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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:

Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup> the United States bowed to the idol of Veteran’s Day and the world at large bowed to Armistice Day. Armistice Day marks the end of the bloody conflict known as World War I. Veteran’s Day coincides with Armistice Day because the United States expanded their celebration over spilling blood to include worshipping all veterans, not just those associated with World War I. What folly and shame! These days are not used as a memorial to steer clear of the sins committed through bloody conflict, but instead to prop up those who would brazenly ignore the commandments of their God to engage in warfare. Look here for a sampling of what the Lord requires of you and the consequences of disobedience: **“Thou shalt not kill.” (Exodus 20:13) “For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God.” (Exodus 34:14) “And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.” (Deuteronomy 6:5) “Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.” (Philippians 3:19)** All of the military might the world can muster is of no consequence or use compared to the strength of the Lord, God of Eternity. **“There is no king saved by the multitude of an host: a mighty man is not delivered by much strength. An horse is a vain thing for safety: neither shall he deliver any by his great strength.” (Psalm 33:16,17) “The horse is prepared against the day of battle: but safety is of the LORD.” (Proverbs 21:31) “He delighteth not in the strength of the horse: he taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man. The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy.” (Psalm 147:10,11)** Why would any man or country spend one second honoring the might of man when it is nothing? **“Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.” (James 4:14)** The answer is plain within Scripture: **“Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, and changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.” (Romans 1:21-23)** Your veterans have been made into an idol – you have placed them above God in your hearts and have been given over to believe that this is good and right. God hates your veterans and your Veteran’s Day idolatry. This nation cannot expect blessings to come from God if she continues to serve only her lusts. The Lord would not hear the cries of His people Israel while they were steeped in sin, how much less will He hear a rebellious nation who He has never called His own. **“And Israel was greatly impoverished because of the Midianites; and the children of Israel cried unto the LORD. And it came to pass, when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD because of the Midianites, That the LORD sent a prophet unto the children of Israel, which said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I brought you up from Egypt, and brought you forth out of the house of bondage; And I delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all that oppressed you, and drave them out from before you, and gave you their land; And I said unto you, I am the LORD your God; fear not the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but ye have not obeyed my voice.” (Judges 6:6-10)** Look around! This nation (and world) is falling apart at the seams. Peace has been removed from off the land and open violence is the expected norm! Does that sound like the blessings of God? Instead of beating your chest in pride of your open defiance to your Creator, pray for a broken heart and contrite spirit and for deliverance from His wrath which is sure to come. **“The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.” (Psalm 34:18) “Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.” (1 Peter 5:5)**

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!