

"REPENT!!" AN URGENT WORD FROM THE LORD TO BRITAIN!

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This call to repentance is not a cliché! It is an urgent warning from God to Britain! I have carried the burden of this message on my heart since 2020, and I am now led by the Holy Spirit to proclaim it widely. As you read this, please stand with us in prayer for this nation of four nations - England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland. (1 Timothy 2:1-4). Kindly share this word with others.

Jonah 3:4-5 NKJV

"[4] And Jonah began to enter the city on the first day's walk. Then he cried out and said, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" [5] So the people of Nineveh believed God, proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least of them."

There is a cry from God, a call of the Spirit of God to Britain,

"REPENT, FOR YOU HAVE ALREADY ENTERED INTO JUDGEMENT!"

[To get me to understand the genesis and prognosis of the current condition and predicament of Britain, the LORD asked me to study Isaiah 29. Kindly read Isaiah 29 and Romans 1:18-32, as the key scriptures for reference. Also, I will use "Britain" instead of the "United Kingdom"].

The Lord is grieved with Britain and is calling for repentance, not just for the rejection of Israel, the killing of unborn babies or the redefinition of marriage (same-sex), which are serious sins and must be repented of; however, these are symptoms of a more fundamental sin. In calling the nation to repentance, the LORD is addressing what He calls "The fundamental sin of Britain!"

THE FUNDAMENTAL SIN OF BRITAIN

Romans 1:18-19 NKJV

"[18] For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, [19] because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them."

The fundamental sin of Britain is that, after knowing and walking with God for centuries and becoming prosperous through His favour and power, Britain rejected the LORD God as the Creator. This began with the propagation of the theory of evolution. In rejecting God as the Creator, Britain also rejected Him as her God, King, Judge and Lawgiver. (Isaiah 33:22). This rejection then spread across the West, all the way to America and across the world. This is the LORD's fundamental grievance against Britain, for which we must repent!

THE HISTORIC NATURE OF BRITAIN'S SIN

Britain's rejection of God is historic; it began a long time ago with the pride and arrogance of Britain, especially during the Industrial Revolution (1760 - 1840), when the British led the world in coming up with many, many innovations and inventions.

During this period, people also began to come up with new theories and philosophies, many of which were at variance with God and His Word. Two of the most widely read literature were Charles Darwin's Essay of 1844 and On the Origin of Species published in 1859, which rejected the biblical creation story, proposed the theory of evolution and undermined God as the Creator, Originator and Possessor of humanity and the earth. The LORD bemoaned this rejection...

Isaiah 29:16 NKJV

"Surely you have things turned around! Shall the potter be esteemed as the clay; for shall the thing made say of him who made it, 'He did not make me'? Or shall the thing formed say of him who formed it, 'He has no understanding'?"

This rejection of the Almighty as Creator is what signalled the downward trend for Britain because, of course, if they had rejected God as their Creator, they would also reject Him as their King, Judge and Lawgiver, and anything associated with Him. If God does not exist, then His laws are invalid and irrelevant and need not be obeyed and adhered to! Israel would no longer be significant as God's chosen people; life would be meaningless, leading to philosophies like existentialism, creating our own 'truths.'

Unfortunately, however, since man was created to worship, people still had to worship something and science and technology (idols and works of their hands) became gods to them; they began to worship at the altar of Science.

Romans 1:20-23 NKJV

"[20] For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse, [21] because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. [22] Professing to be wise, they became fools, [23] and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man-and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things."

THE CHURCH

Typically, the Church of England did not take an official stance against Darwin's theories, although, many senior Anglicans reacted with hostility to his ideas, arguing against them at public debates.

However, by the time of Darwin's death in 1882, the Anglican Church had accepted evolution, and many people reconciled Darwin's view of life on earth with their religious faiths. Sadly, this has remained the case till date.

GOD'S JUDGEMENT

The consequences of sin and the rejection of God and His word have been predetermined by God; it is always only a matter of time before the judgement of God begins to manifest. God's dealings with the people of Israel provide a perfect template for comparison and analysis.

Therefore, the consequences of Britain's fundamental sin of rejecting God as Creator, King, Judge and Law-giver are now evident and prevalent in every weft and warp of our society; in the media, government, marriage and family, education, socio-economy, the arts and religion. Apostle Paul gave an in-depth and self-explanatory description of this in His epistle to the Romans...

Romans 1:24-32 NLT

"[24] So God abandoned them to do whatever shameful things their hearts desired. As a result, they did vile and degrading things with each other's bodies. [25] They traded the truth about God for a lie. So they worshiped and served the things God created instead of the Creator himself, who is worthy of eternal praise! Amen. [26] That is why God abandoned them to their shameful desires. Even the women turned against the natural way to have sex and instead indulged in sex with each other. [27] And the men, instead of having normal sexual relations with women, burned with lust for each other. Men did shameful things with other men, and as a result of this sin, they suffered within themselves the penalty they deserved. [28] Since they thought it foolish to acknowledge God, he abandoned them to their foolish thinking and let them do things that should never be done. [29] Their lives became full of every kind of wickedness, sin, greed, hate, envy, murder, quarrelling, deception, malicious behaviour, and gossip. [30] They are backstabbers, haters of God, insolent, proud, and boastful. They invent new ways of sinning, and they disobey their parents. [31] They refuse to understand, break their promises, are heartless, and have no mercy. [32] They know God's justice requires that those who do these things deserve to die, yet they do them anyway. Worse yet, they encourage others to do them, too."

We are seeing all these things happening in our society today. However, what we are seeing is just the beginning of God's judgement. We must gird ourselves up, for there is worse to come; as the nation spirals into further spiritual bankruptcy, darkness, economic recessions, social and moral disintegration, political upheavals, natural disasters and war! (*Isaiah 29:9-16; Ephesians 4:17-19*). This is why God is calling the Church and Britain to repentance.

REPENTANCE AND REVIVAL

"REPENT BRITAIN!" is an urgent invitation from God to the Church and people of Britain, not just to feel remorse or say sorry, but to turn around and reorient our thinking, philosophies and ideologies, values, behaviours and practices, in realignment with His worship, word, ways and Kingdom.

However, it is difficult, if not impossible to bring people to repentance without the conviction of the Holy Spirit. This is why one of the first signs of revival is the move of the Holy Spirit on the hearts of people unto repentance. As people encounter the holiness of God in the Person of the Holy Spirit, many are brought down on their knees in repentance and supplication. (*Zechariah 12:10-14*)

John 16:8-11 NKJV

"[8] And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: [9] of sin, because they do not believe in Me; [10] of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; [11] of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged."

Acts 2:37-38 NKJV

"[37] Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" [38] Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins..."

There is an urgent need for immediate, deep and sincere repentance, and this is why we need to petition God for a fresh move of His Holy Spirit upon the Church, to bring us to a place of brokenness, humility and supplication.

Jonah 3:5-10 NKJV

"[5] So the people of Nineveh believed God, proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least of them. [6] Then word came to the king of Nineveh; and he arose from his throne and laid aside his robe, covered himself with sackcloth and sat in ashes. [7] And he caused it to be proclaimed and published throughout Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, "Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything; do not let them eat, or drink water. [8] But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily to God; yes, let every one turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. [9] Who can tell if God will turn and relent, and turn away from His fierce anger, so that we may not perish?" [10] Then God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God relented from the disaster that He had said He would bring upon them, and He did not do it."

CONCLUSION

2 Chronicles 7:14 NKJV

"If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land."

God's judgement on Britain is no longer imminent, it is already here and has only just begun! However, the onus is not on God to relent; it is on the Church and people of this nation to repent and turn from our wicked and evil ways. We must turn back to God, acknowledge our sins and ask for forgiveness; we must acknowledge God for Who He is and give the honour due Him, by worshipping Him and walking in His word and ways.

Joel 2:12-17 NKJV

"[12] Now, therefore," says the LORD, "Turn to Me with all your heart, With fasting, with weeping, and with mourning." [13] So rend your heart, and not your garments; return to the LORD your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness; and He relents from doing harm. [14] Who knows if He will turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind Him- A grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God? [15] Blow the trumpet in Zion, consecrate a fast, call a sacred assembly; [16] gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children and nursing babes; let the bridegroom go out from his chamber, and the bride from her dressing room. [17] Let the priests, who minister to the LORD, weep between the porch and the altar; let them say, "Spare Your people, O LORD, and do not give Your heritage to reproach, that the nations should rule over them. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'"

THE HOLY SPIRIT

Undoubtedly, the most urgent and critical need of the entire Body of Christ at this moment is revival; a fresh outpouring and move of the Holy Spirit upon the Church! We desperately need the Holy Spirit to awaken the Church and bring us to the place of true repentance, causing us to turn from our wicked ways. We need Him to help us to refocus on Jesus Christ and live in alignment with His word. We need the Holy Spirit to enable us to boldly preach the Gospel and demonstrate the powerful works of the Kingdom, to bring many to salvation and deliverance. As we seek God's face in repentance, our heartfelt prayer and petition must also be, *"Lord pour Your Spirit afresh on Your Church!"* In Jesus' name and for His Kingdom's sake!