

Idolatry Causes Calamities



Yes, you are not hearing it from news, pulpits and relief agencies where their only moralizing on Houston and Florida is how they come together, that is good because all Americans caused it, but God as always in calamities and adversity has “idolatry” that He hates, in mind; and the real grace is that no more lives were lost in so much total destruction. While these people including the worldly weather men are silent on the cause of calamities, the Bible has much to say on the subject.

25-6: Calamities That Cause Both Ears to Tingle!

Tingle (3 Occurrences)

1 Samuel 8:14 Yahweh said to Samuel, "Behold, I will do a thing in Israel, at which both the ears of everyone who hears it shall tingle."

2 Kings 21:12 therefore thus says Yahweh, the God of Israel, "Behold, I bring such evil on Jerusalem and Judah, that whoever hears of it, both his ears shall tingle."

Jeremiah 19:4 and say, Hear the word of Yahweh, kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem: thus says Yahweh of Armies, the God of Israel, Behold, I will bring evil on this place, which whoever hears, his ears shall tingle."



In the Bible:

Calamity (108 Occurrences)

Disaster (131 Occurrences)

This is a timely subject for us, as the ears of American are tingling today from

the shock and surprises of current calamities like floods, fires, and tornados;

and add to this the unparalleled historical series of calamities on this nation

since 911, so that THIS IS A TIME FOR THE TINGLING OF EARS. And as the ears tingle, the American mind, knowing all of these legally are called “acts

of God”, is ravaged with the thoughts of how much did God have to do with these calamities. Much insight comes from the study of “calamities” in the Bible.

1. This subject is very timely to these Bible Studies in Jeremiah as we know of the great calamity of desolation that God Himself brought on Judah and Jerusalem because of their idolatry. Ezekiel, the Prophet in Assyria and contemporary with Jeremiah, spoke of this same idolatry and the calamity brought of the house of Israel by God Himself in Ezekiel

“Then those of you who escape will remember Me among the nations where they are carried captive, because I was crushed by their adulterous heart which has departed from Me, and by their eyes which play the harlot after their idols; they will loathe themselves for the evils which they committed in all their abominations. And they shall know that I am the LORD; I have not said in vain **THAT I WOULD BRING THIS CALAMITY UPON THEM.** {Where did the calamity come from, it came from God, He “brought this calamity upon them”, did you miss that!} (Ezekiel 6:9-10)

“Thus says the Lord GOD: ‘Pound your fists and stamp your feet {is this what some Americans are doing in Alabama and along the flooded Mississippi River?}, and say, ‘Alas, for all the evil abominations of Israel! For they shall fall by the sword, by famine, and by pestilence.’ {God is in charge and is the determinative factor although He can use warfare, hungry, and pestilence even as He can use floods, fires, and hurricanes to chastise His own people in calamities of the first kind.} (Ezekiel 6:11)

“He who is far off shall die by the pestilence, he who is near shall fall by the sword, and he who remains and is besieged shall die by the famine. Thus will I spend My fury upon them.” (Ezekiel 6:12)

Idolatry isn't a statue or an image that you bow down to. It's anything that can replace Jesus in your life. Never allow anyone or anything to come before God. He's the only that can give you true satisfaction, meaning, and joy in life.



NOTE: The Pope reflects the majority opinion of the world, and Americans, that anything bad can not come from God. Well, reconcile that with the Bible statement in God's own words, "Thus will I spend My fury upon them."

THEN IDOLATRY IS CURED! What is the cure of idolatry, a major calamity from God Himself!

"Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when their slain are among their idols all around {have you noticed in the increased series of calamities since 911 how many more churches are hit, and how the intensity of causalities has increased because God's people of America are not listening!} their altars, on every high hill, on all the mountaintops, under every green tree, and under every thick oak, wherever they offered sweet incense to all their idols."

(Ezekiel 6:13)

2. You quickly and easily recognize "calamities" as sent from God against idolatry in God's chasing chastisement of the remnant which escaped to Egypt after the destruction and desolation of Judah and Jerusalem. {Recall that they asked for the word of God through Jeremiah whether to go from Mispah to

Egypt, God told them they would be safe if they remained in the land; and then after Jeremiah delivered another message of condemnation about idolatry to them down in Pathros of Egypt, they blatantly refused to stop worshiping idols like the Queen of Heaven.}

(1). Jeremiah 44:2.

“Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: ‘You have seen all the CALAMITY that I have brought on Jerusalem and on all the cities of Judah; and behold, this day they are a desolation, and no one dwells in them, because of their wickedness which they have committed to provoke Me to anger, that they went to burn incense and to serve OTHER gODS whom they did not know, they nor you nor your fathers.’ (Jeremiah 44:2,3)

What part do you not understand of “I have brought on Jerusalem and all the cities of Judah”?

(2). Jeremiah 44:11 where “catastrophe” is a stronger and bigger calamity.

“They have not been humbled, to this day, nor have they feared: they have not walked in My law or in My statutes that I set before you and your fathers.

Therefore thus says the LORD of hosts {again He is God of all the world, God of the Gentiles and Jews and all nations}, the God of Israel {the world really came to know Him foremost as the God of Israel during the reigns of David and Solomon}: ‘Behold, I will set My face against you for CATASTROPHE and for cutting off all Judah.’ (Jeremiah 44:10,11)

THAT GOD CUT OFF ALL JUDAH FROM THE LAND INCLUDING THE TEMPLE AND FORTIFIED CITIES, ISN'T THAT CATASTROPHIC ENOUGH AS A ACT OF GOD TO BE LEGITIMATELY CALLED A CALAMITY.

(3). Jeremiah 44:23,

“So the LORD could no longer bear it, because of the evil of your doings and because of the abominations which you committed. Therefore your land is a desolation, an astonishment, a curse, and without an inhabitant, as it is this

