Resurrection Life of Jesus Church THE PROPHET JEREMIAH **RLJ-1661** JOHN S. TORELL JULY 22, 2018 PART 11: IMPENDING DISASTER

CURRENT JUDGMENTS FROM GOD

As we continue to study the book of Jeremiah, we find the message given to the people of Judah some 2,600 years ago is still applicable today. During the last year, the United States has experienced catastrophic weather systems which produced tornadoes, hurricanes, flooding, and violent thunderstorms have killed people. During the last winter there were one snowstorm after another and now we are experiencing heatwaves, forest fires in the western states, and strong rainstorms that bring as much as six inches of water per hour.

Thousands of Americans have lost their homes due to these storms, fires and floods and seems to be no end. I believe that God is using weather related events to execute selective judgments upon America and bring us to repentance. The problem is that most pastors and Christians simply don't see these environmental events as judgments from the Lord. Like the Israelites of old, they think it's merely a coincidence or bad luck. 1 Kings 17:1; Haggai 1:10-11; Ezekiel 38:22-23; Revelation 7:1-3

DAVID WILKERSON

David Wilkerson, the founder of Teen Challenge, received a prophetic word from the Lord in 1973 and released it in a book called "The Vision." Almost all the warnings of coming judgment have already been fulfilled.

In 1993 Wilkerson released a new warning called "Set the Trumpet to Your Mouth." The sad thing is that most of the Christian denominations rejected his prophecies.

Wilkerson traveled throughout the United States during the 1960's and early 1970's and spoke in thousands of Assembly of God churches. But once he started to preach and warn people of a coming judgment by God, he was no longer welcome in the Assembly of God churches.

Wilkerson died in a violent car crash in 2011 as his car drifted over to the left lane and collided with a semi-truck trailer. He died instantly and his wife was severely injured but survived the crash. It is obvious that the Devil wanted Wilkerson gone from the earth.

PRESIDENT TRUMP

Last week President Trump began to speak about the need to audit the Federal Reserve System and how he was unhappy with this private bank raising the prime interest rate in the United States. This has the effect of slowing down the economy, since borrowing money costs more. John F. Kennedy was the last president to take on the Federal Reserve System and soon thereafter he was executed in Dallas, Texas.

There is a grave risk that the powers behind the Federal Reserve System might order President Trump removed from office. The audio recording of Donald Trump with his



Jewish lawyer Michael Cohen can be used against him despite the fact that secret recordings of private conversations are illegal and not admissible in court.

The secret recordings by President Richard Nixon forced him out of office in 1974. If President Trump was removed from office by death or impeachment, it would deal a great blow to the rollback of the satanic forces in the United States.

FLEE FROM JERUSALEM

God warned the people from the tribe of Benjamin to flee from Jerusalem, to pass through the city of Beth-hac-cerem (house of wine) and to the city of Tekoa, which was a small city at the border of the great Judean wilderness area. Beth-hac-cerem was a wine producing city and a sign of fire was to be set up to designate the future destruction of the city. **Jeremiah 6:1**

TAKE HEED JERUSALEM

God likens the people of Judah to a woman that is beautiful but fragile. verse 2

Shepherds surrounding Judah supplied her with sustenance. verse 3

God showed His displeasure with Judah. verses 4-7

God warned them to take heed before it was too late. verse 8

THE JUDGMENT OF THE LORD

The judgment of the Lord is likened to a wine grower where the grapes are picked and then crushed. **verse 9**

The people of Judah had a problem because they did not want to hear the Word of the Lord. **verses 10; Matthew 13:10-15**

The fury of the Lord would be turned on them. Jeremiah 6:11-13

The leadership has falsely pacified the people. verse 14; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-9

Are the people ashamed when they sin? Jeremiah 6:15

Walk in the ways of the Lord and be blessed. verse 16; John 14:15

God set watchmen over Judah but the people refused to listen to them. **Jeremiah 6:17;** Matthew 23:37-38

This is a warning to the nations of the world. Jeremiah 6:18-21

INVASION FROM THE NORTH

God would send a nation from the north to carry out His judgment on Judah. verses 22

This nation would be strong militarily and cruel at the same time. verse 23

The knowledge of this fierce nation would cause great fear in the people of Judah. verse 24

The sword would follow the people wherever they tried to flee. verse 25

It would be a time of great mourning. verse 26

This nation from the north had been made strong by the Lord in order to teach the people of Judah a different lifestyle. **verse 27**

The people of Judah were rebels and slandered others. verse 28

The entire production system would be torn down while the wicked people remained. **verse 29**

The people of Judah would be regarded as polluted and inferior silver. **verse 30**

SUMMARY

The message in the sixth chapter of Jeremiah was given many years prior to Judah being destroyed. We now know that Babylon was the northern kingdom which God stated would put fear into the people and destroy Jerusalem. Everything came to pass exactly as the Lord said.

This should serve as a reminder that God is not to be mocked. Judah and Benjamin were part of the twelve tribes of Israel and God stated they were the apple of His eye.

If God changed His feelings for Israel – both the northern kingdom and the southern kingdom – and allowed them to be conquered, what does that say about us today? They went from being the apple of God's eye to receiving His fury and hate. Are we so naive to think that we will somehow be exempt?

If God didn't spare His own people, where do we stand? Judgment is coming and Jesus warned us about it. **Revelation 13:5-9**

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?