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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 sees the continuation of the contentious trial of Derek Chauvin, the Minneapolis Police Officer accused in the murder of George Floyd. The prosecution, who will finish presenting their case this week, brought forth a string of Minneapolis Police Dept. officials and medical experts to roundly condemn the actions of Chauvin, which were by any objective measure cruel and pitiless, as the direct cause of Mr. Floyd’s death. This may in fact be the case, but seeing as the bar for 2nd degree murder is a high one, the likelihood of conviction is low, though the charges of manslaughter are practically assured. This has not stopped the media and activists from ratcheting up the rhetoric, claiming that Chauvin’s guilt on both counts are a foregone conclusion, and suggesting that any other verdict is a result of America’s inherent racism. There is no faith in God, and there is no faith in the judicial system. **Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right? (Gen. 18:25)** However this case turns out, the divide among race and culture, creed and religion, will only grow deeper.

On Friday, two mighty ones of the earth met their maker: Prince Phillip the Duke of Edinburgh, and Earl Simmons better known by his stage name, DMX. Though by all appearances these men were as dissimilar as they come, they are identical where their eternal souls are concerned. Both men were nominal Christians; both were given great gifts from their creator, either in of skill and intellect, or birth and heritage. Both had great platforms to speak out against sin, and to urge their fellow man to repentance. Both squandered these gifts and opportunities, and both are now answering to their maker for these deeds of the body. **Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed: And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine. His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed: Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury. Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath. cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. (Matt. 25:24-30)**

Another major shooting transpired this past week: former NFL player Phillip Adams killed six, as well as himself a day later, in Rock Hill South Carolina. This is the third to take place in just this past month, the others being the Atlanta massage parlor and Boulder grocery store shootings. It is safe to say that there is not a citizen alive who is any longer surprised by such events, least of all your faithful servants here at WBC who have been crying God’s promises toward a stiff-necked and rebellious nation these past many years: **Shall I not visit them for these things? saith the LORD: shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this? (Jer. 9:9)** Yea, they have chosen their own ways, and their soul delighteth in their abominations. **(Isa. 66:3)** Cries of “gun control” and “mental health reform” came from their usual corners, with God’s name only being mentioned in the wishing of thoughts and prayers. Hear ye the rod America. Gun control won’t stay the sword; mental health reform won’t stop the delusions God sends you. The command is this: repent or likewise perish. **I also will choose their delusions, and will bring their fears upon them; because when I called, none did answer; when I spake, they did not hear: but they did evil before mine eyes, and chose that in which I delighted not. (Isa. 66:3-4)**

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!