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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:

### **Storm Edition:**

**“Behold, a whirlwind of the LORD is gone forth in fury, even a grievous whirlwind: it shall fall grievously upon the head of the wicked.”** (Jeremiah 23:19) God sent a real whoopin’ to the Midwest this week. Across Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas, an estimated 125 tornadoes were reported, some extremely violent. Continuous heavy rains pounded the same area causing water bodies and surrounding areas to flood. **“Behold, the Lord hath a mighty and strong one, which as a tempest of hail and a destroying storm, as a flood of mighty waters overflowing, shall cast down to the earth with the hand.”** (Isaiah 28:2) At least 7 deaths were reported due to the storms. One of the hardest hit areas was Missouri’s state Capitol of Jefferson City, which was struck overnight by a tornado with winds up to 160 mph and a rating of EF3. This overnight twister was a mile wide, and remained on the ground for a 20 mile stretch leveling homes, and tearing off roofs of homes and businesses below. Damage from the storm stretched for an area over 30 miles.

Earlier this month on May 2<sup>nd</sup> this Church drove about 30 miles around this city to multiple pickets including the Capitol where Missouri legislature attempted to outlaw LGBTQ discrimination, but failed. As you may imagine the message was not received well, and God has repaid them to their face. **“When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you. Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me:”** (Proverbs 1:27-28) Floods of rebels came out to do harm to God’s faithful servants, but failed. Missouri is a state filled with filthy, lawless ruffians that hate God, His Word, and His people, and they reaped what they have sown. **“These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved forever.”** (2 Peter 2:17) **“So persecute them with thy tempest, and make them afraid with thy storm.”** (Psalm 83:15) God’s people are comforted and protected from these storms, as they are sent by Him to punish the wicked and glorify His name. **“As the whirlwind passeth, so is the wicked no more: but the righteous is an everlasting foundation.”** (Proverb 10:25) **“For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall.”** (Isaiah 25:4) **“And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.”** (Isaiah 32:2)

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!**