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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:

It’s no secret that for many years there has been a slow but unwavering shift toward secularization of institutions that aforetime, if not de facto, then de jure recognized God as Creator and Sovereign. Slowly but surely, government, media, universities and schools, corporate America, etc., have been trending toward the expungement of God and true religion from their midst. Often it’s the places of learning that are given over first in their pursuit of **science falsely so called (1Ti 6:20)**, where it develops until it can infect the mainstream, be plastered all over the media, and eventually incorporated into law. It’s impressive to see how it seeps into even the most mundane, and it’s here I come to my anecdotal proof text for the preamble: the corporate harassment training; a mandatory CYA annual program that businesses administer to discourage inappropriate behavior in the workplace. Two decades ago, this training would be under fifteen minutes and could be summed up in these two Biblical passages: **“Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.” (Eph 4:29)** And of course the Golden Rule: **“Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.” (Mt 7:12)** Not so today; the same training would likely run you over four times as long and preach instead, shockingly, of “the inadequacy of the golden rule. More is required of us in this day and age – we need *empathy* to not merely consider what we would want done to us, but what our peers would want done to them and be so accommodating.” First off, imagine the gall it takes to claim that the counsel of Christ to be inferior to man’s wisdom, tantamount to saying He is insufficient for the needs of his people. **And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. (2Co 12:9)** And of course the reason for this change which to some might seem a subtle distinction, is to leave the door open for sin and to prop up Man’s wisdom, e.g. you as a female may prefer to be called Ms., but your co-worker of the same sex might prefer the title of Mr. The wisdom of man demands you grant them this honorific in the name of tolerance and human dignity. Poppycock. **Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, and changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. (Ro 1:22)** It’s just another attempt of man’s to chip away at the sovereignty and power and authority of God. **But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this man to reign over us. (Lu 19:14)**

Much else happened this week: tariffs, aircraft crashes, Middle East drama. It is of course all according to God’s will, and for which His people shout their thanksgiving. **That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right? (Ge 18:25)**

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!