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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:

Back in March of 2019 you might recall that the United Methodist church held a vote on whether to uphold their statements on homosexuality, same-sex marriage, and ordination of LGBTQ persons found in their “book of discipline.” Brief pause here so you can absorb how farcical that is - **Though hand join in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished: but the seed of the righteous shall be delivered (Pr 11:21.)** In a tally of 438 to 384, the outcome went in favor of preserving the church’s anti LGBTQ stance. Whew! Close one beloved; God’s will was almost subverted by democratic vote, but of course I jest. There are so many things wrong with this, first and foremost is the rotten foundation of a “United Methodist Denomination” featuring hundreds of churches linked together by such things as the “Book of Discipline” and the like. There is no way to enact meaningful discipline in setups like this or the Catholic Church, as these churches found out here to their woe. **And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty (2Co 6:15-18.)** At the same time that this vote was passed, a “disaffiliation plan” was also put into place, allowing congregations a smooth exit from the United Methodist Church for “reasons of conscience” regarding God’s wholly unalterable condemnation of homosexuality and those who commit it. As of July 2023, this plan has helped more than 6,000 U.S. congregations – roughly 20% of all United Methodist congregations – to disaffiliate, with roughly 4,000 of those coming from 2023 alone; nothing short of a mass exodus. Unsurprisingly, though the vote in 2019 was decidedly against Sodomite clergymen and the consecration of same-sex unions, most Methodist churches in the U.S. already given over to such Godless practices just ignored the ruling. And since church leadership refused to enforce the ruling with excommunication, the 2019 vote amounted to absolutely nothing. The congregations departing therefore were those against Same-Sex-Marriage! **Shall I not visit for these things? saith the LORD: shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this? A wonderful and horrible thing is committed in the land; The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people love to have it so: and what will ye do in the end thereof (Jer 5:29-31?)** And where are all these churches going to? Well some are simply starting their own Methodist denominations. **How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorers delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge (Pr 1:22?)** The standard for the New Testament church of God is clear; and these massive united denominations that cannot properly police their bodies do not fit the mold! **Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump? Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth (1Co 5:6-8.)**

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!