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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. Let's view some of this week's judgments from the proper perspective:

The eyes of the world have been on the United States this week as the 2020 Presidential race came to a head on November 3rd, election day. After 5 days of votes being counted across the country, former Vice President Joe Biden was confirmed as the next President Elect of the United States. The expectation from God for those whom He has appointed a position of power stays the same, regardless. This extends beyond the primary position of President, but all subsequent positions down the chain of command, and even the First Lady, as has been seen in the past. They all have influence and the power to make a difference. Like the three Hebrew children at the fiery furnace, we will not be careful in speaking these all-powerful words of our King and being faithful in our worship and service of Him. The Lord appoints each ruler, leader, or master and we are subject to them. The people of this country need to obey their masters, and the master must serve faithfully their office in fear of the Lord God, who is the Master of us all in heaven (*Colossians 4:1*).

President Elect Biden: throughout the ruling of the judges and kings of Israel, you see all the doings of those individuals commonly summarized into a simple ruling. They either "did evil in the sight of the Lord" or they "did that which was right and good in the sight of the Lord." Nothing else will matter, Mr. Biden. The standard will be whether you did or did not follow the laws of your Creator. You will not be remembered for anything else in the sight of God. Like King Solomon who did not ask for riches, wealth, honor, or the life of his enemies, but for wisdom and knowledge, the Lord gave him all those things (*2 Chronicles 1:11-12*). Seek wisdom and understanding from your God, and this nation may just be spared like that great city Nineveh. You would be wise to do like King Josiah, who turned to the Lord and His Word (*2 Kings 22 and 23*), or King Hezekiah who had all the false idols and places of worship destroyed (*2 Chronicles 30:1*). "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man." (*Ecclesiastes 12:13*) Consider these words of wisdom:

"The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the LORD. All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weigheth the spirits. Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established. 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. By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil. When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him. Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without right. A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps. A divine sentence is in the lips of the king: his mouth transgresseth not in judgment. A just weight and balance are the LORD'S: all the weights of the bag are his work. It is an abomination to kings to commit wickedness: for the throne is established by righteousness. Righteous lips are the delight of kings; and they love him that speaketh right. The wrath of a king is as messengers of death: but a wise man will pacify it. In the light of the king's countenance is life; and his favour is as a cloud of the latter rain. How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver! The highway of the upright is to depart from evil: he that keepeth his way preserveth his soul. Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall. Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud. He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso trusteth in the LORD, happy is he." (*Proverbs 16:1-20*)

Meanwhile, with many news outlets focused on the election, the Nagorno-Karabakh war has continued to escalate into an open armed conflict, a suspected terror attack in Vienna killed four, and Hurricane Eta made landfall in Nicaragua as the most powerful tropical cyclone of the season in the Atlantic, and the most powerful hurricane ever to come in November since 1932. Furthermore, the U.S. once again set another record on COVID cases this week with over 100,000 newly reported cases on Wednesday, and over 121,000 on Thursday. The U.S. is now on average double the new cases reported per day over just a month ago. During this election, Nevada overturned an 18-year ban on same-sex marriage, defining marriage to be "between couples regardless of gender." Finally, the people of this nation elected several "firsts." Delaware elected their first openly transgender state senator. Oklahoma elected the first "nonbinary" state legislator. Vermont elected a transgender person to their state legislature and Kansas is poised to follow suite with a transgender state legislator. Making these abominations the new norm does not blot out their sins. As can be seen above, "Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the Lord: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished." (*Proverbs 16:5*) Instead of calling evil good and good evil (*Isaiah 5:20-30*), you are supposed to make sin exceeding sinful (*Romans 7:13*). "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God." (*2 Corinthians 5:20*)

Repent or Perish!