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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. Let's view some of this week's judgments from the proper perspective:

On Tuesday, Israel killed Hezbollah commander Fuad Shukr in a strike on Beirut, Lebanon. Early Wednesday morning, Hamas political leader Ismail Haniyeh was killed in Tehran, Iran. While Israel has not claimed responsibility for the assassination of Haniyeh, one would think that if Israel was interested in preventing a full scale regional war they would at least deny the allegations against them. The truth is that Israel is not interested in preventing regional war, they want the land (*Isaiah 11:13-16*). And while 144,000 Jews will repent (Shearjashub) and be recovered from their bone-dry state of spiritual death (Ezekiel 37), at this moment they fail to perceive the hand of God leading them into the snare that *He has appointed* for them to walk into to their own destruction (Mahershalalhashbaz)! Consider the scripture:

*Will a lion roar in the forest, when he hath no prey? will a young lion cry out of his den, if he have taken nothing? Can a bird fall in a snare upon the earth, where no gin is for him? shall one take up a snare from the earth, and have taken nothing at all? (Amos 3:4-5)*

God has laid the snare and will not take it up until the bird is caught! And all the while a strange thing is happening in faux Christendom. When false Christians are not choking on a perceived misuse of their *wanton idolatry* (see last week's Signs of the Times), they find time to make an idol of these vicious, murderous Jews! The basis for this nonsensical folly is that "they are God's chosen people", and this is true, but they do not consider how God *views* His chosen people, or how He has *dealt* with His chosen people. From the very same passage of Amos 3, consider the scripture!

*Hear this word that the LORD hath spoken against you, O children of Israel, against the whole family which I brought up from the land of Egypt, saying, You only have I known of all the families of the earth: therefore I will punish you for all your iniquities. Can two walk together, except they be agreed? (Amos 3:1-3)*

They are living in open rebellion against God! They reject the Messiah to this day and have **not** proclaimed *blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord* and so their house is left to them desolate (*Luke 13:35*)! They commit every manner of abomination that the original inhabitants of the land committed when God sent the Jews to take the land in the first place (Jeremiah 7:8-10)! They continually resort to their own filthy rags and arms of flesh for bases for their righteousness or reject God outright to pursue their lusts unbridled (*Malachi 2:17*). Being a Jew does not equal salvation, or some special holiness, or *exemption* from the wrath of God falling out on them if the Jew in question is a child of disobedience. That God Almighty has preserved them as a people for thousands of years is a testament to *His* faithfulness, not their faithfulness or Jewy prowess! All of the evidence suggests that God hates that nexus of rebellion that is modern day Israel (*Isaiah 59*).

*Cease ye from man, whose breath is in his nostrils: for wherein is he to be accounted of? (Isaiah 2:22)*

Stop worshipping humans!

Meanwhile, it is difficult to gaze upon the American landscape and not be awe-struck by the complex social, economic, and political systems that have been constructed to perpetuate sin, self-worship, and self-righteousness, as well as by the network of humans busy at work perpetrating it like bees constructing a honeycomb of excrement, or dwarves mining vast catacombs of gargantuan, fecal mountains. Truly *[t]he wicked walk on every side, when the vilest men are exalted (Psalm 12:8)*.

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!