

Voice Of God To A Guilty World: Repent

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Well, I have an important message for you this evening, friends, and it's a matter of life and death. We live in a day in America, friends, where God is no longer blessing America but rather he is judging it. Every day in this country are sudden deaths, you see them in the news every day. I was reading about one last week where a car crashed into a home and killed the people asleep inside, freak accidents send unsuspecting souls into an eternity they are quite unprepared for. The young die as much as the old. You wake up in the morning and before the day has ended a terrible tragedy can remove your life quite suddenly. Hear me now: you can be gunned down on your way home from this meeting tonight; you can die in a car crash, or be electrocuted. America has become the land of sudden death because America has turned her back on God.

Do you believe that, friend? Do you believe that this country has turned her back on God? We have outlawed God from our public schools by making it illegal to pray. Then our schools have become killing fields. We have legislated God out of our government and God has turned away and left us to our own devices. Our society today is a cesspool of immorality like a filthy sewer that floods over every city, every town, that perverts our children and steals our very souls, the multiplied sins in the land from a perverse society who has rejected the God of the Bible.

Listen, friends, I stand here before you this evening to say that God is a God who must punish sin. Listen to me now. You may not hear a message like this but I'm going to preach it to you. God deals with sin. My Bible says in 2 Peter,

For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell,
and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;
And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a
preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the
ungodly; And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes
condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those
that after should live ungodly;

That's a warning from our Bibles, friends.

Listen, friends, the ungodly lifestyles of Americans today is enough to bring a great calamity of destruction upon this land from a provoked holy sovereign God. There's enough booze being drunk in this town tonight to drown it. There's enough fornicating

and adultery taking place as I speak to destroy this whole nation. God as Creator made the world and he can pull the rug out from under it anytime and send us all tumbling into the darkness of outer space.

My Bible says in Psalm 9:17,

The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.

The nations stand guilty today before a holy God because they have forgotten God, and not only have they forgotten him, they have rejected him, yet God is speaking to this guilty world today, friends, through his remedial judgments trying to get folks to turn back to him and repent, his remedial judgments upon the land by making it a land of sudden death. I've been alive a long time and I've never seen a time in this nation apart from times of war, where people die so suddenly by being cut down, murdered, or killed in accidents: college girls at a rest stop on the way to Spring Break; a truck tire comes spinning loose off a semi and mows them down like a freight train; a college girl gets into a car thinking it's her Uber ride and she's murdered by the driver; people go to work and are gunned down at their place of business; kids go to school and never see their family again as they are shot and killed and placed into an early grave by a madman.

This is the land of sudden death, friends. You can't argue with me about that. You've got to admit it. God is judging America, yet God has something to say to every one of us here tonight as God speaks to this nation tonight. The voice of God to a guilty world is, "Repent. Repent." And that's the title of my message this evening, friends, "The Voice Of God To A Guilty World Is Repent."

We have been fed a false Gospel message in this country in our churches for the last 60 years. I'm ashamed to say our churches of this land have dropped the ball. By representing a holy God, they've dished out a watered down Gospel that's so diluted of its saving truths it can't save a flea, much less a person hardened in their sins. We tell folks today that if they want to go to heaven, all they have to do is believe in Jesus and they will be saved, but that's a lie, friend, but that will give you a false assurance and send you right on to hell.

Man has a problem and his problem is a poison in his blood which is in his natural condition. It's passed down from his father to his father's father all the way back to Adam in the garden of Eden who disobeyed God and sinned. Man comes into this world in a ruined condition with a depraved nature and a bent toward sin. If you don't believe me, friend, all you have to do is watch little children play with their friends and soon they will steal each other's toys and exhibit their selfish nature and their disobedience to their parents because it's who they are. Man in his natural state is best described by God in the book of Job which declares,

How much more abominable and filthy is man, which drinketh iniquity like water?

Admit it, friends, you can't get enough of sin. You wallow in your sins like a hog in his wallow getting filthier and filthier, but sin leaves a stain on a person that can't wash out.

I visited the house in California where the Manson murders took place in the 1960s where those crazed hippies butchered Hollywood celebrities in their home by stabbing them to death. I'm sure you've heard about the Charles Manson murders. Well, when I lived in Los Angeles in the 1970s, a friend of mine who knew his way around town, he ran a tour company, one day he picked me up and drove me one afternoon out to the house where those murders took place. All we could do was to drive up to the white wooden fence that enclosed that property but my friend knew something. He took me out of his car and walked me over to where the gate was and he pointed down to the white wooden fence at a certain section which he was familiar with, and there I saw beneath that peeling white paint the red stain of blood that was still on that fence from where those crazy murderers rubbed their bloody hands on it writing "Helter Skelter." Those horrific murders.

Sin leaves a stain that can't be whitewashed out. It's always there on you, friend, and the more you sin, the deeper that stain goes until one day you die in your sins and you are thrust into eternity and your sins follow you there like thirsty bloodhounds chasing you down, barking that you are the guilty one. They are after the guilty, guilty with the stain of sin.

The voice of God to a guilty world is, "Repent." My Bible says in Acts 17:30,

And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent;

The voice of God to a guilty world is, "Repent," and the voice of God to you here tonight, friend, is the same, it's repent. Jesus warned his hearers, "except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish," and that means you, friend. You must repent of your sins and take your place before God as a guilty sinner. Seeking forgiveness of sin, your guilt-ridden conscience can find no relief, no pardon for sin except in the person of Christ Jesus. The stain of sin on you is crimson red and it leaves a mark on you that God can see and find you out.

In the Bible in the book of Numbers 32:23, we see the picture of the heavenly bloodhound that follows you around. He is behind every corner watching you, taking note of you. Listen to what God's word says about you in your sins,

behold, ye have sinned against the LORD: and be sure your sin will find you out.

There's no escaping sin, friend. This bloodhound from heaven will hunt you down, sniff you out. "Be sure," God says, "your sin will find you out," and your sins will send you to hell, friend, because my Bible says the soul that sinneth, it shall surely die.

Well, you say, "Preacher, what can I do? I don't want to go to hell." Listen, friend, my Bible says that a guilty sinner has one thing to do and that is to repent. The way of salvation comes by exercising repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

If you will, come with me now, friends, in your mind's eye, come with me. Walk with me, friend, to a hill outside the city of Jerusalem called Calvary. There stands a cross where the blood-stained Savior from sin, the man Jesus who is the Son of God, Jesus came into this world doing good, healing the sick and giving sight to the blind, yet what happened? Do you know what happened to Jesus? Do you know, friend? He was arrested while men cried, "Away with him!" And they nailed him to a cross. They drove nails into his innocent hands, they pounded them, hammered them, into his tender quivering feet. They nailed up the Son of God and crucified him as a common criminal. First he was stripped naked and beaten. They made a crown of thorns and stuck it on his head. Then they whipped him and spit on him. They nailed him up on that bloody cross. Look at that man on that cross, friend. Do you see that man on that cross hanging there? He writhes and wiggles in pain and suffering. Why? To be my sin-bearer. To be my sin-substitute. He takes on him the curse and the wrath of the Father so I won't have to. He died for me. That's the only way I can get the stain of sin cleansed away.

In Revelation 1:5 it says,

Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

In Hebrews we read of Jesus as our sacrifice and substitute for sin.

But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;

That's what Jesus did, friend. He is the friend of sinners. He suffered and bled and died on that cross for sin so you won't have to pay the penalty for sin in a devil's hell. He was buried in another man's tomb. He was resurrected by the power of God and he rose again. He appeared to his disciples and he ascended back into the very heaven he stepped out of to come down here so we can go up there. And now he sits at the right hand of the Father on a heavenly throne, ruling in authority, and he earned that right by way of a bloody cross. Did you hear me, friend? A bloody cross. The old hymn says, "What can wash away my sins? Nothing but the blood of Jesus." And like the title of my message tonight, friends, the voice of God to a guilty world is, "Repent." Repent. Repent.

I'm going to wrap up our meeting tonight, friends, with a time for you to get serious with God and to seek him for the grace of repentance. If you want to be free from the stain of sin, you must repent and believe on Christ Jesus. Listen to me as I say two important things to you now, friends. First, the voice of God to a guilty world is, "Repent." Secondly, God's love flows out to a world of guilty sinners.

For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.

That's a promise from the word of God, friends. Listen, friend, the cross is the place where wicked men sought to get rid of Jesus, but by his death it becomes the place where his saving power flows out to all who come in repentance – hear me now – who come in repentance, confessing they are sinners and own him as their Savior and Lord.

I'm going to close our time tonight, friends, by singing a hymn. I want you to come to Christ and believe on him. He is the only remedy in refuge for sin. He can wash your sins away, friend. There is enough power in the Gospel to save you. There is enough cleansing power in the blood of the Lamb to clean you. The slain Christ who loved me and gave himself for me, I find salvation when Christ's life is laid down and applied to me, so that when God looks at me, he says, "When I see the blood, when I see the blood."

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his
Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

If the Spirit of God, friend, has been dealing with you tonight, don't delay in this land of sudden death. You could die tonight and make your bed in hell tonight if you die outside of Christ's saving blood. There's enough power there, friend. God can save even you. Come now as I sing and get serious with God, friend, and come to Christ Jesus to save you from sin.

"Would you be free from your burden of sin?
There's power in the blood, power in the blood;
Would you o'er evil a victory win?
There's wonderful power in the blood.

There is power, power, wonder-working power,
In the blood of the Lamb;
There is power, power, wonder-working power,
In the precious blood of the Lamb.

Would you be whiter, much whiter than snow?
There's power in the blood, power in the blood;
Sin-stains are lost in its life-giving flow,
There's wonderful power in the blood.

There is power, power, wonder-working power,
In the blood of the Lamb;
There is power, power, wonder-working power,
In the precious blood of the Lamb."