

Outline – May 16, 2021  
Jeremiah 42:17-22; Luke 21:11-12; Revelation 9:18-21  
Bible And The News – Pestilence And Plagues

A Plague Of Biblical Proportion  
What Does That Mean?

- I. **Pestilence and plagues in the Bible**
  - A. Sent as a sign of discipline
    1. When complaining
    2. When drifting
  - B. Sent as a sign of deliverance
    1. To Egypt for Israel
  - C. As a sign of judgment on a nation once blessed by God, but left God
  
- II. **The types of plagues**
  - A. Disease virus/bacteria
  - B. Locusts, insects, frogs, fleas
    2. Crops destroyed
    3. Disease carried
  - C. Pollution of water
  - D. Weather disasters
    1. Hail
    2. Wind
    3. Darkness on the land
    4. Drought
  - E. Invasion (enemies)
  
- III. **The 7 primary reasons God sends plagues**
  - A. The killing of children
    1. Child sacrifice
    2. Child abuse
  - B. Perversion
    1. Calling good evil, calling evil good
    2. Embracing what God calls an abomination
    3. Redesigning what God has designed
  - C. When God is dismissed
  - D. When God is exchanged
  - E. When the worship of and prayer to false gods occur in the nations temple
  - F. Apostasy – leaving the Word, leaving the worship
  - G. When a nation turns against Israel

#### IV. Before judgment falls (a template)

- A. The hedge of protection is lifted
  - 1. The blessings are fewer
  - 2. The problems become greater
- B. A warning is given...
  - 1. Destruction comes to the place of consecration
    - a. 9/11 fits that description
- C. A set time is given to repent
  - 1. A Biblical template given – 605-586 – 19 years
  - 2. 2001-2020 – 19 years
- D. A greater shaking occurs with pestilence – In 2020:
  - 1. 500K die
  - 2. Lockdowns
  - 3. Freedoms removed
  - 4. Division occurs
  - 5. Worship denied
  - 6. Economic problems
- E. A remnant remains
  - 1. That will worship
  - 2. That will not endorse lie
  - 3. That will be persecuted

#### V. Be aware (of times in which you live)

- A. The days of Baal are here
  - 1. Prayer to pagan gods is occurring in our nation's capitol, and once Christian churches
  - 2. People are losing freedoms
  - 3. Perversion endorsed
  - 4. Children sacrificed
  - 5. People of God vilified
- B. The days of Elijah
  - 1. Unwavering
  - 2. Untainted
  - 3. Focused
  - 4. Bold
  - 5. Proclaimer of truth
  - 6. A man of courage
  - 7. A man of confidence

**VI. What are we to do**

- A. Repentance
- B. Return
- C. Revival
- D. Restore
- E. Remind
- F. Remove that which blocks us from God
- G. Reshape

**Choose This Day  
Whom You Will Serve**

**For Everything That Can Be Shaken  
Will Be Shaken**