

Current Affairs #167 – Words That Produce Death

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At the end of the last broadcast, we had just introduced the noisome and grievous sore that fell upon those who had received the mark of the beast and had worshiped his image.¹ I wanted to point out that, in that reference, there is a direct correlation between these plagues that are coming upon the earth at the end of the age and the plagues that befell Egypt when Israel was amongst them. I digressed at that point and spoke of the silliness of some of the theology and preaching that we have heard before about batteries that power microchips in people exploding and causing these sores. It is nothing like that. These are both practical and symbolic references. I mean, the symbolism ties it into Israel and Egypt, and specifically ties it into the sixth plague of Egypt, where God sent boils and sores upon the Egyptians. I think this is particularly significant because the magicians of Egypt, by then, had been rendered impotent, and they were admitting, “We cannot keep up with the activities of the God of Moses. He is beyond us.”² And part of it is just the stunning condemnation of those who worship the beast and his image as if the beast and the image were the truth. This is the obvious divine tension inherent within the references here. The intent is to show us that, like the magicians of Egypt who conjured falsely and deceived the people, and deceived even Pharaoh in it—so much so that he hardened his heart (and Pharaoh is a type of the evil one)—and then they fell behind; they could not move forward beyond the sixth plague.³ And the sixth plague represents the widened gap between the pretense of Egypt and its magicians who deceived everyone, and the judgment of God. So, in the same way, what we are observing here is how God is exposing the lie upon which the beast is built, upon which Satan convinces the earth and builds out this kingdom.

Have we wondered at all about why we now live in a time when everybody believes that the truth is their personal possession, subject to them and to them alone? It was during my lifetime I heard

This transcript is presented with the hope of preserving the authenticity and spirit of the spoken message, while addressing areas that may require clarification in the written form. All Scripture quotations in the footnotes are from the NKJV Bible, unless otherwise noted.

¹ See Revelation 16:2 KJV: “And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and *upon* them which worshipped his image.”

² See Exodus 8:18a,19a: “Now the magicians so worked with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not. . . . Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, ‘This *is* the finger of God.’”

³ See Exodus 9:11: “And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils, for the boils were on the magicians and on all the Egyptians.”

the phrase “my truth,” and I first heard it on an Oprah Winfrey show, but it might as well have been on any number of these talk shows. The popularity of these shows is because they are the first appearing of teachers after the people’s lusts; whatever the people lust for, they heap to themselves teachers.⁴ Talk shows are, by nature, giving voice and vent to whatever people lust for, the popular will of the people, more so than preachers who are preaching falsehoods. Preachers who are preaching falsehoods have no relevance to the world, and this is the judgment of God that has come upon the world. So the role of preachers is minimal; their principal deception is of people who are seeking God or people who are church people, but that is not the majority of the human population. Human population has grown increasingly dependent upon human wisdom. They craft what they say in the language of human wisdom, and they have invented every kind of language and linguistic gymnastics to justify the abominable and the depraved as normal.

Like the magicians of Egypt deceiving the Egyptian population, so these modern-day social prophets, who have not chosen to retain God in their knowledge, have invented the language that is popular amongst the people. Think of some of the more current forms of this: terms like “my truth” is one such term; another term is “homophobic;” and the popularization of the term, “hate.” So if you do not agree with somebody, and that person wraps himself or herself in the popular language—which is designed to be merely buzzwords that you could refer to and hide behind—nobody dares to pursue you behind those words because those words are effective barriers that preclude you from having to answer in substance. You could simply say, “You are misogynistic,”—and what that means is you hate women—so that everything you say, if you are labeled with “misogyny,” is neutralized. Another such term is “racist.” Once you have been given the label “racist” in a public way, you have become *persona non grata*, and everything you say is foolish, and everything you say is wicked and hateful. If you are labeled “homophobic,” as I mentioned earlier, everything you say has no relevance; people can dismiss you at will. Nobody is put to the task of pursuing truth beyond labels. And the list goes on. You know, now they invent new sexual identities that they are pansexual, and that means that they explore all sides of their being. And by the way, whatever side of their being they choose to explore is one of their own

⁴ See 2 Timothy 4:3: “For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, *because* they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers;”

inventions. But all you have to do is be a popular singing star or movie star or somebody popular, and you can label yourself however you wish.

What are we looking at? We are looking at a population that has not retained God in their knowledge.⁵ They are inventing it. They are heaping to themselves teachers for whatever they lust for. Marginal performers are now becoming front and center simply by embracing controversy and becoming the spokespersons for controversial statements. That is what is happening. Is there any way that those who are trying to get in front of this new social order will succeed in containing it, and return any measure of sanity to language and/or commonalities to concepts? Do you realize that the reason that we cannot find consensus anymore to be a functioning nation is precisely because we have gotten rid of any standard other than a personal standard, and every man is doing what is right in his own eyes? Do you understand that is what is going on? And no matter how hard you try, it is never going to go back because all of these persons want only what they want. The common good does not exist. A nation means nothing. You have these persons with no basic depth of understanding, but they have been lauded because they produced a hit album of songs, or they produced a hit movie and millions of people watched them, or they are popular on TV, or they are popular on social media; they are influencers. These are not original thinkers. They are simply giving play to language that demonic actors have invented by way of promoting of everything vile, contemptible, and evil. However, if you stand in the way and speak against any of it, nobody cares to hear; they just label you conveniently and run over you.

So, it is not going to be reversed. Is that pessimistic? No. It tells us that it is bound over for judgment. The only way to stop this is for it to reach its apogee, reach its fullest expression in all of its vulgarity, in all of its lawlessness, in all of its shredding of human decency and any standard related to God. Let us understand that all of this that we are looking at represents a mounting body of evidence that the human population no longer retains God in their knowledge as the standard by which anything is to be judged.

⁵ See Romans 1:28 KJV: “And even as they did not like to retain God in *their* knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;”

I was reading about this one witless character the other day. Her handlers and promoters have made her into an icon. And she was talking about exploring all the different sexual aspects of her being and how she was pansexual, and since she was God—I chuckled at that thought—then it was right for her to explore every aspect of being God because none of it was wrong. She is just being unrestrained by the knowledge of God. “Since they chose not to retain God in their knowledge,” Romans says, “God gave them over to a reprobate mind” (Romans 1:28). Probate is to operate by divine standards. A reprobate is one who has their own standards, and those standards only have validity because people agree with them. So it begins and ends as a personal standard with human support.

Do you think we are ever going to turn this back around? And I am especially speaking here to church people who do not understand the times they are living in. You are not going to change it. Have you even asked the question: Does God want you to change it? Because the presumption we have is, “When we see evil, we oppose evil”—we must do something about it. Not in the time of judgments. In the time of judgments, let the wicked be wicked still, and pay attention to being righteous still.⁶ It is a waste of time and it is the pinnacle of folly to try and pursue these deviant behaviors and thoughts and the persons who practice them in the public forum. They invented these forums for these specific purposes. All I am pointing out is that there will come a time, and not too long from now, when God will pour out His judgment upon this behavior. And one of the judgments upon this behavior is like the judgment upon the behaviors of false prophets of Egypt who deceived the people; it brought the judgment of sores, boils, noisome sores upon the Egyptians (Exodus 9:9-11).

When it is God’s time to deal, He will deal as He chooses, and there is no call on our part to do anything. In fact, it is the saints in heaven who make the call,⁷ but they are informed according to the standards and the timings of God’s judgments upon everyone who,

1. Received the mark of the beast,
2. And upon them which worshiped his image (Revelation 16:2).

⁶ See Revelation 22:11: “He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; he who is righteous, let him be righteous still; he who is holy, let him be holy still.”

⁷ See Revelation 16:1: “Then I heard a loud voice from the temple saying to the seven angels, ‘Go and pour out the bowls of the wrath of God on the earth.’”

Those two are particularly telling because, when they received the mark of the beast—do you remember? —they received that mark on their foreheads and on their right hands.⁸ We talked about how:

- The economy was attached to it on their right hand,
- And on their foreheads because their minds had been compromised.

So whoever had received the mark, meaning their thought processes were given over because they chose not to retain God in their knowledge, God let them run amuck.

What you are looking at, with all these linguistic inventions and gymnastics and posturing and preening and the rest of it, is the evidence of minds that have been corrupted, inasmuch as they refused to retain God in their knowledge. The language just speaks to what is in their hearts and what they have given themselves to—those who “worshiped his image.” I have seen so many of these public figures who know exactly how to create controversy and to benefit from it. You have a movie star who has not had a hit movie in a while, a singing star who has not had a hit song in a while, and what do they do? They create controversy; they say and do extreme things to gain attention. And before you know it, their publicists are leveraging their notoriety into a new movie, into a new album. Their publicists are holding them up as being advanced thinkers, progressive thinkers even. Why? Because there is a growing human population that has not retained God in their knowledge, and these characters are giving voice to what the multitude wishes to hear. But what will they do in the end thereof when, like Egypt, plagues are coming, noisome sores?

And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man, [The blood of a dead man is coagulated. It is thick. It is viscous; it has a level of viscosity that is not like living blood.] and every living soul died in the sea. [You remember that one of the plagues upon Egypt was turning the waters into blood.⁹ And it goes on to say:]

⁸ See Revelation 13:16-17: “He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads, and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.”

⁹ Exodus 7:14-25.

And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood (Revelation 16:3-4 KJ21, comments added in brackets).

“Water” here is the subject. Water is a reference to “word,” so the philosophy of the age. The “sea” here would be the sea of humanity. So all these popular godless theories will be judged. Why is that surprising? Because this is where the opposition to God was centered, in godless theologies, in godless philosophies, that people who are perishing believe. I think it interesting that every living soul died who was in the sea of dissipation. It is to say that God reveals that men are dead while they are still alive because of what they feed their minds and how they sustain their thoughts.¹⁰ This death is manifested in the singular absence of answers and of hope. Another reading of this same thing, spoken in other prophetic passages, speaks of how men’s hearts fail them because of fear.¹¹

You know, in this day when you can create your own economies on the internet, and everybody can be independent of scrutiny and immune from the things that would otherwise affect your economy, we routinely read stories of how influencers are making tens of millions of dollars a year. And the illusion is that everybody, if you had the right product, can create your own independence. We have seen every kind of public figure—and especially young people with no foundation as to what is true—be able to create business models, usually in fashion, ranging from jewelry to footwear, and they have tens of millions of followers, and they have an immunity. This describes their condition as living in the blood of dead men, in which case they are rendered dead while they are still alive themselves.

So, water that becomes blood is clearly a reference to one of the ten plagues of Egypt. But I am fascinated by the language and what it implies.

- “Became as the blood of dead men”—coagulated blood; not alive, not supplying the flesh, not filled with the nutrients that serve the body and remove the waste; blood that has stopped flowing; coagulated, lumpy blood.

¹⁰ See 1 Timothy 5:6: “But she who lives in pleasure is dead while she lives.”

¹¹ See Luke 21:26: “...men’s hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.”

- “Every living soul died in the sea.”—This does not say every living body died within the sea; it says, “every living soul.” The soul that sins, it shall die.¹² It is revealing what men have placed their hope in by way of these false things, and it is revealing the condition of men who are dead while they are still alive, separated from God and incapable of finding hope and answers.
- And, of course, when the third angel poured out upon the fountains of waters, they became as blood, which means that even the flowing waters, analogous to the Word of God, even the people who made a lie out of the things of God, they died, like the rest of humanity, from not having the eternal Word which imparts life.

We will continue with the fourth angel when we come back. I am Sam Soleyn. We will see you then. Bye-bye.

¹² See Ezekiel 18:4 KJV: “Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die.”