

Judgments of God Are Upon This Nation

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Greetings, brethren! Welcome to Sabbath services! This past month has really been a month of record great evil things transpiring. Two in particular are going to affect this nation and also the people of God, because of what has transpired.

We've had a lot of storms and troubles and difficulties all year. Then we had the Supreme Court approve ObamaCare for the second time. Then, stunningly, against everything that this nation has stood for and against everything in the Word of God, the Supreme Court by a 5-4 decision approved same-sex marriage. This has come upon the nation because of the:

- sins of the leadership
- sins of the religion leaders
- sins of the political leaders
- sins of the people in the general population

Let's see who is to blame. Let's understand something: God is Judge of all nations. He says the earth and the fullness thereof is His. He also knows the thoughts of men and women. We will see that it is the thoughts of men and women, the thoughts of the leaders and how a nation comes down in judgment before God, because of sin.

These are the words of God, because all the way through Ezekiel it says, just like it does in Ezekiel 22:17: "And the Word of the LORD came to me, saying..." So, you want to know what God thinks of the overall situation. Let's first of all look at who is to blame. Many times we look at the wrong person to blame.

Verse 18: "Son of man, the house of Israel..." The modern-day Israel today as well, because there is a dual fulfillment in all of these prophecies. As well as there being cycles of sin and destruction and judgment, because of the nature of man, Satan the devil and the demons, and men wanting to follow Satan and try and force that upon God that He should accept it.

"...has become dross to Me. All of them *are* bronze, and tin, and iron, and lead, in the middle of the furnace; they are even the dross of silver" (v 18). [talking about the political process] ...Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, 'Because you have all become dross... [the majority of the citizens] ...behold, therefore I will gather you into the middle of Jerusalem.'" (vs 18-19). Jerusalem is a type of all Israel, the house of Israel and the house of Judah.

Verse 21: "And I will gather you and blow on you with the fire of My wrath, and you shall be melted in the midst of it."

We are facing more judgments from God. As I have said before, they will come like waves one after the other. That's what we have seen for this last month. The two major things are:

1. same-sex marriage
2. abortion

I've said these things before, but we need to understand the degree of the evil. With this exposé with abortion, God has given a chance of repentance, but are the people willing to repent? Those of us in the Church of God have got to think about ourselves and our attitudes and our relationship with God as these things come along.

"...and you shall know that I the LORD have poured out My fury upon you." And the Word of the LORD came to me, saying, 'Son of man, say to her, "You *are* a land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation'" (vs 22-24).

Yes, just like God has said. Out here in California, we have a four-year drought. Back in the Midwest and the East they have an abundance of rain and storms. Crime and wretchedness fills this nation. Notice who is to blame first. As I read this, I want you to think about how that in the United States we have more Bibles than any other nation in the world and we claim to have brought God into our governmental structure through:

- the Declaration of Independence
- the Constitution
- the amendments

Whenever you bring God into what you are doing, if you go back on your word, and you sin against God, you will be judged, whether

- a person
- a family
- a community
- a state
- a province
- a nation

God judges the nations, as well as knowing the heart of man.

Verse 25: "There is a conspiracy of her prophets in her midst, like a roaring lion tearing the prey. They have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made many widows in her midst. Her priests have done violence to My Law and have profaned My Holy things. They have put no difference between the Holy and the profane, and have not taught the difference between the unclean and the clean, and they have hidden their

eyes from My Sabbaths, and I am profaned among them” (vs 25-26). Who is to blame? *All the religious leaders* that teach and preach that the Laws of God have been done away. That creates the atmosphere and the platform for lawlessness. Then sin upon sin comes. Then we reach a point where there is no redemption, except captivity by God.

So, all the Sunday-keeping preachers, it doesn't matter how nice you may appear. You hate the Holy seventh-day Sabbath of God and His Holy Days. ***You love your*** Sunday, Christmas, Easter, New Years, Lent, and all of those satanic, demonic occult holidays. ***You have preached a false Christ. You have twisted and misinterpreted the words of God to the people. You have set the foundation for these ungodly judgments and set the foundation for God's vengeance and indignation against us!***

Verse 27: “Her rulers... [all the political leaders] ...in her midst *are* like wolves tearing the prey, to shed blood and to destroy souls, to get unjust gain.” Isn't it interesting how if you really want to get wealthy, you become a politician? Look at them: *lying, rich, and enveloped in all their sins.* The rulers, you have done it.

Verse 28: “And her prophets have covered themselves *with* whitewash, seeing false visions and divining lies unto them, **saying, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD,’ when the LORD has not spoken.**”

All you have to do is just turn on your television Sunday morning see it, go to any Sunday-keeping church. Why is Christianity failing? We have an article on that: *Why is Christianity Failing in America?* Also the book: *America and Britain.*

- Who are they in prophesy?
- How do they fit into the end-time?
- Why have they ruled the world for the last 500 years?
- What did God have to do with them?

They say, God has said, when He hasn't spoken! God did speak about Sunday-keeping, that's Baal worship! God did speak about the holidays of this world, which *He says He hates.* Yet, that's how the world makes its money. Isn't that true? *Yes, indeed!* Let's think about these things.

Verse 29: “The people of the land have used oppression and committed robbery, and they have troubled the poor and needy. Yea, *they* have oppressed the stranger wrongfully.” Another prophecy says ‘the stranger within your gates shall get up high above you.’

- Is that not happening?
- Are we not there right now?
- Isn't that what is occurring?

Look at:

- the adultery
- fornication
- homosexuality
- lying
- cheating
- stealing
- drugs
- the entertainment industry
- the educational system
- the governmental system
- the people in general

all are to blame!

What happens when they vote in men who are evil? That's what we did with the last two elections. What happens? Those who said they would fix it are not fixing it, because they are not returning to God. The truth of all of this is, brethren, ***man separated from God does not know how to live and rule himself!*** God made us to need:

1. His laws
2. His Spirit

So, if you keep some of His laws, and you don't have God's Holy Spirit—and He doesn't give it to anybody just ‘willy-nilly’—you don't know how to live. You don't understand what is right and wrong. That's where it is with this nation.

Let's see how that this applies to our nation today, Psalm 12:1: “Help, O LORD, for the Godly man ceases...” What did Jesus say about what He would find when He returns? ‘*When the Son of man comes, shall He find the true faith on the earth?*’ The answer is: *very little!*

“...for the faithful disappear from among the children of men” (v 1). Those who said they believe in God; those who had some moral ethics, where are they today? They're of little consequence whatsoever, because first of all they left off teaching about God. They said... and this is the most ridiculous thing that can be.

Sidebar: on those who say that the Law has been abolished: Jesus Himself said—first person—‘Do not think (that is, ***don't let it enter into your mind***) that I have come to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy, but to fulfill.’ That doesn't mean to fulfill to eliminate them. That means to bring them to this fullest spiritual standard. He also said, ‘Heaven and earth shall pass away, but one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the Law until all has been fulfilled.’

If you go into the Kingdom of God and into eternity, *it is always there!* Yet, people because of their own lust and their own unwillingness to yield to God, to believe Him, to follow the Word of God, have fallen for these arguments.

Matthew 28:18: “And Jesus came *and* spoke to them, saying, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.’” The pope ought to read that. The pope has no authority from God; he is serving ‘the god of this world.’ We’ll have a little more to say about that in the next sermon. That means Peter could not, Paul could not, none of the apostles could ever do it to change the Law, to remove the laws and commandments of God. That’s why the faithful have disappeared.

Psalms 12:2: “They speak falsehood each one with his neighbor; with flattering lips and a double heart they speak.” Yes, lying and cheating, scheming and murdering, kidnapping and abortion to no end.

Since they reject God, here is what they say, v 4: “Who have said, ‘With our tongue we shall prevail...’—and will do what we want and usher in a utopia for mankind. Every utopia that men have dreamed of has ended up in destruction, because they cannot do it, because they leave out God.

“...our lips are our own; who is lord over us?” (v 4). ‘We have freedom, we will do it and we will be good.’ But look at the evil they are devising. They don’t have a clue as to how human nature really is, ‘evil above all things and desperately wicked.’

Notice what happens then, v 5: “For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy... [God hears; Christ is returning; the Kingdom of God is coming] ...I will now arise,’ says the LORD. ‘I will set him in safety from *him who puffs at him.*”

If there’s any one thing we need today, brethren, is the protection of God and His angels! So, you claim the promises of Psalms 91 every single day.

Compared to the way the world is, v 6: “The words of the LORD are pure words, like silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. You shall keep them, O LORD; You shall preserve them from this generation forever. The wicked walk on every side when vileness is exalted among the sons of men” (vs 6-8.) The vilest thing that brings the worst judgment is *same-sex marriage and abortion*.

We will see that there were only three times in history when same-sex marriage was brought about. This tells you what God did about it. ***This is why we know that the judgments of God are coming!*** We’ve already experienced some of them. There are going to be some that are going to be worse than what we have already experienced. That’s why we need to understand

- why these things are coming
- how they’re coming about

- how we need to stay close to God

Luke 17:26: “Now, as it was in the days of Noah, so also shall it be in the days of the Son of man... [when He is coming] ...They were eating, they were drinking, they were marrying, they were being given in marriage, until the day *that* Noah went into the ark, and the Flood came and destroyed *them* all. And it was the same way in the days of Lot; they were eating, they were drinking, they were buying, they were selling, they were planting, they were building; But on the day *that* Lot went out from Sodom, it rained fire and sulfur from heaven and destroyed *them* all. This is how it shall be in the day *that* the Son of man is revealed” (vs 26-30).

- What did God call Jerusalem? (Rev. 11) Which, in this case, applies to the whole world? *Sodom and Egypt!*
- Did God destroy Sodom? *Yes, He did!*
- Did He destroy Egypt to get rid of the Egyptians and bring the house of Israel out from under the bondage? *Yes, He did!*
- How bad was it before the Flood? *It was so bad God was even sorry He made man, because ‘every thought of the imagination of his heart was only evil continually!’*

That filled the whole earth with violence and corruption!

- Is that the way it is today? *Yes, indeed!*

We can extrapolate from these Scriptures, they had same-sex marriage before the Flood. They had same-sex marriage in Sodom.

- What did God do in His judgment? *His wrath came in unmeasured amount!*
- Don’t you think flooding the whole earth ought to tell us something?
- This destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah?
- *Yes, indeed, it should!*
- How many will really listen? *In the world, some will try, but they won’t succeed!*

Let’s look at the greatest king that ruled: Solomon. You couldn’t have a better start than Solomon had. We want to go there so we can see what happens when the decline and fall takes place. We can see how God administers correction and judgment. God doesn’t come down here to personally do it.

You know Solomon? Yes, you read about it. God spoke to him twice, very pleased, richest man, wisest man. Then Solomon went off the deep end and he had 300 concubines and 700 wives. When he got older his wives led him astray. Instead of putting them away, as he should have, he became embroiled in worshiping the gods of the Ammonites and the Hittites and Moloch and Baal and offering incense to them. But he didn’t listen to God.

1-Kings 11:9: “And the LORD *was* angry with Solomon because his heart was turned from the LORD God of Israel Who had appeared to him twice And had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods; and he did not keep that which the LORD commanded” (vs 9-10).

Think about this in relationship to the politicians today, to the religionists today, to those who say that they are Christian. By the way, brethren, God’s judgment is coming upon them and He is going to strip away everything from them, because He will not allow His name to be associated with lawlessness.

Verse 11: “And the LORD said to Solomon... [he was warned] ... ‘Since this has been done by you, and since you have not kept My covenant and My statutes which I have commanded you, I will surely tear the kingdom from you and will give it to your servant. But I will not do it in your days, for David your father’s sake, *but* I will tear it out of the hand of your son. Only, I will not tear away all the kingdom, *but* I will give one tribe to your son for David My servant’s sake, and for Jerusalem’s sake which I have chosen’” (vs 11-13).

How did God stir up judgment? *Verse 14 tells us He uses human beings*, and as we know with the book of Job, *Satan the devil* and, as we will see later on, *demons* to correct and to punish, because God says, ‘All right, since you reject Me and you want evil, you will have it to its fullest.’ Concerning the nation and Solomon, I want you to think about what it is today with the modern tribes of Israel, as well.

Verse 14: “And it came to pass the LORD stirred up an adversary against Solomon, Hadad the Edomite. He *was* of the king’s seed in Edom.” Brethren, the same thing is going on in the Middle East today.

- Are they an adversary against us?
- Do they hate us with an implacable hatred?

Look at all the shootings and killings that are going on in the name of Allah: evil and satanic, but that’s what the people have chosen—is it not? Have they chosen the laws of God? The Truth of God? *No! They have chosen their own way!* Then it tells how Hadad fled away when David was chasing him. He went into Egypt. Does that sound a little familiar? *Yes, indeed!*

Verse 18: “And they arose out of Midian and came to Paran. And *they* took men with them out of Paran and they came to Egypt, to Pharaoh king of Egypt, who gave him a house and appointed food for him and gave him land. And Hadad found great favor in the sight of Pharaoh...” (vs 18-19). Even gave him a wife.

When Hadad heard in Egypt that David died and that Joab the commander of the Army was dead, then Hadad said to Pharaoh, v 21: “... ‘Let me depart so that I may go to my own land.’” What did he do? *He came and he was a terrorist against the kingdom of Solomon!*

Then was raised up, v 23: “And God stirred up *another* adversary, Rezon the son of Eliadah, who fled from his lord Hadadezer king of Zobah. And he gathered men to himself and became head over a marauding band after the slaughter by David. And they went to Damascus and dwelt there and reigned in Damascus. Now, he was an adversary to Israel all the days of Solomon...” (vs 23-25). Solomon had all those times and things and places to repent, but he didn’t repent—just like our nation today, exactly the same thing.

We have a lawless President, with a lawless Supreme Court, with a lawless Congress, with a lawless population! So, we have many adversaries: killing, looting, stealing and drugging from high levels of finance to the lowest level of the smallest person in the land who is hooked on drugs. ***All because of leaving God!***

We’re living in days very similar to Jeremiah’s days. This is why, brethren, we need to have the mindset of Jeremiah. Jeremiah started out when he was probably 15 or 16. He told God, ‘I can’t speak.’ Then God says, ‘You’re going to have to go speak to them and speak of My judgments.’ Here’s what He told Jeremiah. This is what we need to do today with the Word of God.

Jeremiah 1:16: “And I will pronounce My judgments against them... [it was forty years that he prophesied] ...regarding all their wickedness in that they have forsaken Me, and burning incense to other gods, and worshiping the works of their own hands.” If that is not the sin of us today! *Yes, indeed!*

Verse 17: “You, therefore, must gird up your loins, and arise, and speak to them all that I command you. Do not be dismayed at their faces, lest I confound you before them. For, behold, I have made you a fortified city this day, and an iron pillar, and bronze walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against its rulers, against its priests, and against the people of the land” (vs 17-18).

Just like God said: *Everyone from the greatest to the least of them are responsible for the sins that they are committing* and cumulative coming up before God. God’s judgments are going to come.

The first message was from Jeremiah to the people was, ‘God says, What fault did you find in Me? I gave you a beautiful land, a beautiful inheritance. I fed you to the full. You have wonderful places to live. I put My temple and

tabernacle right in the midst of you so I could dwell among you. But you left Me and you forsook Me and you went after the gods of Baal.’

Jeremiah 2:8: “The priests did not say...” Again I want you to notice that *the blame falls on those who are supposed to be the representatives of God* to the people.

Sidebar: A little recent history. What happened to the largest Church of God in the history of the world? They went the way of Solomon and *God has destroyed it* because of sin and corruption.

Verse 8: “The priests did not say, “Where is the LORD?” And they who handle the law did not know Me; the rulers also rebelled against Me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal and walked after things that do not profit. Therefore, I will contend with you,’ says the LORD, ‘and against your children’s children I will contend” (vs 8-9).

Now we are at that point. God offers them a way to repent. He tells them how they should come back to Him. He’s willing to do it. But none will repent! None will come back!

- they have rejected God
- they set up their own religion
- they set up their own ways

Jeremiah 3:21: “A voice was heard upon the high places weeping and supplications of the children of Israel; for they have perverted their way, and they have forgotten the LORD their God.”

Yet, today the Word of God sits in their houses, is in their churches, is in their pews, but they won’t read it. They won’t believe it. Yes, they’ve perverted their way and they have forgotten the Lord their God. So, God says to return. Remember, God always honors Godly repentance:

Verse 22: “Return, O backsliding children, and I will heal your backslidings. ‘Behold we come to You; for You are the Lord our God... [oh yes, they profess it] ...Truly, in vain is salvation hoped for from the high hills, from the multitude of mountains. Truly, in the LORD our God is the salvation of Israel” (vs 22-23). So, there’s a chance that some will repent.

That’s why, brethren, we have today Church at Home {churchathome.org}. *Church at Home is going to help, serve and feed people:*

- to find God
- to know God
- to repent
- to be baptized
- to be converted
- to be saved from this untoward generation

—because the churches are worthless and the ministers are worthless. *But those who turn to God, there will be a place for them!*

Here is how it has to come, Jeremiah 4:1: “**If** you will return, O Israel,’ says the LORD, **Return to Me...**” Not to your old Protestantism, not to your old Catholicism, *return to God, return to His Word, return to His way*, not your way.

“...And **if** you will put away your abominations out of My sight, **then** you shall not be removed. And will swear, ‘As the LORD lives,’ in truth, in judgment, and righteousness; then the nations shall bless themselves in Him, and in Him they shall glory” (vs 1-2).

But they didn’t do it. They did not repent! They refused to repent! It was absolutely just a miserable thing. It was so bad, so bad, that Jeremiah couldn’t find *one* man.

Think about this nation today and think about the world today. Think about all the problems and all the upheavals. I want you to understand something very profound. I’ve said this before, but it’s got to sink in deeply: *All of the problems we have today are spiritual problems, commandment breaking, ignoring God, refusing to obey!* Therefore, *political solutions will not work! Unless there is repentance, political solutions will not work!* We have become so sinful against God. We have

- corrupt leaders
- corrupt judges
- corrupt at every level

The few who try to do well or to do right are ridiculed. God is going to have to deal with the individual. So, what we need to do is *take this message of Jeremiah and apply it to us today in the end-time, because we’re the children of Israel and God has the message to the house of Israel and to the house of Judah!*

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Jer. 5 is quite a chapter. It tells about the house of Israel and the house of Judah. God is more than fair. Look at what He says in spite of all of their sins. Because one man could make a difference if he would really help the people.

Jeremiah 5:1: “Run to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in her open places, if you can find a man, if there is one who does justice, who seeks the Truth; and I will pardon her.” *One!*

Brethren, I want you to understand how important it is for the Churches of God to stick to the Truth. We are going to see that we headed for a great, great deal of trouble.

Verse 2: “‘And though they say, ‘As the LORD lives’; surely they swear falsely.’ O LORD, *are* not Your eyes on the Truth? You have stricken them, but they have not grieved...” (vs 2-3). That’s exactly where we are today with this nation. How many more things do we need to be stricken with?

“...You have destroyed them, but they have refused to receive correction; they have made their faces harder than rock; they have refused to return” (v 3). Truly a foolish people! *Yes, indeed!*

Verse 7: “How shall I pardon you for this? Your children have forsaken Me, and have sworn by them that are not gods. When I had fed them to the full, then they committed adultery, and gathered themselves by troops in a harlot’s house”—sex, entertainment, music, wine, drugs and all of that. Any kind of sex is good; free sex is good, oh, yes! *No! God says it is evil!*

God says, v 8: “‘They were *like* lusty, well-fed stallions in the morning; every one neighing after his neighbor’s wife. Shall I not punish for these *things?*’ says the LORD. ‘And shall not My soul be avenged on such a nation as this? Go up upon her walls and destroy; but do not make a full end; take away her branches, for they *are* not the LORD’S. For the house of Israel and the house of Judah have dealt very deceitfully against Me,’ says the LORD. They have lied against the LORD and said, ‘*It is* not He; neither shall evil come on us; nor shall we see sword nor famine’” (vs 8-12).

But all of those things are coming. Why is that? What we’re doing, we’re reading and coming up to one of the final judgments against God in Jerusalem, because Jeremiah preached this for forty years. But did they listen? *No!*

Jeremiah 6:10: “To whom shall I speak, and give warning, that they may hear? Behold, their ears *are* not circumcised, and they cannot hear. Behold, the Word of the LORD is to them a reproach; they have no delight in it.”

How do you think it would go over if you went up to someone at Christmas time and told them, ‘What you’re doing is evil.’ You’d probably be arrested for harassment.

Here’s why, v 13: “For everyone... [not just some, not just most] ...from the least of them even to the greatest of them is greedy for gain; and from the prophet even unto the priest everyone deals falsely.” Yes, they have the Word of God, but they lie, misinterpret.

Verse 14: “They have also healed the hurt of the daughter of My people slightly, saying, ‘Peace, peace,’ when *there is* no peace. Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination?....” (vs 14-

15). What is same-sex marriage and same-sex practices? *Abominations!*

“‘...No, they were not at all ashamed, nor could they blush; therefore they shall fall among those who fall. At the time *that* I punish them, they shall be cast down,’ says the LORD” (v 15).

He gives them another chance of repentance, v 16: “Thus says the LORD, ‘Stand in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths where the good way is and walk in it, and you shall find rest for your souls. But they said, “We will not walk *in it.*”.... [No, indeed!] ...Also I set watchmen over you, *saying*, “Hearken to the sound of the ram’s horn.” But they said, “We will not hearken.”’” (vs 16-17). We’ve had:

- financial warnings
- educational warnings
- governmental warnings
- security warnings
- terror warnings
- war warnings
- droughts
- floods
- destruction
- tornadoes
- hurricanes
- yes, we will build it up again
- yes, we will lower the taxes
- yes, we will do this and that and the other thing

But none of them say, ‘*Return to God!* Return to the old paths! Return to what is right!’

Verse 18: “Therefore, hear, you nations... [house of Israel, house of Judah] ...and know, O congregation... [that’s us] ...what *will happen* to them.... [I want you to notice how he starts this out]: ...**Hear, O earth**...” (vs 18-19). When God says the heavens and the earth, that’s telling you He means business!

- the highest priority of God, keeping His Word, is swearing by Himself
- the next priority is that He calls heaven and earth against us
- the next priority is the earth

Verse 19: “Hear, O earth; behold, I will bring evil on this people...” By other people: terrorists, drug dealers, liars, cheats, thieves, because we refuse to keep the way of God.

“...even the fruit of their thoughts...” (v 19). That’s a lot! Not just their actions, their thoughts. Is that not what God judged the people on before the Flood? What do you think He’s going to judge the Church on? *Our thoughts and our works!*

- How are we doing?
- How are we overcoming?
- How are we yielding to God?
- Do we truly love God with all our heart and mind and soul and being?

Yes, we want our sins forgiven through the crucifixion and death of Jesus Christ, and His shed blood, but are willing to stand for the Truth, even if we lose our lives for Christ? *We're coming to it; we're coming closer every day!*

"...even the fruit of their thoughts because they have not hearkened to My words, not to My law, but have rejected it" (v 19). You can read all the other chapters here. This is really something. Forty years Jeremiah was speaking to them. Remember what God said about the Christmas tree? (Jer. 10) *Yes, indeed!*

Let's see what Jeremiah had to do. This is as direct a warning as you can get, Jeremiah 19:1: "Thus says the LORD, 'Go and get a potter's earthen jar, and *assemble some* of the elders of the people and of the **elders** of the **priests**'"—the two responsible for teaching and leading the people.

Verse 2: "And go out to the valley of the son of Hinnom by the entry of Potsherd Gate. And there declare the words that I shall tell you. And say, 'Hear the Word of the LORD, O kings of Judah, and people of Jerusalem. Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, "Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, which shall cause the ears of him who hears it to tingle"' (vs 2-3). That's the message that has to go to the world today. ***They must know the judgments of God are coming!***

Verse 4: "Because they have forsaken Me, and have profaned this place and have burned incense in it to other gods whom neither they nor their fathers have known, nor the kings of Judah, and have filled this place with the blood of innocents."

What is the blood innocents? *Abortion!* Only they had post-birth abortion in sacrifice to Moloch. Think about it: Since 1973 there have been close to 60-million abortions here in America alone and perhaps close to 100-million worldwide. Maybe even more. *Only God knows!*

Did you see the clips of the interview with the director of Planned Parenthood as she was eating her salad and drinking her wine, and talking to those whom she thought were representing a company seeking to buy the body parts of those poor, little innocent children that they aborted?

She talked nonchalantly about saving a heart, saving a liver. 'Oh, yes, the head is an important thing, too.' Yes, and they sold them! 'Oh, but we did it for a good purpose.' God created that

baby for a better purpose and its heart and its lungs and its head and its mind and its limbs were special for that baby *that God formed and created*. Think about it.

This has been going on for years. Think of how they try and justify it, but Planned Parenthood, if you looked very closely at the emblem that they have, it is in fact a broken uterus because they kill and destroy, because the women do not want to quit having sexual relations. And the men, as we read, are like stallions well fed. Yes, the entertainment, the music, the drugs, the sex, all of this together.

- God sees!
- God knows!
- God understands!

God hears the cries of those poor innocents as they rip them apart to abort them from the safety of their mother's womb. Don't you think God is going to visit that exposé? I am convinced God led those people to do this, to find it, to catch them in their sins and their lies, to see: **What will we do as a people?** Will that cause them to repent and return to God? *No! No way!* They want their entertainment. They want their sex. They want their drugs. If they're not into that, then they want all of their Sabbath-breaking activities, all of their occult holiday-activities.

- they *despise* the Sabbath
- they *despise* God's Holy Days and Passover
- they *despise* God

—and stand there and shove their fist up in God's face and ***He is going to strip them naked and destroy and kill them with judgments that are going to be awe-striking!***

That is the most evil and abominable thing that could happen *to merchandise the body parts of the innocent abortion victims!* Even Adolph Hitler did not do that. Look at what God did to them and the German people. Think on that!

Verse 5: "They have also built the high places of Baal to burn their sons with fire *for burnt offerings to Baal...*"

Wasn't that a wonderful sacrilegious service? We see it right here in the western hemisphere, too, right in Central America. The native people that were there, the Mayas and the Aztecs were Satan-worshippers and offered their children and offered others. Satan desires death and blood and wretchedness. What did God do to them? ***Destroyed them!*** What do you think God is going to do to us?

God says, "'...which I never commanded nor spoke, nor did *it* come into My mind. Therefore, behold, the days come,' says the LORD, 'that this

place shall no more be called Tophet, nor the valley of the son of Hinnom, but, The Valley of Slaughter. And I will make the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem come to nothing in this place, and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hands of those who seek their lives. And I will give their dead bodies to be food for the birds of the heavens, and for the beasts of the earth. And I will make this city a waste and a hissing. Everyone who passes by shall be astonished and shall hiss because of all its plagues” (vs 5-8).

What do you suppose God is going to do to us as a nation? as a people? *He is going to strip everything bare, from the Christianity of this world, because of their lies!* Forty-one percent of the women who have abortions say they are Christian. If you think we have difficult times now, *just wait! The cliffs of disaster are a very treacherous precipice over which this nation will fall!* They “...shall be astonished and shall hiss because of all its plagues.”

Verse 9: “And I will cause them to eat the flesh of their *own* sons and the flesh of their *own* daughters, and they shall each one eat the flesh of his friend in the siege and distress, with which their enemies and those who seek their lives shall afflict them.”

- yes, we can and will be invaded
- yes, it is going to desperate and evil

Does the world hate us now? *Yes, indeed!* With an implacable hatred! Who is the bloodiest enemy of all? *Our relatives:* Edomites, Esauites, Amalek, Ishmaelites, and poor Jews in Jerusalem and in Palestine, called Israel. It’s going to be astonishing.

Verse 10: “Then you shall break the jar before the eyes of the men who go with you, And shall say to them, “Thus says LORD of hosts, ‘Even so I will break this people and this city, as *one* breaks a potter’s vessel that cannot be made whole again. And they shall bury *them* in Tophet until there is no place *left* to bury. I will do this to this place,’ says the LORD, ‘and to its people, and make this city as Tophet. And the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of Judah, shall be as defiled as the place of Tophet because of all the houses on whose roofs they have burned incense to all the host of the heavens, and have poured out drink offerings to other gods’”” (vs 10-13).

God did it! Historical fact! So, do not say it will not come here, because, ***lo, it is coming! God’s judgment is coming and it is coming soon!***

Verse 14: “Then Jeremiah came from Tophet, where the LORD has sent him to prophesy. And he stood in the court of the LORD’S house, and

said to all the people, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, “Behold, I will bring upon this city and upon all its towns all the evil that I have spoken against it because they have hardened their necks so that they might not hear My words’”” (vs 14-15).

How hard-hearted can you get than to sit and discuss over a meal and sipping of wine the selling of the body parts of the aborted babies? Think on that! It’s an opportunity to repent. Will they? Who knows?

Now let’s talk a little bit about same-sex marriage. That infamous decision came down on June 26, a day in infamy. Because of this decision all Christians are going to be facing very difficult times. ***Nothing will be the same from that day forward!***

It’s very interesting, as you will see in the letter (July), that June 26, 2015, happened to be the 9th day of the 4th month on the sacred Calculated Hebrew Calendar. Let’s see what happened on that day in Jerusalem, because God said He would do it. Who did He say He would send to do it? ***Nebuchadnezzar!***

What did God say of Nebuchadnezzar, as compared to the people of Judah and Jerusalem? ‘Nebuchadnezzar, My servant.’ Remember, Zedekiah sent for a secret meeting with Jeremiah. Jeremiah told him what was going to happen. Jeremiah said, ‘God is going to destroy this city, but if you will go out and surrender to Nebuchadnezzar, God will spare the city and this place.’ But Hezekiah did not. We will see what happened to him.

Jeremiah 39:1: “And it came to pass when Jerusalem was taken, in the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon and all his army came against Jerusalem. And they besieged it. In the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, the ninth day of the month, a breach was made into the city. And all the rulers of the king of Babylon came in and sat in the Middle Gate...” (vs 1-3). All of the generals, all the important men came in.

Zedekiah was not willing to surrender. But he got some of his men and they were going to escape. They tried to escape by night. The moral of the story is: ***When God tells you something, you cannot run away from God!*** So, he was captured by the Babylonian soldiers, the Chaldeans. He was brought face-to-face with Nebuchadnezzar. Nebuchadnezzar killed Hezekiah’s sons and gouged out the eyes of Zedekiah and sent him in chains to Babylon. That’s what happened to him.

Notice, this month. The 9th day of the 4th month. In our time that was June 26, 2015. Granted,

the enemy has not conquered us, as it is here, but **this is a warning to us that the Constitution is going to be destroyed!**

Let's talk a little about what's happened in Oklahoma City. They had the Ten Commandments, just like the ones that were approved by the Supreme Court that were in Texas, right there. Oklahoma is perhaps the most Protestant of all, the most religious claiming on God and Jesus and all of this.

The Supreme Court of Oklahoma ruled 7-2 that that should not be there. Right in front of it is the goat-statue to Satan the devil. What does this tell us? *This tells us God is going to strip Protestantism of everything!*

This day that they voted 5-4 for same-sex marriage on the 9th day of the 4th month has signaled the destruction of Christianity in this nation, the orthodox Christianity. The Protestant church will disappear with hardly a whimper. Here's what Mike Huckabee said of this ruling: "The legalization of same-sex marriage will lead to the criminalization of Christianity." They're already busy doing it.

Governor Bobby Jindal said, "This decision will pave for the way for an all-out assault against religious freedom rights of Christians."

Governor Scott Walker said, "The only alternative left for the American people is to support an amendment to the U.S. Constitution."

I want to tell you something very important. You can see why you cannot solve this by political means. **Unless there is a mass repentance**—and I've already given a sermon calling on the whole nation to repent. I'm going to reinforce that and say, yes, that's the only thing that will happen. They are setting out to come against all Christianity with an implacable hatred. It's coming!

Here's what Rod Dreher of the American Conservative Movement has said: "We have to accept that we are really living in a culturally post-Christian nation. The fundamental norms Christianity has long been able to depend on no longer exist. There will be no popular widespread resistance to this decision."

You will see their plans for what they are going to do to Christians. Now then, we also need to look at the condition of the Churches of God. There needs to be repentance there. Let's see what God tells the Church. We cannot go as we have always been.

- we must be more *diligent*
- we must be more *zealous*
- we must be *yielding to God* in every way *asking God for*
- His love

- His Truth
- His grace
- His Spirit
 - ✓ strength in being able to understand the problems and difficulties we are going through
 - ✓ strength to be able to stand for the Truth, even in spite of threats

And to be able to stand for the Truth!

Here is what Jesus tells the end-time Church called the Laodiceans. Just as God has a message for Israel and Judah today, God has a message for His Church today.

- we need to really take it to heart
- we really need to come to God and Christ the way we need to
- we need to quit playing 'little social club' on the Sabbath
- we need to really begin having our hearts and our minds cleansed

Revelation 3:14: "And to the angel of the church of *the* Laodiceans, write: 'These things says the Amen, the faithful and true Witness, the Beginner of the creation of God. I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot; I would *that* you be *either* cold or hot. So then, because you are lukewarm, and *are* neither cold nor hot, I will spew you out of My mouth'" (vs 15-16). That has already happened. Look at what happened to the biggest Church of God in the history of the world. It is gone!

Verse 17: "For you say, 'I am rich, and have become wealthy, and have need of nothing'; and you do not understand that you are wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked." How do we stand before God? *Everyone that comes before God is laid bare (Heb. 4)!*

So, here's a message from Jesus: *Thus says Jesus Christ* just like it was, "Thus says the Lord..." to Jeremiah:

Verse 18: "I counsel you to buy from Me gold purified by fire... [The fire of tribulation is at hand] ...so that you may be rich; and white garments so that you may be clothed, and the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; and to anoint your eyes with eye salve, so that you may see. As many as I love..." (vs 18-19).

God the Father loves you. Jesus Christ loves you. They want us in the Kingdom of God with them. That's why we have been called. That's why He says He is correcting us.

"...I rebuke and chasten. Therefore, **be zealous and repent**" (v 19).

Now then, concerning our personal relationship with God. The greatest grace has been

given to us that we can pray directly to God the Father in heaven above, ***having His Spirit within our minds and His Word within our hearts!***

Verse 20: “Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me.” How much of God’s Spirit do you have? ***Christ wants to give you more! He’s knocking at the door!***

- Will we answer?
- Will we hear?
- Will we do what is right?

Notice, He says, “...I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me.” But ***we have to hear His voice! We have to open the door of our minds and the door of our hearts and let Christ come in!***

Then He says, and there’s hope, v 21: “To the one who overcomes will I give *authority* to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame, and sat down with My Father in His throne. **The one who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches**” (vs 21-22).

So, brethren, from June 26, 2015, the 9th day of the 4th month, ***the Church and this nation will never be the same again!*** We are going to face so many difficult things, that:

- we need to be fortified with God’s Spirit
- we need the protection of God’s angels
- we need the mind-set of Jesus Christ

because it will never be the same from that day forward! So let’s hope that out of this:

- God can call some people
- we can repent and return to God
- we can be more dedicated and zealous and diligent to God than ever before

This is the day of infamy for this nation, not Pearl Harbor!

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