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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:

Trey Louis, a 21-year-old survivor of the 2018 school shooting in Santa Fe, Texas recounted his hardship while auditioning for the singing competition “American Idol”. In his audition he sang of being lost and having a hardened heart, ultimately leaving judges Lionel Richie and Katy Perry in tears. Sobbing into her hands, Katy Perry proclaimed, “our country has [explicative] failed us.” Murder, in any form, including school shootings, is a sin and punishable by death as ordained by God Almighty: **“He that smiteth a man, so that he die, shall be surely put to death.” (Exodus 21:12)**. The same God that pronounced the death penalty for murder, pronounced it for homosexuality: **“If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them.” (Leviticus 20:13)**. Ms. Perry, if you can “kiss a girl and like it” – an action God has ordained punishable by death – and ensure the whole world knows about it, then you are the one holding the door open for the school shooters. If you teach that any of God’s commandments can be disobeyed, you teach that they all can be disobeyed whether you are inclined to that sin or not. You are reaping the reward of your own doings. **“O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the Lord. Behold, as the clay is in the potter’s hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel. At what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck up, and to pull down, and to destroy it; If that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turn from their evil, I will repent of the evil that I thought to do unto them. And at what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to build and to plant it; If it do evil in my sight, that it obey not my voice, then I will repent of the good, wherewith I said I would benefit them. ... Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I frame evil against you, and devise a device against you: return ye now every one from his evil way, and make your ways and your doings good. And they said, There is no hope: but we will walk after our own devices, and we will every one do the imagination of his evil heart... Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity...I will shew them the back, and not the face, in the day of their calamity.” (Jeremiah 18:6-17)**. Similarly, Maryland mayor Patrick Wojahn was arrested this week on 56 child pornography charges. Wojahn is as self-described ‘buddy’ and mentee of openly gay Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg. Wojahn has visited the Whitehouse on multiple occasions including to promote and celebrate the LGBTQ agenda. Your leaders have declared with one voice that they will only walk after the imagination of their evil hearts continually. The Lord is showing you His back in your calamity all the while you still vaunt yourself of your vanity. The fruit of the American tree is rotten because the tree itself is rotten. Guns are not your problem; morality is your problem. Repent, it may be that the Lord will still hear you.

Trey, you will find no peace, solace, or hope on that stage. Your heart is hard by nature not hardship. **“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?” (Jeremiah 17:9)**. There is one and only one who holds power over peace – the Prince of Peace – Christ Jesus. If peace has been withdrawn from you, He has done it. Those idols will not save you - Christ is your only hope. **“Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.” (John 14:6)**. The grief that you bear is the one and only thing this flesh has to offer: **“It is better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting: for that is the end of all men; and the living will lay it to his heart. Sorrow is better than laughter: for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made better. The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning; but the heart of fools is in the house of mirth.” (Ecclesiastes 7:2-4)**, **“For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away:” (1st Peter 1:24)**. Get off that stage and get to the Lord. Repent, the day of the Lord is at hand.

“Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded. Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness.

Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.” (James 4:8 - 10)