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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, after Northern Ireland allowed their current laws on abortion and same-sex marriage to lapse, the country celebrated their continued sprint towards their own destruction and away from God’s standards and Word as abortion became decriminalized and same-sex marriage became legal at midnight on Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. The new legislation requires the Westminster government to have regulations in place for same-sex marriage by January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Couples are required to indicate their decision to marry at least 28 days before doing so which means the first “marriages” to take place will be in February. **“The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil. Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished.” (Proverbs 16:4-5)** A common self-deceit that human beings are predisposed towards is to think that one sin isn’t as bad as another or that someone else has done worse things, so their own sins are fine. One sin is sufficient to send you to hell for eternity. In addition, breaking God’s law in one respect makes you guilty, and therefore due the full judgment, of the entire law. And that judgment is death.

**“If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself, ye do well: But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors. For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all. For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law. So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty. For he shall have judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy; and mercy rejoiceth against judgment.” (James 2:8-13)**

**“And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.” (Romans 1:28-32)**

On Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, a Texas jury came forth with a verdict against a father trying to stop one of his 7-year-old twin sons from transitioning into a female. The father has been divorced from his wife, who now has custody of the two boys. Upon learning his wife was intending to start hormone therapy on one of the two boys who was claiming to identify as female, the father sought custody of the children, but the jury stopped him. Later that day, a judge was charged with reviewing the decision. Judge Kim Cooks rejected the jury’s decisions and ordered the parents to share responsibilities pertaining to the medical decisions of the child. A novel idea. To start with, parents: **“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” (Proverbs 22:6)** For that young disobedient child: **“Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise;) That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth. And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.” (Ephesians 6:1-4)** Also note: **“Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.” (Proverbs 22:15)** It is the duty of the parents to set a standard in the household to follow God’s law and live as Christ. Therefore, when it says: **“from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female.” (Mark 10:6)** and **“They that are of a froward heart [i.e. perverse, such as thinking your birth sex was not determined by God] are abomination to the LORD:” (Proverbs 11:20)** then that should be the expectation you have for your children. Doing otherwise is provoking your children to wrath.

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