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## Signs of the Times: Shining Bible Light on Current Events

The Lord has wrought many blessed judgments in the world this week which can be seen plainly by any who have been given eyes to see, ears to hear, and a heart to understand by the gracious hand of God. **“Son of man, thou dwellest in the midst of a rebellious house, which have eyes to see, and see not; they have ears to hear, and hear not: for they are a rebellious house.” (Ezekiel 12:2)** This entire world is a rebellious house! Therefore, the Lord, the God of Israel, is punishing the people of it! Let’s view some of this week’s judgments from the proper perspective:

Continuing with this month’s theme of discontentment and sin, also known as “Pride Month,” the LGBTQIA++ movement is latching onto the events in the civil rights era to adopt them as their own battles for rights in the 50s and 60s. Their reasoning is, that during the Stonewall Riot, as well as other similar events that are said to have spawned the movement for gay rights, many of the individuals in attendance were black or of other ethnicities. With the current events related to the Black Lives Matter movement, the alphabet soup coalition is seeking to include their perversion and froward acts as part of the civil rights issues at stake. No race, skin tone, nationality, or ethnicity is sinful. However, anything besides one man and one woman matched in life-long marriage is. This has led to an update in their symbol, the “rainbow banner,” to include additional colors representing a more inclusive spectrum. **“The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil. Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished. By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil. When a man’s ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him. ... Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall. ... There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death. ... A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends. A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way that is not good. He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things: moving his lips he bringeth evil to pass.” (Proverbs 16:4-7, 18, 25, 28-30)** Lots of good stuff packed into that one chapter of Proverbs which will give you a lot of good correction and direction.

Meanwhile, this week, the Saharan Dust Cloud has made its way to the United States. This cloud of dust from the Sahara Desert occurs every year, however, this year it is especially large and is causing air quality to decrease. As it covered parts of the south-eastern U.S. and Caribbean area, the cloud reduced visibility sharply by its haze and made the air poor for breathing. It is estimated that 800 million metric tons of dust are carried from the Sahara every year. It works to fertilize the earth in parts of South America, as well as gather in the beaches of the Caribbean. What a powerful display of God’s power and dominion over this world. **“The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.” (Psalm 19:1-3)** All the happenings of nature in this world are testaments of God’s infinite power and wisdom. The phenomenon itself is an utterance of God’s power, and it is manifest to all people across all languages.

Finally, the Coronavirus pandemic is approaching 10 million confirmed cases worldwide. Half of those who have contracted it have recovered while 500,000 have died due to its effects. This outpouring of God’s wrath has not yet finished its course. Despite this, several states in the U.S. have begun to relax their quarantine restrictions leading to a rise in the number of newly confirmed cases. **“Who is among you that feareth the LORD, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the name of the LORD, and stay upon his God. Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compass yourselves about with sparks: walk in the light of your fire, and in the sparks that ye have kindled. This shall ye have of mine hand; ye shall lie down in sorrow.” (Isaiah 50:10-11)** The Lord has established this virus. Instead of using this time given to you to give thanks unto Him, you continue to rebel and try to force the matter to be resolved. It will be resolved when the Lord sees fit to remove it.

Woe to you who have hardened your hearts against the Lord and His word. The destruction of this world is imminent; you must believe on Christ, repent of your sins, and seek the Lord with humility. **“For Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation: they shall drive out Ashdod at the noon day, and Ekron shall be rooted up. Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea coast, the nation of the Cherethites! the word of the LORD is against you; O Canaan, the land of the Philistines, I will even destroy thee, that there shall be no inhabitant.” (Zephaniah 2:4-5)**

**Repent or Perish!**