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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:

After the chaos that ensued last Wednesday, January 6th, at the U.S. Capitol building in Washington D.C., which you can read about in last week’s news release at www.GodHatesFags.com/newsreleases, a great amount of turmoil and unrest permeated various offices and industries around the country. Firearm sales, which were at record highs throughout 2020, continued to break records as people across the country fear further civil unrest in the coming weeks around the inauguration of President-elect Biden. The FBI has opened a large-scale investigation across the country tracking down individuals who have been identified at the Capitol Riots. The House of Representatives took immediate action this week voting for President Trump’s 2nd impeachment on January 13th. It is unclear when the Senate will begin the impeachment trial given they will not reconvene until January 19th, just a day before the inauguration of President-elect Biden. Additionally, plans began to form for similar riots to occur at capitols across the nation starting January 17th. Due to these call-to-actions, local law enforcement agencies in each state are preparing for these potential armed protests in all 50 states. On Monday, President Trump issued an emergency declaration for law enforcement aide through January 24th. Is it any wonder that these things would occur in a nation that has strove violently against the commandments of their Creator? **“Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty: but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbour. Thou shalt not go up and down as a talebearer among thy people: neither shalt thou stand against the blood of thy neighbour: I am the LORD. Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him. Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I am the LORD.” (Leviticus 19:15-18)**

The people of the United States have risen up with violence and hatred against God’s people and have despised His Word. **“And the LORD God of their fathers sent to them by his messengers, rising up betimes, and sending; because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place: But they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till there was no remedy. Therefore he brought upon them the king of the Chaldees, who slew their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary, and had no compassion upon young man or maiden, old man, or him that stooped for age: he gave them all into his hand.” (2 Chronicles 36:15-17)** Like the Lord smote the Israelites with the Chaldees, the Lord has caused this nation to be thrust into the throngs of confusion and left to scramble in darkness for having turned from the light of God’s statutes. **“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)**

“Hear ye, and give ear; be not proud: for the LORD hath spoken. Give glory to the LORD your God, before he cause darkness, and before your feet stumble upon the dark mountains, and, while ye look for light, he turn it into the shadow of death, and make it gross darkness.” (Jeremiah 13:15-16).

Meanwhile, the Lord does not withhold His mighty hand. Nearly a dozen earthquakes averaging 5.5 in magnitude struck Indonesia and the surrounding islands this week triggering landslides. Over 600 were injured and over 42 killed by the largest, 6.2 magnitude earthquake early Friday morning. Also, don’t forget the surge of COVID-19 cases that struck the U.S. after the holidays. Tuesday set another record at 4,406 people dying from the virus. The seven-day average for deaths rose from 2,600 to nearly 3,300 per day. Hospitals continue to be overrun after January 8th’s record of over 300,000 new cases in a single day. This week has continued to average nearly 230,000 new cases in the U.S. per day. **“Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not be afraid? shall there be evil in a city, and the LORD hath not done it?” (Amos 3:6)**

Repent or Perish!