



EUROPEAN-AMERICAN EVANGELISTIC CRUSADES

THE GIFT OF REPENTANCE

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I have been warning people for some time about the judgments of God that are taking place in America. This is not a popular message, but when we study the nation of Israel as recorded in the Old Testament, we repeatedly find that God sent judgments in order for them to repent and turn from their sins. God used wars, occupation by other nations, drought and other nature catastrophes to get their attention. In the end the people of Israel failed to heed God's warning and around 750 B.C. the ten northern tribes were taken into captivity and removed from the land. The tribes of Judah and Benjamin did not take heed and some 150 years later God sent the Babylonians who carried them away into captivity.

In the last few years we have seen selective judgments on America from one coast to the other. Most severe has been the affliction of the Bible belt states because the greatest revivals occurred in these states and there is a church on almost every corner. But the people have forsaken the faith of their fathers and gone a whoring after idols and the south is dotted with casinos, whorehouses and drug abuse. Most of the pastors, elders and deacons in the south are Freemasons and worship Lucifer.

The western United States has been hit with devastating fires which burned thousands of homes and destroyed much forest land.

The oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico was an accident but God allowed it to happen to wake the people up from their wickedness. New Orleans is a sin city just like Las Vegas or San Francisco and I don't think it was an accident that the hurricane Katrina wiped out much of that city. Then hurricane Rita hit Texas hard as a wakeup call for the people in that state. Florida has been hit with huge fires and hurricanes but no one is turning to God en masse.

Devastating floods have hit the states on the east coast and the Mississippi river is currently overflowing its banks and all that people can talk about is rebuilding; there is not mention of repentance.

Then came the tornadoes which have hammered the south, midwest and now New England. There is a steady stream of death and destruction from one town to another. Barack Obama flies from one disaster zone to the other and only talks about rebuilding.

Where are the American pastors? Why aren't the denominational leaders standing up and calling America to repentance? Why aren't the Christian magazines calling for repentance? Why is there no word from the wealthy television evangelists and the mega pastors?

The simple answer is that repentance must begin with me and you. In our church, we are asking God to forgive the people in America and send the gift of repentance so that they can repent because no one can repent unless the Holy Spirit moves upon them:

“No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.” (John 6:44)

“And he said, Therefore said I unto you, that **no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father.**” (John 6:65)

“Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, **he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:** Of sin, because they believe not on me; Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.” (John 16:7-11)

The judgments will continue and increase in severity until we repent as a nation or are destroyed like the people of Israel. America’s preachers need to wake up and begin calling upon people to repent!

There is a place in the Book of Revelation that should make you weep when one third of the world population has been killed and the rest of the people did not repent.

“And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men. And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone. **By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.** For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt. **And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk: Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.**” (Revelation 9:15-21)

Are you willing to seek the Lord and start interceding for our nation?

Are you willing to talk to pastors in your area to begin preaching repentance?

God is waiting, what will you do?