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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.

For the first time in 70 years, a new monarch of the United Kingdom was crowned. After the passing of Queen Elizabeth II on September 8th, 2022, her eldest son, Charles, was named king. At the age of 74, Charles III was coronated on Saturday, May 6. This date was chosen, in part, to allow for sufficient mourning of Queen Elizabeth II. The event commands an approximate \$125 million sum from taxpayers during current economic struggles. At the start of the coronation, all members of the public are asked to swear allegiance to King Charles III, a new addition to the procedure as previous coronations only made this requisite of aristocrats in attendance at the ceremony. Afterwards, the king had his robe removed and he sat on a wooden chair by the altar. At this point, the archbishop of Canterbury anointed the king with oil made from olives harvested from the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem using a 12th-century spoon... and on and on. If you take any time to read about the entire process leading up to, during, and after this charade, you will be inundated with the very definition of pomp and vanity. What a waste of time and resources! Absolutely no humility, sincerity, or sobriety amongst the entire group. During Charles’ first spoken part of the ceremony, he claimed he would follow the example of the “king of kings.” Charles – you have already failed to follow the example of the True King of kings when you divorced your wife so many years ago! What folly! In the month prior to the coronation, the Church of England established a *Book of Daily Prayers* to be used by individuals and churches in reverence of the new monarchs. Complete idolatry. **“Thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches: But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the LORD.” (Jeremiah 9:23-24)**

Even though protesters lined the streets, holding signs saying, “Not Our King,” while intermingling with the fanfare, they do it with selfish and ungodly motives. In typical worldly fashion, they hold these signs due to their inordinate affection for Queen Elizabeth II or for their desire to have the monarchy removed altogether. Any followers of Christ would be inclined to hold such a message, but for the proclamation of God’s Sovereignty. He, the Lord Jesus Christ, is our King.

“O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph. For the LORD most high is terrible; he is a great King over all the earth. He shall subdue the people under us, and the nations under our feet. He shall choose our inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob whom he loved. Selah. God is gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises: sing praises unto our King, sing praises. For God is the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding. God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness. The princes of the people are gathered together, even the people of the God of Abraham: for the shields of the earth belong unto God: he is greatly exalted.” (Psalm 47)

Despite the role of the monarchy being greatly diminished in modern times, the royal family of the United Kingdom still holds much power and sway in the affairs of state and wields influence over its people. By upholding false doctrines and leaving the teachings of Christ in the formation of your own church, you have made way for your father the devil to take refuge. For that, your country is doomed, and the blood of these people will be on your hands.

“When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand. Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.” (Ezekiel 3:18-19)