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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.

There is no peace for the people of this world when they have made God their enemy. **“The fear of the LORD prolongeth days: but the years of the wicked shall be shortened. The hope of the righteous shall be gladness: but the expectation of the wicked shall perish. The way of the LORD is strength to the upright: but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.”** (Proverbs 10:26-28) **“Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.”** (James 4:4) Continuing from last week’s timely news release, which you are much obliged to go back and read, the death of a 16-year-old protestor in Iran has restoked the rebellion. The young woman is suspected of having been beaten to death similar to the original catalyst of this uprising, while authorities claim she fell from a roof. Regardless of the facts on either side, this whole matter is bereft of godliness. Although true there is no precedence in God’s law for woman to be covered entirely in public or to hold a position which is lesser than men outside of the blessed union of marriage when it comes to tending to Godly matters, the standard is modesty and absolutely no cutting of the hair! **“Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ. Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered them to you. But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God. Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonoureth his head. But every woman that prayeth or prophesieth with her head uncovered dishonoureth her head: for that is even all one as if she were shaven. For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: but if it be a shame for a woman to be shorn or shaven, let her be covered. ... For this cause ought the woman to have power on her head because of the angels. Nevertheless neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman without the man, in the Lord. For as the woman is of the man, even so is the man also by the woman; but all things of God. Judge in yourselves: is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered? Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him? But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering. But if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God.”** (1 Corinthians 11:1-16)

Furthermore, Ian left destruction in its wake with insurance payouts estimated to reach upwards of \$80 billion making it the second most expensive natural disaster in the United States on record. The death toll continues to rise as well from suicides and victims of drowning. Over 100,000 in Puerto Rico still have no power after hurricane Fiona a couple weeks ago, and the entire island-country of Cuba, with 11 million residents, lost power during Ian’s storm. Meanwhile, while President Biden is pardoning all minor marijuana convictions out of one side of his mouth, he is proclaiming Armageddon as Russia steps up its invasion in Ukraine and makes threats of nuclear war out of the other. Mr. President, this is only the beginning! Other matters of despair around the world include the murder of 38 people, including at least 24 children at a Thailand daycare center, 2 were killed and 6 injured by stabbing in Las Vegas by a man claiming that he just “let the anger out,” and a police vehicle struck a crowd of pedestrians in New York while attempting to maneuver around traffic on duty, and was struck by another vehicle which sent it onto the sidewalk sending 10 to the hospital. This chaos and destruction is but a microcosm of God’s wrath to come on this world. This world’s destruction is imminent, so repent now before it is too late.

## **Fear God and Obey!**