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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.

Russia continues its assault on Ukraine. Now appearing to have taken the port city of Mariupol, Russia’s goal of controlling the eastern, and southern part of Ukraine seems to be closing in. Russia now controls the land corridor connecting annexed Crimea to Russia, as well as access to the black sea. With attacks on Odesa in southern Ukraine beginning, Russia seems to be achieving its goals. Meanwhile, the latest “woke” cause in America is the war in Ukraine. With help from the lying U.S. media, and politicians, most Americans are right on board with the popular opinion. However, though war is a terrible thing with much pain, and suffering, almost no one has any real insight into the matter, and certainly don’t see it from a Bible perspective. God did it! Because of Ukraine’s sins, God caused Putin to attack. **“The king’s heart is in the hand of the LORD, as the rivers of water: he turneth it whithersoever he will.” (Proverbs 21:1)** Instead of kicking against their God-ordained oppressor, Ukraine ought to humble themselves, and repent.

Also, this war seems to have shaken the usual order of interactions between countries of the world. With some countries siding with Ukraine, and others not, political relations are being stirred, while friendly relations between nations may prove to be a façade. The Lord intended the war in Ukraine and all its effects and will achieve His purpose while all other hopes and ambitions are irrelevant. God’s people stand in awe of His work in this world. **“And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.” (Haggai 2:7)**

Wildfires continue to blaze in Arizona, and New Mexico covering 174 square miles. Over five hundred homes are covered under the evacuation order. These fires are noticeably different as they are coming earlier than usual which has officials and residents concerned. One resident said, "As a community, as a whole, everybody is just pulling together to support each other and just take care of the things we need to now. And then at that point, it's in God's hands,". While all this seems good, it’s likely that this person is severely short sighted on the God part of the comment. If you truly believe something is “in God’s hands”, then you must believe that He did it, and He is your only help when faced with affliction. That behavior would warrant turning away from your sins, turning to God, and obeying Him which is your only remedy when faced with disaster. **“And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.” (Revelation 18.4)**

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!