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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:

On Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, a sequence of events began in Israel that led to another military conflict between Israel and the Palestinians in Gaza. It started when an intelligence operation by the Israelis in Gaza was discovered by Hamas fighters. 7 Palestinians and 1 Israeli lieutenant colonel were killed in that clash. As retaliation, over 400 rockets were sent into Israel from Gaza, killing 1 and injuring at least 16. Israel then responded with a series of airstrikes in Gaza that killed 5 and wounded 15. A ceasefire was finally reached Tuesday night. Remember Christ and obey Him. **“Then said Jesus unto him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword.” (Matthew 26:52)** **“But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you.” (Matthew 5:44)**

On Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, comic book writer Stan Lee died at the age of 95. Lee was best known for being the primary creative leader of Marvel Comics for many years and co-creating several world-famous fictional superhero characters. He lived practically as long as a human possibly can and died an enormous cultural icon and influencer worth around \$50-80 million. Neither influence nor wealth departed this world with Lee. **“For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.” (1 Timothy 6:7)** **“Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons.” (Acts 10:34)** Do not live your life for the flesh, surrendering to your vain imaginations that take space in your mind over thoughts of God and how you ought to bring yourself into the obedience of Christ **(2 Corinthians 10:5)**. Every human, including Stan Lee, has a limited number of days on Earth with which to praise, preach, and serve God – or not do those things. So, do those things while you are yet alive. **“For the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth. The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I do this day: the father to the children shall make known thy truth.” (Isaiah 38:18-19)**

On Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, Dalton Glasscock was elected as chairman of the Sedgwick County Republican Party, adding to a wave of homosexual actors and their enablers entering Kansas politics since last week’s midterm elections. Glasscock identifies as a “gay Christian,” which is an oxymoron. Listen to WBC’s sermon of 11/4/18 on the subject at <http://tinyurl.com/WBC20181104MP3>; true Christian grace in one’s heart tends to holy practice, not proud sin. **“[Charity] rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth.” (1 Corinthians 13:6)** In terms of openly gay candidates elected in the Kansas midterms, Sharice Davids was chosen for the U.S. House of Representatives, and both Susan Ruiz and Brandon Woodard were elected to the Kansas House of Representatives. The winner of the state’s gubernatorial race, Laura Kelly, has already vowed to circumvent a state law that allows adoption agencies to not place children with homosexual “parents.” **“For the leaders of this people cause them to err; and they that are led of them are destroyed.” (Isaiah 9:16)** Political candidates such as these inspire many glowing profile pieces in the national media, who glory in their sins. This whitewashing cannot hide a truly despairing situation. **“These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever. For when they speak great swelling words of vanity, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through much wantonness, those that were clean escaped from them who live in error. While they promise them liberty, they themselves are the servants of corruption: for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.” (2 Peter 2:17-19)**

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)**

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