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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:

This week in Hong Kong, many protesters have remained holed up in the Hong Kong Polytechnic University. On Sunday and Monday, Hong Kong saw some of its most extreme fighting since the protests started about 5 months ago. As the police attempted to enter the campus, the protesters fought back with improvised weaponry. Some protesters fled after breaking past the police lines, and others were detained violently with heavy force causing other protesters to fear leaving the university campus. Your violent tendencies are a good example of the depraved nature of man. **“But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption.” (2 Peter 2:12)** You should not use violence against any man for any reason. **“Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.” (Psalm 37:8)** Who are we to use violence against another man? The Lord God of heaven and earth will judge all men. **“Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.” (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14)**

Early this week, BBC News did an interview with Prince Andrew about his relationship with Jeffrey Epstein. Jeffrey Epstein was a convicted sex offender that was awaiting trial on federal charges for sexually abusing underage girls and running a sex trafficking ring. One of the accusers of Epstein alleged that she was forced into sexual encounters that involved Prince Andrew. Epstein was even invited to the 18th birthday party of Prince Andrew’s daughter even though he had been subject to an arrest warrant for the sexual assault of a minor at the time. **“Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.” (James 1:15)** Although the prince said "Do I regret the fact he has quite obviously conducted himself in a manner unbecoming? Yes.," the prince has shown little to no regret for his actions and has failed to mourn for his sins. We must recognize the evil in our works and repent of our sins. **“Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.” (Acts 8:22)** Fornication and adultery are egregious sins that should always bring great shame and guilt. **“For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.” (1 John 2:16)** So, be thankful to the Lord always for even one more second of life given to these depraved bodies because in death there is no chance for repentance. **“In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.” (1 Thessalonians 5:18)**

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!