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GOD'S PLAN OF RESTORATION

Throughout scripture we see Israel in rebellion and God allowed their enemies to come in and control them. Then they repented and were restored. Over and over again the prophets warned them of their sin, and finally the nation was destroyed, and the Jews were scattered throughout the then known world.

God did not forget them, but there was a long wait before they became a nation again. This came about because we are in the end of the end times and Israel is the key focus point that determines prophetic timelines.

Just like Israel, God is allowing judgment to fall on nations that have turned to sin instead of turning to God. Many look at God with hatred when God is not the problem. Sin is the problem, and a nation that sins will reap the consequences of that sin. Judgment comes to bring a nation to repentance. There must be godly sorrow before that happens, and when true repentance comes things will eventually turn around. It will not happen overnight, but it will come.

God is not trying to destroy his creation. He lovingly stretches out his hand of mercy to those that truly are sorry for their sin. Once they repent, he will turn things around.

What do I see God doing? I see judgment coming on the house of the Lord for not being the church that has put God first. The present-day church is much like Laodicea of Revelation. It has everything but is still naked, wretched, and poor. God knocks on the door of that church wanting to be inside again. He never forces his way into a life or a nation, but He will have the final say and will allow things to happen to turn his creation back to him.

Will America turn back? Yes, if there is true repentance, but that repentance sadly will not come unless judgment comes first. There is a remnant that God is going to use during the dark days that are ahead. They will be the ones that will make a stand for truth no matter the cost. They will be the ones to lead many out of darkness before Jesus returns. I can only pray that you are part of that remnant.

The time of playing games is up with God. He wants the best for us and will do whatever it takes to bring us to that place. We can only pray for mercy, but even Israel did not have mercy when they were taken into captivity and then scattered. We must remember that there was not just the holocaust of the 1940's. Jews were hated for centuries before that occurred. Yet, God in his mercy brought them back after many hundreds of years.

Keep yourself close to the Lord in the next several weeks and months. Chaos will be at an all-time high. Many will be betrayed by those closest to them. Many will go through great

hardships. But remember, God will be with you through this chaos and hardship. He will be there right with you.