Prepare to Meet Your Maker O Israel

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Greetings, brethren! Welcome to Sabbath services!

Yesterday was a landmark day in the history of America. We have come all the way from thanking God and declaring to Him that this was a Christian nation and that He brought us here and He gave us this land, which is all true. It is true according to the prophecies concerning the house of Israel.

The Supreme Court voted 5-4 that same-sex marriage was legal, a 'right' granted to it by the Constitution. The four dissenting judges gave scathing reports on how this should not be. However, this is a landmark decision and the United States has taken a final step toward the destruction of this nation and the judgment of God!

When five unelected officials sitting on the Supreme Court *defy God, defy His Word,* defy the Constitution, the Declaration of Independence, and the Amendments to the Constitution of the United States, and issue a lawless decree that spells doom for this nation. There is no other way to say it.

There may be a respite. The evangelicals have declared that they will fight against this decision by the Supreme Court:

- it is lawless
- it is unconstitutional
- it is defying God

Whenever you defy God and claim yourself to be wiser than God, just like it says in Rom. 1, they are fools!

The 26th of June was a very interesting day in the Scriptures. Since we are part of the House of Israel in the end-time and the leading nation of the descendants of Israel today, let's look and see what happened on this day in the book of Jeremiah June 26th was the 9th day of the 4th month, according to the Calculated Hebrew Calendar. Let's see what happened on that day and we will see that it is significant.

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" (vs 1-2). They got through the walls.

Verse 3: "And all the rulers of the king of Babylon came in and sat in the Middle Gate..."

Then it lists them all. Very interesting—isn't it? The enemy has stormed in and have destroyed the Constitution of the United States and have destroyed what God has declared from the beginning that He has made them male and female and 'therefore, shall a man leave his father and mother and cleave unto his wife.'

Let's understand something: There is no such thing as equality in marriage. Can the same-sex marriages produce children and another generation? *No, they cannot!* They're hoping that science can develop test-tube human beings *in defiance of God, hatred of God.*

Let's see what happened to Zedekiah because he was warned. Jeremiah warned him just before this, that 'if you surrender to the Chaldeans, your life will be spared.' But he didn't listen.

Just like the Supreme Court did not listen. They defied God, they defied all the briefs that were filed by the evangelicals, where some of them stated—because they knew what was going to happen—that the judgment of God would come upon us if they decided to make same-sex marriages legal. So, we are in desperate times!

The warning was given. Christianity is going to become fair game. They are already planning and plotting their next move.

Let's see what happened to Zedekiah because he didn't listen. After they came in, v 4: "And it came to pass when Zedekiah, the king of Judah and all the men of war saw them, then they fled, and went out from the city by night, by the way of the king's garden, by the gate between the two walls. And he went toward the Arabah. But the Chaldean army pursued them and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho..." (vs 4-5). So, there comes a time when nothing will work.

Let's see what happened to him. Let's take this as a foretaste of what is going to happen to this nation!

Verse 5: "But the Chaldean army pursued them and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho. And they took him, and made him go up to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, to Riblah in the land of Hamath, where he gave judgment on him. Then the king of Babylon killed the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes in Riblah. Also the king of Babylon killed all the princes of Judah. And he put out Zedekiah's eyes and bound him with chains, to carry him to Babylon" (vs 5-7). Quite a judgment!

Where are we going to be?

• What is going to happen?

Here in California, where all of this started, we're now in the fourth year of a drought. Will there be rain next year? We do not know! But some of the cities have already cut back 37% on their use of water. What are they going to do when the water runs out?

Why do we have this drought? You read in Jer. 23, that Jeremiah said, 'Oh, the sins of the people. My eyes are just running down like rivers with tears because of the adulteries and sins that they have committed! The wilderness is ravaged, burned up and dry.' Right in California now, there are more fires and there will be more.

What is going to happen? Look at what happened back in the Midwest, right in the heart of the Bible Belt. They were all praying that the drought would end. God answered the prayer with correction. He ended the drought, but gave them tornados and flooding and it hasn't yet completely stopped. We need to understand something very important: *No one can defy God!* God is judge and He will judge them.

Today we're told that the whole world is like Sodom and Egypt. That's exactly what it is. Let's see what happened to Israel when they did this in the past. A lot of people are hoping, 'Well, there'll be repentance.' **Really?** A lot of people are hoping that God will lift His heavy hand of judgment. Will He?

Since the Supreme Court is the one that made this decision, they hold the primary guilt. Right below them are the religious leaders. Yes, the religious leaders! And just like the children of Israel have always thought, 'Their religious leaders are very understanding and nice.' Let's see how God looks at their assemblies. If there's going to be any repentance, we'll find out what kind of repentance is necessary.

Whenever God wants to make a point of power and impact, and why He is doing this, He uses heaven and earth as witness.

Isaiah 1:2: "Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for the LORD has spoken..." This is a prophecy for us today as well as fulfilled against Israel back then.

"...'I have reared and brought up children, but they have rebelled against Me'" (v 2). To show you how contrary that it is, we claim to be a Christian nation, we claim to love God, we claim to follow His way, but that's a mirage. That is not true!

It is so contrary that God says this, v 3: "'The ox knows his owner, and the donkey his master's crib; but Israel does not know Me; My people do not understand.' Ah, sinful nation, a people

burdened *with* iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children who deal corruptly! They have forsaken the LORD; **they have provoked the Holy One of Israel to anger**; **they have gone away backward**" (vs 3-4). Isn't that what we have done? *Yes!*

- God's judgments are upon us!
- God's judgments come automatically!

When His anger gets involved, then instead of the judgments coming like little waves, all of sudden there's a rogue wave and BAM! That's exactly what has happened with this decision. This is an affrontry to God, a denial of everything that this nation was founded upon and *God's judgment is coming!* Think about all we've suffered:

- all the wars
- the droughts
- the storms
- the tornados
- the hurricanes
- the sickness
- the disease
- the problems with sin.
- the drugs the crime
- all of the adultery
- all of the perversion and homosexuality

God looks down and He sees all of that!

God says, v 5: "Why should you be stricken any more? You will revolt more and more; the whole head is sick..." Ninety percent of the government is sick.

- can't stand for the Truth
- can't stand for God
- don't know what to do
- don't know don't how to do it

Oh, yes, we must not offend anyone! We must be good little people!

"...and the whole heart faint. From the sole of the foot even to the top of the head there is no soundness in it; only wounds and bruises and putrefying sores..." (vs 5-6). That's what our cities look like. When the sun goes down, then all of the evil crawls out!

"...there is no soundness in it; only wounds and bruises and putrefying sores; they have not been closed, nor bound up, nor soothed with ointment. Your country is a desolation... [and it's going to get worse] ...your cities are burned with fire.... [that has been happening, and it is going to get worse] ...Strangers devour your land right in your very presence..." (vs 6-7).

What does it say in Deut. 28? And the stranger within your gates shall get up very high above you and you shall be brought low!

Sidebar: I had to renew my driver's license, which I renewed. I went into the DMV and every worker there was Hispanic. They're doing a good job, that's fine, but it shows you that even in little ole Hollister the Word of God is fulfilled right in front of your eyes. Quite a thing to contemplate, isn't it? Yes, indeed!

Verse 8: "And the daughter of Zion is left as a booth in a vineyard, like a hut in a garden of cucumbers, **like a besieged city**." All the vines crawl over the top of it and choke everything out and they don't even know it. There's a little hope for the Church; a little hope for the people.

Verse 9: "Except the LORD of hosts had left us **a very small remnant**, we would have been as Sodom; we would have become like Gomorrah." We'll read what happened to them. Today we are that way, without a doubt.

So God says, v 10: "Hear the Word of the LORD, rulers of Sodom; give ear to the Law of our God, people of Gomorrah."

If there's any repentance in turning back, they better do this. We'll talk about that in just a minute. So He says:

Verse 12: "When you come to appear before Me, who has required this at your hand, to trample My courts? Bring no more vain sacrifices; incense is an abomination to Me—new moon and Sabbath, the calling of assemblies; I cannot endure iniquity along with the solemn assembly!" (vs 12-13).

- What is it that they have done?
- What is it that is the first thing that needs to be repented of?

Right after the Supreme Court in responsibility stands all the rulers and ministers and pastors of churches and their Sabbath, which is Sunday.

Verse 14: "Your new moons and your appointed feasts My soul hates; they are a trouble to Me; I am weary to bear *them*."

- Christmas
- Easter
- Halloween
- Lent

All of those abominable days God says He hate!

What's going to have to happen is this: If evangelicals say, 'We're going to declare war on this judgment that has been given by the Supreme Court,' don't you think they ought to start with repenting about Sunday-keeping? The lawless condition in this nation, the foundation of that, is the lawless grace that has been preached from the pulpit saying that the laws of God have been done away.

That's why we have in the Faithful Version Bible and I've said it many times, Rome's Challenge to the Protestants (Appendix N). Rome tells you, 'You're defying the Bible. You're defying the Word of God, if you keep Sunday, because that is a Roman Catholic institution' started by them. Well, really not. It goes back to ancient Babylon and Baal worship. That's the truth of it!

Now they're going to do this, God says, v 14: "...I am weary to bear *them*. And when you spread forth your hands, I will hide My eyes from you; yea, when you make many prayers, <u>I will not hear</u>; your hands are full of blood" (vs 14-15).

- abortion
- same-sex marriage
- all the other sins
- drugs
- everything else

Think about all of that.

- Have they stopped it?
- Have they turned it back?
- No!

This society is given over to pleasure and delusion and a *make-believe reality* that is repeated over and over again in the media. 'Your hands are full of blood.'

I wonder how many Sunday-keeping pastors and evangelists will stand up in the pulpit and repent and say, 'We're going to keep the Sabbath from now on. That's the Word of God.' And will repent and say, 'We have lied to you when we said the Law of God is done away.' I doubt it. So, they can fight against this judgment by the Supreme Court all they want, but until they come back to the whole Law of God, all the Law of God, it will continue the way that it is.

God says, v 16: "Wash yourselves, make yourselves clean; put away the evil of your doings from before My eyes; <u>cease to do evil</u>; learn to do good; seek judgment, reprove the oppressor. Judge the orphan, plead for the widow: (vs 16-17).

Then God says, 'If you come to Me, I'll forgive your sins. *But* you must be willing and obedient.'

Verse 20: "'But if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured *with* the sword;' for the mouth of **the LORD has spoken** *it*."

Did God destroy Jerusalem, destroy the temple and scrape it like a rock? Twice $-586_{\rm B.C.}$ and $70_{\rm A.D.}$ —because of the stubbornness and lack of repentance of the people and the religious leaders. Is that not enough witness to us that, yes, God will do it again? Some people think America's too big to fail. They thought that of:

- Babylon
- Persia
- Greece
- Rome
- Judea
- all the empires

And now look at <u>us</u>. Of course, we can fail. It's going to happen! I don't know what kind of thing is going to take place.

Verse 21: "How has the faithful city become a harlot? *It was* full of judgment; righteousness lodged in it—but now murderers. Your silver has become dross, your wine mixed with water; <u>your rulers are rebellious</u>, and <u>companions</u> of thieves..." (vs 21-23).

Look at the way that the politicians are just loaded with wealth when they retire. How did these ex-presidents get all of that money? *Companions of thieves and liars!* There are other things you need to look at concerning that.

"...everyone loves a bribe, and is pursuing rewards; they do not judge the orphan, nor does the cause of the widow come before them. And the Lord, the LORD of Hosts, the Mighty One of Israel says, 'Alas!.... [the time has come] ...I Myself will vent My wrath upon My foes, and avenge Myself of My enemies. And I will turn back My hand upon you, and purge away your dross as with lye, and take away all your tin alloy" (vs 23-25).

That's what's going to happen. When God says He's angry, when God says the time has come, when He says, 'Alas,' *you better take heed!* Look what He did to Jerusalem, twice I remind you.

Isaiah 3:1: "For behold, the Lord, the LORD of hosts..." Look at how many times He says, "...the Lord, the Lord of hosts..." That is double emphasis to know *this will happen!*

"...takes away from Jerusalem and from Judah the stay and the staff, the whole stay of bread and the whole stay of water, The man of might and the man of war, the judge and the prophet, the diviner and the ancient, The captain of fifty, and the honorable man and the adviser, and the cunning charmer and the skillful enchanter. 'And I will give young lads to be their princes, and capricious children shall rule over them. And the people shall be crushed, every man by another, and every man by his neighbor; the young shall rise up against the old, and the base against the honorable" (vs 1-5). That will happen!

Think of this: Our whole electrical grid is in jeopardy. They could shut down the electricity nearly everywhere and they wouldn't even have to

come in with bombs or ammunition. They've got the back door into all servers and China controls it.

Remember the hacking? How did those occur? *Because 98% of servers are made in China!* Think about that. What would we do without electricity? That could happen instantly.

What else would happen then? You couldn't pump gasoline; you couldn't pump water! Pretty soon we would have famine upon us. We would have riots and killing and looting, just exactly as it says here. Everyone against his neighbor!

Verse 8: "For Jerusalem is staggering and Judah has fallen because their tongue and their doings are against the LORD, to provoke the eyes of His glory. The look of their faces witnesses against them; and they declare their sin like Sodom. They do not hide it! Woe to their soul! For they have rewarded evil to themselves" (vs 8-9).

Here's a little bit of hope for us, v 10: "'Say to the righteous that it shall be well with him; for they shall eat the fruit of their doings. Woe to the wicked! For the evil doing of his hand will be given to him. As for My people, children are their oppressors, and women rule over them. Oh, My people, those who lead you cause you to err and destroy the way of your paths.' The LORD stands up to plead His case, and stands up to judge the people. The LORD will enter into judgment with the elders of His people, and their kings..." (vs 10-14). We will see that happen. We are in desperate trouble!

Isa. 5—notice what is going to happen and why it happens. The blame lies with all the Christian ministers who are Sunday-keepers, who say that the law has been done away. *That is a defiant, absolutely rebellious thing against God!* If you don't believe that, study the book of Job.

Job said his righteousness was greater than God's, but it wasn't. That's exactly what they're saying with their Sunday-keeping and their holiday-keeping. Oh, they despise the Sabbath, despise the Passover and Holy Days. 'Yes! Yes! Yes! we despise that, but we love our Sunday and we are good people and we are wonderful people and we love to lie to our children—Christmas and Easter—oh, yes, it's so much fun.'

Pretty soon you're going to suffer the vomit of your own self-righteousness. How did Job turn out? Remember what happened to Job? He said, 'Oh, I would that God would come down and speak to me.' *He did, in a whirlwind!* Yes, He did. Job put himself above God. He did not give God credit for everything that he did. Yes, he was blameless in keeping everything in the letter of the Law, that was true. Job thought then he was greater than God, when

- it was God Who made the heavens and the earth
- *it was God* Who made the laws
- it was God Who gave him the ability to keep those things and to understand what he understood

And Job forgot that all of us 'live and move and have our being' *from God*, saint and sinner. God has given us choice and we have to choose. Notice what has been chosen, which is why we are where we are.

Isaiah 5:18: "<u>Woe</u> to those who draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sin with cart ropes; Who say, 'Let Him hurry *and* hasten His work, so that we may see it; and let the purpose of the Holy One of Israel draw near and come, so that we may know!" (vs 18-19). It isn't going to happen unless you repent and believe every Word of God. *No! Your rebellion is going to deny it from you.*

Verse 20: "<u>Woe</u> to those who call evil good and good evil; who put darkness for light and light for darkness; who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter! <u>Woe</u> unto *them that are* wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!" (vs 20-21).

Yes, wonderful educated, sophisticated judges, scholars of the law! And they said, 'Samesex marriage is equal.' Yes, they don't know what they have done to this nation!

Verse 217: "Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!"

- the whole educational system
- the whole political system
- the whole religious system

—is corrupt, just like where we started—from head to the bottom of the feet!

God tells us, 'Cry aloud and spare not' (Isa. 58). When times like this come, the ministers and people of God are to stand up and issue warning and let them know this is the hand of God!

Verse 22: "<u>Woe</u> unto *them that are* mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink." Add into that all the drugs.

We've got sermon series: Addicted Society and Addicted to Sex. Those bring out all the troubles and difficulties that happen when people break the laws of God. How many people have ruined their lives, their families, their loved ones with:

- drugs
- illicit sex
- lying
- cheating
- stealing
- coveting

- taking
- gambling

Add into all of those things whatever you know that could be added to it. *God looks at the whole thing!*

Verse 23: "Who justify the wicked for a bribe and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him!" That's what they're going to come and try and do now, come after all churches everywhere. If you don't preach the Truth of God, the whole Truth of God, and teach the commandments of God, as well as the love and grace of God, *you're fighting against God!* When God fights back, it's going to come!

Verse 24: "Therefore, as the fire devours the stubble, and the flame burns up the chaff; their root shall be like rottenness, and their blossoms shall go up like dust <u>because they have cast away the Law of the LORD of hosts, and despised the Word of the Holy One of Israel."</u>

That is orthodox Christianity, Catholic and Protestant. There needs to be repentance of that! I don't think it's going to come. All you have to do is read Isaiah, Jeremiah and Ezekiel. Who believed them until after it was already done? *Hardly anyone!*

Verse 25: "Therefore, the anger of the LORD is kindled against His people, and He has stretched out His hand against them, and has stricken them; and the hills trembled, and their dead bodies were as filth in the midst of the streets. In all this His anger is not turned away, but His hand is stretched out still."

- How much longer do you want to fight God?
- Any Sunday-keeper out there, tell me why do you hate the Sabbath?
- Why do you say the law is done away when Jesus said He did not come to abolish the law, but to fulfill and magnify the law and make it glorious?
- Does it not say that those who have the Spirit of God are to have the laws and commandments written in their hearts and in their minds? Yes, it does!
- How does that do away with the law? Does not do it!

When you say the law is done away, you are judging God! When you judge God, know for sure that He's going to judge you! Witness Job. That's why the book of Job is there.

Isaiah 9:13: "For the people do not turn to Him Who strikes them, nor do they seek the LORD of hosts." *No!* They're upset because all of the nice things are taken away.

Verse 14: "And the LORD will cut off from Israel head and tail, branch and rush, *in* one day. The

elder and honorable, he is the head; and the prophet who teaches lies, he *is* the tail" (vs 14-15).

- a false Christ
- a false day of worship
- a false grace
- a false salvation

Everything about it is a lie, except the name of God and Jesus Christ. But if you take that in vain, what worth is it?

Verse 16: "For the leaders of this people led them astray; and those who are led by them are swallowed up. Therefore, the LORD shall not rejoice over their young men, nor shall He have mercy on their orphans and widows; for everyone is ungodly and an evildoer, and every mouth speaks foolishness. In all this His anger is not turned away, but His hand is stretched out still, for wickedness burns like the fire; it shall devour the briers and thorns, and shall kindle in the thickets of the forest, and they shall roll upwards like the lifting up of smoke. Through the wrath of the LORD of hosts is the land scorched, and the people shall be as the fuel for the fire; no man shall spare his brother" (vs 16-19).

That's what it's coming to! People didn't think that it would happen. You look over there in the Middle East and you look at what is happening there. It's coming here! They already have ISIS camps south of the border in Mexico. It's coming here. Unless there is a mass repentance of the whole nation, there will be no turning back of the hand of the correction of God! It will not happen!

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Let's examine the Laws of God concerning sexual behavior. We will also see that God is not doing this to Israel, but He does it to every nation on earth that violates these laws, whether they know them or not. *They operate automatically!* Look at the world today.

- Are there wars?
- Are there troubles?
- Are there difficulties?
- Yes, indeed!
- What happens when there are gross sexual sins? *God judges!*

Let's see what God says. After all:

- Is He not the Creator *of all* reproduction?
- Is He not the Creator *of all* things in the world, including human beings?
- Yes, indeed!
- Did He not give us independent free choice? Yes, indeed!

God will never violate that! We have to choose; God didn't create us to be robots.

God created us so that we could have a blessed life, *if*, as He said, 'I set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore, choose life that you and your seed may live. To love the Lord your God so that He will bless you in the land that you go in.' So, here's what He told them to do, because sexual sins are very powerful, and it affects everything in the environment and the country where the people live.

Leviticus 18:1: "And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, 'Speak to the children of Israel and say to them, "I am the LORD your God"" (vs 1-2). I want you to notice how many times God says that. When He says, "...I am the LORD your God..." He's wanting you to understand that what He is saying is so important that He doesn't want you to think any contrary thoughts against it. With double emphasis with His name, God means business!

Verse 3: "As they do in the land of Egypt where you dwelt, you shall not do. And you shall not do as they do in the land of Canaan, where I am bringing you. Neither shall you walk in their ordinances." These are all the other countries. God judges them the same way. No one is exempt!

Verse 4: "You shall do My judgments and keep My ordinances, and walk in them. I am the LORD your God. And you shall keep My statutes and My judgments, which if a man does, he shall live in them. I am the LORD" (vs 4-5).

What does that mean? When you love and obey God and keep His commandments, you will live! You will live within them and God will bless you. If you live outside of those and you live contrary to those and you live the way the rest of the heathen do, then God says what's going to happen. Just like He would bless, likewise He will curse.

Verse 6: "None of you shall approach to any who are near of kin to him to uncover *their* nakedness. <u>I am the LORD</u>." That means you are not to be involved in incest of any kind.

Wait and see—they will probably soon judge that in order to reduce the number of rape cases, what we need to do is reduce the age of consent to 13 or 12. In order to get rid of sexual perversion and incest within the family—like one judge in Australia ruled—that incest is just fine.' You wait! When you wallow in sin, you keep going and going and going into sin and all of the putredness rises and rises until it's right up to your neck. *Then you perish!*

Verse 7: "You shall not uncover the nakedness of your father or the nakedness of your mother..." You can read all of them.

Verse 22: "You shall not lie with mankind as with womankind. It is an abomination to God." Homosexuals read that and say, 'That's not a sin, it's an abomination, but in the New Testament that's just fine.' No, no, no, it's not. You ought to read 1-Cor. 6: None of those who do these things will inherit the Kingdom of God! I wonder how they handle that in the homosexual churches. They just ignore it.

Verse 23: "And you shall not lie with any animal to defile yourself with it. And a woman shall not stand before an animal to lie down to it. It is a perversion. Do not defile yourselves in any of these things..." (vs 23-24). I want you to read all of it and listen carefully to this:

"...for in all these the nations, which I cast out before you, are defiled. And the land is defiled. Therefore, I visit its wickedness against it, and the land itself vomits out those who live in it" (vs 24-25).

The land of the United States of America is getting ready to vomit out the inhabitants of it because of the sins of this nation! It may be a number of years before its complete. There may be a little time of respite here and there, but *it's coming!* It's coming! Just like the tides of the ocean come and go every day.

Verse 26: "You shall therefore keep My statutes and My judgments, and shall not commit any of these abominations, neither the native, nor any stranger that lives among you; for the men of the land who were before you have done all these abominations, and the land is defiled. You shall not do these so that the land may not spew you out also when you defile it, as it spewed out the nations that were before you" (vs 26-28). God says any who commits these are cut off from Him!

Here's another thing. Look at the three major things:

- 1. abortion
- 2. same-sex marriage
- 3. Sunday-keeping

Then all the idolatry and all the commandment breaking. Remember James said that if you break one law, you've broken all of them.

Leviticus 20:1: "And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, 'Again you shall say to the children of Israel..." Let's understand this: When God repeats something, He means it! Notice He adds something in here, because what we're going to read about next is post-birth abortion. 'Oh, isn't that so lovely; we're such good people; so religious that we offer our children in sacrifice to Molech. Yes, just think of what a wonderful thing that is.' (said sarcastically)

Today, one million a year are killed, ripped out of their mother's wombs, all because of lust and all because of sin. How's your life after an abortion? How are your emotions? You can never forget it—can you?

"...Any one of the children of Israel or of the strangers who lives in Israel, that gives any of his children to Molech, he shall surely be put to death..." (v 2). 'Oh, that's so cruel. Oh, my, what a horrible thing that you would execute the death penalty against them.' What are they doing with their children?

"...The people of the land shall stone him with stones. And I will set My face against that man, and will cut him off from among his people, because he has given of his seed to Molech to defile My sanctuary and to profane My Holy name" (vs 2-3). You can't say, 'Oh, whatever they do, that's their business.'

God says, v 4: "And if the people of the land in any way hide their eyes from the man when he gives of his children to Molech and do not kill him, Then I will set My face against that man and against his family, and will cut him off, and all that go whoring along with him to commit whoredom with Molech, from among their people" (vs 4-5). Yes, God means business. It's coming!

Verse 6: "And the one who turns to mediums and to familiar spirits to go a whoring after them..." We have that in America today—don't we? Yes!

In New York City we have the medium of New York City. She can sit down at a little session and she can tell things to people and lo and behold they happen. So they think she's a wonderful person. That's the wrong conclusion. It tells you there must be many, many demons in New York City for there to be that kind of communication and understanding to make it come to pass, to lead people away from God. God says, if you do that:

"...<u>I will even set My face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people</u>" (v 6).

Verse 13: "If a man also lies with mankind, as he lies with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination. They shall surely be put to death. Their blood *shall be* upon them." God says it will happen.

Verse 15: "And if a man lies with an animal, he shall surely be put to death. And you shall kill the animal." That's the rage in Germany today. Yes!

Verse 16: "And <u>if a woman goes up to any</u> animal and lies down with it, you shall kill the

woman and the animal. They shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them."

Now I'm going to read Lev. 19:29 and I want you to think about all of the educational systems, so they're right in line with the preachers and the politicians and the judges for the sin. What have we taught in our schools from kindergarten? Sex education, because we wouldn't want them to have any hang-ups about sex, but that hangs them up about sex. Just the opposite! When I read this I want you to answer the question: Has this happened in America?

Leviticus 19:29: "You shall not prostitute your daughter to cause her to be a whore, lest the land fall to whoredom, and the land become full of wickedness." Has that happened?

'Oh well, today, we're educated, we have birth control, the morning after pill and we have that wonderful institution of Planned Parenthood. If you're twelve years old and go to school and you just happen to get pregnant, you don't have to tell your mommy and daddy, just come to us and we will take you to that wonderful place and they will get rid of the problem for you. Aren't we good people?'

- God says that you're full of sin
- God says that you're headed for destruction

That's what we find today!

A comment was made that Jonathan Cahn, who's kind of a noted prophet here in the United States, descendant of the priestly family and a Jew—probably from the house of Aaron—is calling for a fast on September 11. Yes, '9/11.' God says that if you're going to have a fast, you repent of your sins. So, it isn't going to do any good to call for a fast with what's going on in this nation. Do the people think they're going to make their voice heard on high?

Jonathan Cahn has got a few hypocritical things he's got to get rid of himself if he's going to fast on '9/11.' He better repent of having the Jews come on Friday night for special services. That's okay if they come, but he better really be teaching the Word of God in Truth, because he's not. Then he better tell all the Christians that he invites to come in on Sunday that they better start keeping the Sabbath. Otherwise, how do you think God is going to look at that fast? We have to come

- in a humble and contrite spirit
- trembling at the Word of God
- repenting of sins
- repenting of our arrogance
- repenting of all the things that we have chosen to do to get God out of our lives

No! That won't work. God says, 'Where is the fast that \underline{I} have chosen?' That's the one they need to have.

Gen. 18 has to do with Abraham and God and the two angels and Sodom and Gomorrah and his nephew Lot. God came and promised Abraham that 'next year at the set time that Sarah would bear Isaac. There were two angels that came with God. So, after it was all done:

Genesis 18:16: "And the men rose up from there, and looked toward Sodom. And Abraham was going with them to send them on the way. And the LORD said, 'Shall I hide from Abraham the things which I do, since Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I know him, that he will command his children and his house after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment, that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which He has spoken of him.' And the LORD said, 'Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous.'" (vs 16-20).

Think on that statement for a minute. What do you suppose the communication is coming up to God, because He knows everything that's going on everywhere? When it gets particularly evil, God has to come and judge!

- I wonder what the cry is out of the major cities of America and in the small towns on Friday nights and Saturday?
- I wonder what the cry is of the drug addicts?
- I wonder what the cry is of those who are suffering from venereal diseases?
- I wonder what the cry is of those who are suffering from other diseases?
- I wonder what is the sexual cry that goes up?

God knows!

God says, v 21: "I will go down now and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it... [God knows; no one is going to fool God] ...which has come to Me. And if not, <u>I will know</u>." So, God is verified. God is not presumptuous.

Verse 22: "And the men turned their faces away from there, and went toward Sodom. But Abraham still stood before the LORD. And Abraham drew near and said, 'Will You also destroy the righteous with the wicked?'" (vs 22-23). Yes, because He was the God of all the earth.

Then you know what happened. Abraham said, 'What if there are fifty righteous people in the city. Will You destroy for that?' God said, 'No, I won't do it.'

Abraham said, 'I'll take it upon myself to speak once more. I am one who is just but dust and ashes. Perhaps there will be five lacking the fifty. Will You destroy all the city for the lack of five?' And God said, 'If I find there forty-five, I will not destroy it.' Isn't that interesting. Think about that. God knows where the righteous and the wicked are—does He not? Yes, indeed!

Then Abraham said again, 'What if there is forty?' He said, 'I'll not do it.' Then Abraham said, 'Let not the Lord be angry, I will speak. Perhaps there shall be thirty found there.' And God said, 'I will not do it for thirty.' Abraham knew Lot, and he knew there were not very many righteous people there. So, he kept bringing it down.

He finally got it down to ten and God said, 'No, I won't do it.' Then you know what happened. The angels came in there, came to Lot's house. There was a sexual riot out in front to try and... 'Oh, look! There are new men. We've got to get them. We haven't had any new flesh in a long time.'

They tried to get into the house. Lot even offered his own daughters. He knew they wouldn't take them. That didn't work either. *Then the angels had to open the door and blind them all!* That ended the riot.

Then in the morning, after Lot had warned his sons-in-laws, and so forth. There was Lot, his wife, two daughters. In the morning the angels said, 'Come on, we've got to get out of here real quickly.' They told them, 'Don't look back.' But Lot's wife looked back and she turned to a pillar of salt.

Sidebar: The book of *Josephus* says that in his day that tourists would come to the area where Lot's wife was turned to a pillar of salt and they could still see it. It happened.

Let's see what God says. Here's a prophecy for us today. I want you to read all of Ezek. 16 and 23 so that you will understand how God views things and why God judges. You will understand that no one can turn their back on God and get away with it. It won't happen!

Here is a parable of Israel, using Israel as a beautiful woman. God said that He gave everything to her, saved her right after her birth, nurtured her, brought her up:

Ezekiel 16:13: "And you were adorned with gold and silver; and your clothing was of fine linen and silk and embroidered work. You ate fine flour and honey and oil; and you were exceedingly beautiful. And you advanced into a kingdom And your name went out among the nations because of your beauty; for it was perfect My splendor, which I had put on you,' says the Lord GOD" (vs 13-14).

Think of Britain and America in this case for the modern end-time. Look at England today. What a mess! Look at America today and it is all because of pride and vanity and stubbornness.

- God gave them His Word
- He gave them the Truth
- He blessed them in every way possible

In them to fulfill the promise of Abraham, all the nations of the earth were blessed. But what happens to a nation? Just like an individual.

Verse 15: "But you trusted in your beauty..." 'Yes, we're Americans. We're always going to win because we're hard workers. We're industrious and we serve God.' **Really?**

"...and played the harlot because of your name, and poured out your fornications on all who passed by—on any who would have it" (v 15). That's called foreign aid today. Haven't we given a lot of money to a lot of people? Do they love us? No, they hate us!

Verse 16: "And you took from your clothes and adorned your high places with different colors, and played the harlot on them.... [watering down the laws of God with your own designs] ... Such things should not happen, nor should ever be! And you have taken of your beautiful jewels of My gold and of My silver, which I had given you, and made images of men, and did commit whoredom with them. And you took your embroidered dresses and covered them, and you have given to them My oil and My incense. Also My food which I gave you, fine flour and oil and honey with which I fed you, you have given it to them for a sweet savor. And so it was,' says the Lord GOD" (vs 16-19).

Exactly like we have done today. We ship out all of our food. Yes, it's good to help those nations, but did we teach them the way of God? Did we bring them the Bible and show them the complete understanding of the Bible? *No, we did not!* We exported our sins to them—didn't we? *Yes, indeed!*

We're in this degenerate position right now, v 20: "And you have taken your sons and your daughters, whom you have borne to Me..." *All children belong to God!* We are just custodians, because our children are the result of procreation which God created so we can share in the creation of God and bring children into the world.

'Oh, but, oh no, sex and the act alone is the most important thing and we'll get rid of the consequences of it.'

"...and you sacrificed them unto these images to be devoured...." (v 20). Yes, today we have the *temple of abortion*, called Planned Parenthood.

- its symbol is very appropriate, a broken womb
- the abortion table, the altar
- the doctor, the high priest

You have the assistant nurse; she takes the torn out limbs and body of the children, and then those are all packaged up and sent off to the scientist so we can give life to all of you old sinning folks, so you can live longer. Aren't we good! God says that's an abomination! God's judgment is coming because of these wanton murders!

Verse 21: "<u>You have slaughtered My children</u> and delivered them up and caused them to pass through the fire. And in all your hateful deeds and your whoredoms you have not remembered the days of your youth..." (vs 21-22).

- you have forgotten God
- you have forsaken God

You have legislated Him out of everything:

- out of the schools
- out of the churches
- out of the military
- out of everything

What little religion, with a name of Christianity on it, is at the vomit-turning point that God can no longer stand it.

Verse 23: "Woe, woe to you,' says the Lord GOD!.... [when God says woe, it's coming] ...For it came to pass after all your wickedness, that you have also built yourself an eminent place, and you have made for yourself a high place in every square" (vs 23-24). Yes, indeed! We've got to be 'religious.' Oh, yes, but they continue their whoredoms.

This is the Word of God for us today! I hope you share this information with others. We will have this DVD available.

Verse 35: "Therefore, O harlot, hear the Word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD, Because your lewdness was poured out and your nakedness was bared in your whoredoms with your lovers, and because of all the idols of your abominations, and because of the blood of your children that you gave to them; behold, therefore, I will gather all your lovers, with whom you have taken pleasure, even all whom you loved, with all whom you have hated; I will even gather them against you from all around, and will expose your nakedness to them, and they will see all your nakedness." Does the world hate us today? Yes!

Verse 38: "And I will judge you with the judgments of adulteresses, and as one who sheds

blood. And I will bring upon you the blood of fury and jealousy." Yes, God says He is going to do that!

Verse 39: "And I will also give you into their hands, and they will tear down your eminent places, and will demolish your high places. They shall also strip you of your clothes, and shall take your beautiful jewels, and leave you naked and bare. They shall also raise a company against you, and they shall stone you with stones, and thrust you through with their swords. And they shall burn your houses with fire, and execute judgments on you in the sight of many women. And I will make you stop whoring; and also, you shall no longer hire lovers any more. And I will satisfy My fury upon you, and My jealousy shall depart from you, and I will be quiet and will be angry no more" (vs 39-42). *Going to come!* That's how it's going to come!

Verse 48: "'As I live,' says the Lord GOD... [that's by His existence] ...'Neither Sodom your sister, nor her daughters, have done as you have done, you and your daughters. Behold, this was the iniquity of your sister Sodom; pride, fullness of bread and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters. nor did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy'" (vs 48-49).

The homosexuals say, 'Well, that was their iniquity, not their sex act.' No! These were the conditions that led to the sex acts, in addition to rejecting God!

How did all of this come about? You go back into history of America—if you can still find it anywhere—how did it go about? The schools used to teach out of the Bible and they used to have prayer every morning. They used to teach the children to be nice to one another, to love one another, but not today. *No!* No! Even the teachers teach their students about sex, personally, having sex with them. Oh, that's a great way to teach them—huh?

- How did it all come about?
- Why do we keep the Feast of Unleavened Bread?
- What is the motto of the Feast of Unleavened Bread?

It is very simply this: a little leaven leavens the whole lump!

There was a time when the United States was not as it is now. But it's because of the religious leaders. So, we will find that in 2-Pet. 2. Let's first of all look at the last few verses in chapter one, because what follows then is the opposite of what it says here in chapter one. God has given His Word. This nation cannot say that God did not send His Word to them. We have more Bibles than any nation on earth, and yet, we reject it, while we hold it, while we profess Jesus. We forget this:

2-Peter 1:19: "We also possess the confirmed prophetic Word..." All the prophecies concerning Jesus, all the New Testament written down, confirmed, verified by God, inspired by His Spirit.

"...to which you do well to pay attention, as to a light shining in a dark place... [this world] ...until the day dawns... [the return of Christ] ...and the morning star arises in your hearts" (v 19)—that is the resurrection.

Verse 20: "Knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture originated as anyone's own *private* interpretation... [or words] ...because prophecy was not brought at any time by human will, but the holy men of God spoke as they were moved by *the* Holy Spirit" (vs 20-21).

There were only forty men who wrote the Bible. Think of that! God inspired it! Even look what they've done to the Bible. It's an amazing thing!

Notice how Peter continues, 2-Peter 2:1: "But there were also false prophets among the people, as indeed there will be false teachers among you, who will stealthily introduce destructive heresies..." Yes, they will just sneak in and sit there until the right moment and others will join them.

Sooner or later the church will be corrupt. That happened in the days of the apostles, especially right after the Apostle John died. These false teachers would come around and say, 'Didn't you understand that Jesus would return before the Apostle John died? But look, he's been dead for a number of years. Now we have new understanding.' Voila! The birth of the Catholic Church started and was finalized in 325_{A.D.} by the rejection of the Sabbath, the institution of Sunday, and the Churches of God were scattered abroad.

The same thing happened in our day, exactly the same thing, exactly the same way. I remember the Day of Atonement 1979 when I resigned because of all of the corruption and all of the lies and all of the misappropriation of the money of God. Think of that! A Church with 120,000 people and an income reaching a peak of \$200-million! It had grown fat and sassy and corrupt and evil, just like God said of Israel. So, God judged—did He not? Yes, indeed!

I remember in the sermon that I gave on that Day of Atonement 1979 when I resigned, and I said that 'unless there is someone standing in the pulpit in Pasadena saying, 'Amend your ways, that the forces of evil will be set in motion which will tear it asunder.' Did that happen? Yes, it happened! No one is happy that it happened. I am not, but we have to stand for the Truth. When everything becomes corrupt, we've got to stand even if we have to stand alone!

In reading these words, and going through what's going to happen to America, it may be some years before it occurs, because from the time that God inspired me to say those words it was fifteen years before it happened. *But it did happen!* We don't know how long we have. We don't know what the situation is. But we also need to be aware that within the Churches of God these things don't take root ever again. May we all repent and dedicate ourselves

- to preaching the Truth
- to preaching the Gospel
- to warning this nation

And to make sure that there are not false teachers *stealthily* coming in and bringing pleasant-sounding doctrines.

"...stealthily introduce destructive heresies, personally denying the Lord who bought them, and bringing swift destruction upon themselves.... [this also happened]: ...And many people will follow as authoritative their destructive ways; and because of them, the way of the Truth will be blasphemed. Also, through insatiable greed they will with enticing messages exploit you for gain; for whom the judgment of old is in full force, and their destruction is ever watching" (vs 1-3).

I want you to think on this, lest any of us get comfortable in our own situations and we think that we have everything made. Like the idiocy of the Protestants, that there is going to be *a rapture*, 'we don't have to worry, we'll be taken out of here.' *No*, you won't!

Verse 4: "For if God did not spare *the* angels who sinned..." God judges the angels who sinned. Who is the chief one who is the 'god of this world' today? *Satan the devil!* Is that not true?

"...but, having cast *them* into Tartarus... [a place of restraint] ...delivered *them* into chains of darkness to be kept for *the* judgment. And *if God* did not spare *the* ancient world, but saved Noah, *the* eighth, a preacher of righteousness..." (vs 4-5).

That was a most ridiculous thing that was ever done, as far as the people that didn't know God were concerned. The whole world was like it is today: evil, the imagination of every thought was evil. The sin was full of violence and corruption. God repented that He made man, but He saved the human race through Noah.

And he built the ark. After the ark was completed, here came all the animals that God sent. They went into the ark. I imagine people were beginning to take notice. So, they go into the ark and then God seals up the ark and it sits there.

People gather around and say, 'I thought you said it was going to rain. Where is the rain? Oh, you're a nut. You're in there with all of those animals and what are you going to do when it doesn't rain?'

day one: no rain day two: no rain day three: no rain day four: no rain day five: no rain day six: no rain

Then day seven: oh, oh, drip, drip, the rain started!

Some said, 'There must be something to this.' Then all of a sudden the heavens opened up and the fountains of the deep were broken up. Water was coming down on top with a torrential rain. Water was gushing up from inside of the earth and there was no place to go, and they all died.

It went up 15 cubits; that is 24 feet above Mt. Everest. Killed everything that had the breath of life. There is evidence of that around the world everywhere, as well as evidence of a first flood in which the dinosaurs died. That's why God calls heaven and earth against us.

Then it talks about how God saved Lot out of Sodom. Just barely made it! Likewise, I want you to read all of 2-Peter and the book of Jude.

Let's see what God tells us in the book of Hosea. We wish that we could stand up with joy and happiness and loveliness and everything just fine and dandy. But we can't do that! We look and we see what's happening to this nation (USA) and the people, and Britain and Europe. Look at the enemies around the world. Unless there's repentance, it's going to get worse!

Hosea 13:9: "O Israel, you have destroyed yourself; but in Me is your help." If there's any turning to God, let it begin with us in the Churches of God, because judgment is now upon the house of God, as well.

Let's come to Amos 4:11: "I have overthrown some among you as God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah... [It's going to happen] ...and you were like a firebrand plucked out of the burning; yet you have not returned to Me,' says the LORD.

That's what we need to do! Return to God! Not run away, not stick with the old Protestant doctrines, Catholic doctrines, and false doctrines within the Churches of God.

Verse 12: "Therefore, I will do this to you, O Israel... [All the things that He said He would do] ...and because I will do this to you, prepare to meet your God, O Israel!"

Let's hope that we do not get caught up in all of the stupidity that's going to follow with the terrible, ungodly, abominable, unconstitutional judgment of same-sex marriage!

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