

To the Servants of the Most High God at Topeka, Kansas  
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God Hated Esau and The Sale of Your Birthright

I have two topics to cover today, the first is an update on the Coronavirus and the second is related to God's hatred of Esau and the sale of one's birthright.



I was standing outside a local church the other day and their electronic marquee had several messages including “*Hope, Peace and Joy*” and “*God Loves All – No Exceptions.*” I was thinking that the Lord of Hosts, JEHOVAH has a funny way of displaying the sentiments on their marquee this year. It does not feel like either of these messages is true. It certainly does not feel like a time of hope, peace and joy. I am positive they put this message up as a part of their holiday frenzy celebration – but it rings particularly hollow this year. The unrestrained, condign wrath of God [*of punishment or retribution appropriate to the crime or wrongdoing – fitted and deserved*] continues to pour out from the Most High God without mixture upon the inhabitants of this earth and this country.

Rev. 14:9 *And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, 10 **The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: 11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name. 12 Here is the patience of the saints: **here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.*****

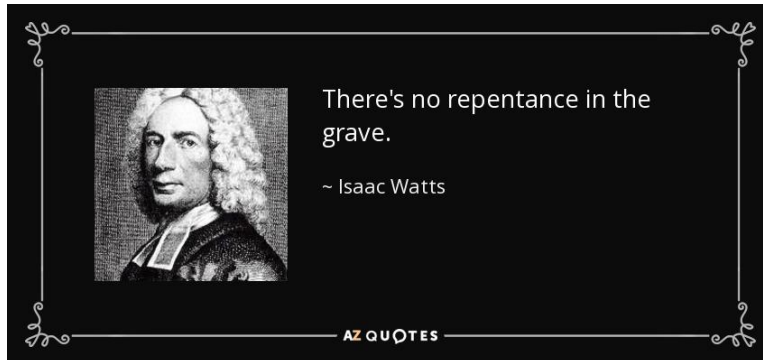


The saints of God are those genuinely interested in keeping the commandments of God in sincerity by Christ in them, and by the faith of Jesus Christ, not of our works, but of Him that called us. The plague this world is experiencing day in and day out is of God and of Jesus Christ. Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ said at Luke 22:69 that He (Christ Jesus, the Son) shall *sit on the right hand of the Power of God* and *all things are delivered unto me* (Christ) (Mat. 11:27 and Luke 10:11). This pandemic is rightfully referred to as a worldwide plague of the Lord Jesus Christ! The faux Christian is loath to admit this. Each

sermon I have preached since March of this year, I have reported on the state of the global plague and each time I preach, it gets worse! In April, I preached and the record for the first wave of U.S. daily infections for COVID-19 was 43,000. In July I preached and the record for the second wave was 76,000 daily infections. I preached on November 8, 2020, and the new record for U.S. daily infections was 132,700. On December 11, 2020, the U.S. set a new record of 280,514 new infections in a single day according to the *New York Times*. On December 16, 2020, the U.S. set a new record of 3,448 deaths in a single day per [www.covidtracking.com](http://www.covidtracking.com).

The numbers are astonishing. We thought 43,000 new infections a day in April was astronomical! On April 1, 2020, the U.S. had a total of 9,400 deaths. The U.S. now has had more than 325,000 deaths due to COVID-19 since January of this year. The global number of deaths is more than 1.8 million souls and total infections is more than 80,000,000. These are people that were living and breathing on January 1, 2020, and who are not living and breathing today. The stories of families affected by COVID-19 are far reaching and for many traumatic. For all of the talk of “flattening the curve” we never did. Most of those who died did so without the benefit of a loved one nearby and without even being allowed to say goodbye to them. This plague of God Almighty, seemingly kills indiscriminately. It kills Jews and Catholics, Muslims, and Hindus. It kills Lutherans and Presbyterians,

Universalists and Southern Baptists. It kills Mormons and Episcopalians, Buddhists and Jehovah Witnesses. It kills Methodists and Pentecostals, Congregationalists and Orthodox. It kills Sikhs and Satanists, agnostics and atheists. We are thankful to the Sovereign God that reigns in heaven that we serve, that He has not yet afflicted us with a death in this place or even a serious illness, though we deserve it.



And despite all this death, there is no repentance on the landscape. We hear a lot of excited words and emotions from the sorrowful loved ones of those killed, but it has not translated into repentance. Rev. 9:20 ***And the rest of the***

***men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk: 21 Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.***

Oh, to find this spirit: Isaiah 38: 16 *O Lord, by these things men live, and in all these things is the life of my spirit: so wilt thou recover me, and make me to live. 17 Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back. 18 For the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth (no repentance in the grave). 19 The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I do this day: the father to the children shall make known thy truth. 20 The LORD was ready to save me: therefore we will sing my songs to the stringed instruments all the days of our life in the house of the LORD.*

# 'The beginning of the end': First shipment of COVID vaccines will arrive Monday, says Operation Warp Speed leader

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The world refuses to acknowledge God and the Lord Jesus Christ as the primary cause of the pandemic and have set their hopes on the vaccines as the cure, and give the glory of it all to the flesh. Jeremiah 17:5 *Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.* In mid-December the publication, *Taegan Goddard's Political Wire* published the deadliest days in American history (single events). Keep in mind that per the CDC, about 7,700 people die a day on average in the U.S. (500,000 annually) and 150,000 die a day in the world (55,000,000 annually).

## The Deadliest Days In American History

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Here are some of the deadliest days in American history:

1. Galveston Hurricane – 8,000
2. Battle of Antietam – 3,675
3. Battle of Gettysburg – 3,155
4. September 11 – 2,977
5. Last Thursday – 2,879
6. Last Wednesday – 2,804
7. Last Friday – 2,607
8. Last Tuesday – 2,597
9. Pearl Harbor – 2,403

Here is the updated chart\* (U.S. Daily Deaths – The COVID Tracking Project)

**Last updated: 12/24/2020**

No.	Event	U.S. Daily Deaths
1.	Galveston Hurricane (Aug. 27, 1900)	8,000
2.	Battle of Antietam – Civil War (Sept. 17, 1862)	3,675
3.	<b>Dec. 16, 2020</b>	<b>3,448*</b>
4.	<b>Dec. 17, 2020</b>	<b>3,438*</b>
5.	<b>Dec. 23, 2020</b>	<b>3,379*</b>
6.	<b>Dec. 9, 2020</b>	<b>3,206*</b>
7.	<b>Dec. 22, 2020</b>	<b>3,166*</b>
8.	Battle of Gettysburg (July 2, 1863)	3,155

9.	Dec. 10, 2020	3,115*
10.	9/11/2001 Attack	2,977
11.	Dec. 15, 2020	2,971*
12.	Dec. 24, 2020	2,938*
13.	Dec. 3, 2020	2,825*
14.	Dec. 2, 2020	2,804*
15.	May 7, 2020	2,752*
16.	Dec. 11, 2020	2,749*
17.	Dec. 19, 2020	2,704*
18.	April 29, 2020	2,685*
19.	Dec. 8, 2020	2,661*
20.	Dec. 4, 2020	2,573*
21.	Dec. 1, 2020	2,506*
22.	Dec. 5, 2020	2,480*
23.	Dec. 12, 2020	2,477*
24.	Pearl Harbor	2,403

\* The COVID Tracking Project – 7-Day Average Line

*Jer. 50:25 The LORD hath opened his armoury, and hath brought forth the weapons of his indignation: for this is the work of the Lord GOD of hosts in the land of the Chaldeans.*

God Almighty, the Consuming Fire, the Jealous God (Deut. 4:24), has a never-ending armory (storehouse and treasury) of weaponry to wage war and win. His armory includes offensive and defensive weapons. These weapons are instruments of His wrath and vengeance. His armory is so vast that His enemies cannot even imagine what His weapons are. It is hard to fight a war, when you do not understand the capability of your opponent. *Hab. 3:3 God came from Teman, and the Holy One from mount Paran. Selah. His glory covered the heavens, and the earth was full of His praise. 4 And His brightness was as the light; He had horns coming out of His hand: and there was the hiding of His power. 5 Before Him went the pestilence, and burning coals went forth at His feet. 6 He stood, and measured the earth: He beheld, and drove asunder the nations; and the everlasting mountains were scattered, the perpetual hills did bow: His ways are everlasting.*

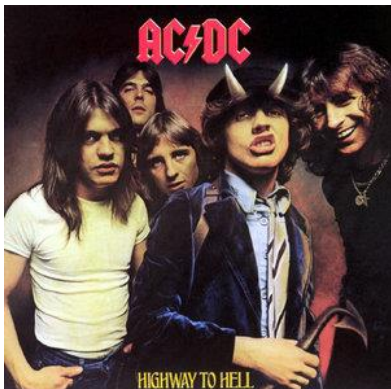


Second, I want to read you a little from Robert Haldane's Exposition of Romans regarding Romans 9:13 and thereafter. I told you in my sermon on July 7, 2019, that Haldane said this:

*The human mind if ever prone to soften the strong features of Divine Truth, and to bring them more into accord with its own (wicked) wishes and preconceived notions.*



This world is chuck full of rebels who are on the broad way to hell, who enter in through the wide gate and who are on the highway to hell. Mat. 7:13 (Luke 13:24) *Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction* (Strongs #684 – utter destruction – the destruction which consists of



eternal misery in hell), *and many there be which go in thereat: 14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.* The inconvenient truth is that all humanity is born on the highway to hell. In 1979 the Australian rock band AC/DC published the Album and title song *Highway to Hell*. It was co-authored by their lead singer and front man Bon Scott. Here are the lyrics:

Livin' easy - Lovin' free - Season ticket on a one way ride  
Askin' nothin' - Leave me be - Takin' everything in my stride  
Don't need reason - Don't need rhyme - Ain't nothin' I'd rather do  
Goin' down - Party time - My friends are gonna be there too, yeah  
I'm on the highway to hell- On the highway to hell - Highway to hell  
No stop signs - Speed limit - Nobody's gonna slow me down  
Like a wheel - Gonna spin it - Nobody's gonna mess me around  
Hey Satan - Payin' my dues - Playin' in a rocking band  
Hey mamma - Look at me - I'm on my way to the Promised Land, ow  
I'm on the highway to hell - Highway to hell - I'm on the highway to hell - don't stop me

The song totally mocked God. Bon Scott had a reputation as a huge partier. Six months after the song came out Bon Scott was partying at a London night club. He was so drunk his friends help put him a car to sober up. He died in that car. He was 33 years old. He arrived at his destination exactly like he announced.

The people of this world universally reject the notion that God hates. They desperately want to qualify the Bible. They want to qualify our signs that say God hates. We will not! They despise Romans 9:13 *As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated. 14 What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? God forbid. 15 For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.*

Robert Haldane was a Scottish preacher that lived from 1764 to 1842. His *Exposition of Romans* is extremely well done. I do not believe I have ever found a single sentence that I quarrel with. There may be one, but I don't remember it.

Robert Haldane: **Nothing can more clearly manifest the strong opposition of the human mind to the doctrine of the Divine Sovereignty, than the violence which human ingenuity has employed to wrest the expression, "Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated."**

Haldane wrote this in his day! I wonder what he would say today! The hatred and violence for this verse runs deep with this country and world.

*In innumerable passages of Scripture, God ascribes to Himself hatred. Men, however, are averse to this. What, then, can be done? The Scriptures must be explained in a forced manner: and while they say that God hates sinners, they are made to say that He does not hate them. Nothing can be more unjustifiable than this method of tampering with and perverting the Word of God, and nothing can be more uncalled for (and God will execute judgment on those who wrest, twist, distort and mispresent His Word! It is a great sin to do this – it is the work of Satan. God takes this personally). Hatred in itself is not sinful. That which is sinful ought to be hated... We must in this, and in all things, submit to God's word, and believe it as it speaks, and not as we would have it speak... God is certainly holy to hate sin, and just, to inflict merited punishment on the sinner, as He is good and merciful, and compassionate to the guilty and the miserable for whom He interposed.*

*...Whenever men wish to have a religion which will be without any rigorous exactions of self-denial and of duty, and without any tendency to excite apprehension and alarm (when you consider the highway to hell), the same predilection must exist for a Supreme Ruler in whose benevolence all other qualities are absorbed and lost. And, accordingly, not only is this partial and unscriptural view of the character of God adopted as the leading principle of certain systems of theology, but it is held and cherished and acted upon by multitudes, whose sole concern in matters of faith is to have not what is true, but what is agreeable, and who find in the tenet we are speaking of, the most soothing and satisfying of all persuasions, that God loves every one of His creatures with such an affection as is depicted in the Gospel. **I warn you against the delusion – so dishonorable to the Holy One, the Everlasting Father – so ruinous to all who have surrendered themselves to its influence – so inconsistent with what you read in the book of inspiration – so destructive of that mystery of godliness and of grace which has been made known to us in Jesus Christ.***

*In the life of Esau, nothing is recorded indicating that he had the fear of God before his eyes, but everything to prove the reverse. The most important transaction recorded concerning him is his profane contempt for God's blessing in selling his birthright, manifesting his unbelief and indifference respecting the promise to Abraham. **The selling of his birthright proved Esau to be an unbelieving, profane,***



*and ungodly man, and the Apostle warns believers not to act according to his example.*

Heb. 12:16 - *Lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright. 17 For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears. Mal 1:3 And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness.*

*The birthright conferred a double inheritance among the Hebrew patriarchs, and likewise pre-eminence, because it was connected with the descent of the Messiah; and they to whom this right belonged were also types of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. Despising the birthright proved that he despised the high distinction respecting the coming of the Messiah, and also the eternal inheritance of which the land of Canaan and the double portion of the firstborn were typical.*

Let me tell you, in no uncertain terms my dearly beloved little children, young and old, do not despise what and where the Lord set the bounds of your habitation and have contempt for this God-blessed land:

**Beware of**  
**selling your**  
**birthright!**

If you were born into this place, or if you like me, came to dwell here among God's people and enjoy the wonderful blessing that fall like rain here - beware of selling

your birthright for a mess of worldly, temporal, pottage (soup)! Beware of losing your way and finding yourself on the broad, highway to hell. Satan is a deceiver (Rev. 20:10). He disguises the highway to hell, as an ordinary way with no discernable hellish features. It is a mirage. You know you are on the highway to hell; when no one really cares about God or the commandments and where everything is on the table for casting away and where there is no accountability. You are on the highway to hell when there is no distinction between good and evil. If you find these things on the path you are on, everlasting hell is within your grasp. De 32:47 *For it is not a vain thing for you; because it is your life: ...*



Remember, 1Pe 5:8 *Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.* Satan is called a roaring lion for his strength, rage, cruelty and cunning. He is always hunting. Satan does not negotiate! He always

seeks the precious life. Lions do not feel sorry, or repent for their kills. They are ruthless. Lions have a strategy for killing. They first stalk their prey by stealthily pursuing them, hopefully without being seen.

**...Never forget, when you hear the progress of enlightenment vaunted, that the devil's best trick is to persuade you that he doesn't exist!**

Satan is the *prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience.* (Eph 2:2). He does exist. He is just out of your sight, but he is there. There is a medieval torture device that optometrists use called a visual

field testing device. You put your head into it and it flashes hardly indistinguishable light flashes and you have to press the button if you see a flash and they can be all over the spectrum of what you can see. They are tiring and relentless. They prove that you have blind spots right in front of you that you can't see. Satan is continually in our blind spot. Lu 22:31 *And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat.*

Lions are calculating hunters. They study their prey and watch it closely, looking for an opportunity to attack. When the attack comes, it comes hard and fast. They pounce on the target or knock it over and then immediately kill it by breaking its neck or clamping their jaws around its throat. They then rip open the stomach and start eating the vital organs. They are the king of the jungle for a reason. Lions do not have a marketing campaign or association that backs their claims – they are simply the largest and most powerful predator and rule other big cats and beasts.

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Let us please keep the ordinance of the Lord's supper. Sam and Jon you would please come up?

Luke: 22:14 And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him. 15 And he said unto them, *With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer: 16 For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God. 17 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide it among yourselves: 18 For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come.*

*19 And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. 20 Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you. 21 ¶ But, behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me is with me on the table. 22 And truly the Son of man goeth, as it was determined: but woe unto that man by whom he is betrayed! 23 And they began to enquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing. 24 And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. 25 And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that*

*exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. 26 But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve.*

Satan pursued Judas Iscariot and then waited to find the perfect time to energize him. The Scripture says he “entered” him.

*John 13:2 And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon’s son, to betray him;*

*John 13:27 And after the sop Satan entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, That thou doest, do quickly.*

*Luke 22:3 Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve.*

Satan was able to enter Judas even though, Judas, unlike almost any person alive at the time – save the other 11 and the disciples of Christ, saw all of the miracles of Christ firsthand. Just contemplate that for a moment. And Christ told him – straight up – that He knew that it was him that had betrayed Him. Why didn’t he repent? What great wickedness was this? No repentance was granted.

On the very night that Jesus was saying goodbye to them and on the very night he was betrayed and, on the night, before he would be murdered and tortured the apostles had a prideful quarrel and squabble over who among them would be the greatest. Whether that was their own pride or Satan stirring up their pride, the Lord knows.

Peter was given exceptional grace. He was with Christ when Christ was transfigured. Christ said at: Mat. 16:18 *That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.* Yet, at a crucial time Haldane says that Satan worked so he would deny Christ thrice. It is never the time for “we got this.” It is always the time to say “I don’t have this” and to call upon the Lord and to keep Him always before our eyes and to humble ourselves under His mighty hand (1 Pet. 5:6)

Re 3:11 *Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man (no one, nobody, not me, not you, none) take thy crown.*

If you sell your birthright you prove that you despise the high distinction respecting the coming of the Messiah, and the eternal inheritance and rest you otherwise would enjoy. Heb 11:6 *But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.* Heb. 6:4 *For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, 5 And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, 6 If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.*

Haldane: *We see him (Esau) also taking women of Canaan as his wives, although he had the example before him of Abraham's concern that Isaac should not marry any of the daughters of that country. In this we observe that he held as lightly the curse denounced against Canaan as he did the blessings promised to Abraham.*

*We next see him deliberately resolved to murder his brother... He turns his back on the habitation of his fathers, and departs forever from the land of promise.*

*It is evident... that the Apostle means to assert that Jacob was counted for one of the spiritual seed, was a child of God, and that Esau, though one of the children of Abraham according to the flesh, was not a child of God, not counted for the seed; and, moreover that it was the election of God, and no merit or demerit of the parties, which made the difference between them. This is not a matter of relations – that is, who you are related to – Esau's grandfather was Abraham, his father was Isaac and his brother was Jacob! This is meaningless and was meaningless to Esau.*

We will continue this next week, Lord willing, and finish this discussion.

I love you all. Amen.