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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:

The Lord has wrought a litany of judgements this week, including the furthering of the Coronavirus which has spread to over 100 countries, with 433 cases and 19 confirmed deaths in the U.S. alone. Was the great physician sleeping while these people died? Of course not! The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil. (Pr 16:4) He knows every inch of these mortal frames, how to undo and how to repair them, just as he is the same God who has created all things for himself. And yet, every day the people of this wicked generation attempt to steal his sovereignty by attributing these judgements to another (mother nature, fate, destiny, etc.). Little do they know that God will not share the glory, and he will not be mocked. I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images. (Isa 42:8) Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. (Ga 6:7) The Lord also showed his wrath to Tennessee early Tuesday morning with a tornado that claimed the lives of 25 people. Our president stopped by on Friday with the same tired platitudes and claims of solidarity and love. What he should have done was warn those people to mourn and repent for their sins in humility. But how can he when he himself is steeped in sin? Even as they mock God, do they mock sin – "Fools make a mock at sin: but among the righteous there is favour." (Pr 14:9)

The issue of vagrancy has surged lately in what some are calling a homelessness crisis in the country, and heavily in California, where over 50% of the United States homeless population resides. There are full encampments of homeless in some of the state's suburbs, such as East Oakland where as many as 4,000 can be found banded together and living on the streets. California's government is busy pouring money into the issue in the form of shelters and affordable housing, in effect treating the symptoms of the issue rather than its roots. These include the general greed of landlords and renters, drunkenness and drug addiction, mental illness (unclean spirits or devils.) Heed the scripture "[Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither] thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God." (1Cor 6:9-10) To those who've let they're family fall into these dire situations, they must heed this somber warning: "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." (1Titus 5:8)

Also on Tuesday was the voting of thirteen states in the U.S. democratic primaries in what's known as Super Tuesday; the results being that the field of democratic candidates has now narrowed down to two: former vice president Joe Biden and senator Bernie Sanders. It is safe to say, judging by their political platforms and personal history, that neither of these two has an honest thought of God between them. As this nation puts a pass on an ever increasing catalogue of sins, it is only natural that her representatives will become baser to match them. After this thing Jeroboam returned not from his evil way, but made again of the lowest of the people priests of the high places: whosoever would, he consecrated him, and he became one of the priests of the high places. And this thing became sin unto the house of Jeroboam, even to cut it off, and to destroy it from off the face of the earth. (1Ki 13:33-34)

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!**