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The Day America Spurned God

"But as for my enemies who did not want me for their king,
bring them here and execute them in my presence."

Luke 19:27



In June of 1963, the Supreme Court upheld the argument of the atheist Madelyn Murray O'Hare and promulgated an edict with ramifications so widespread it insured that God would be evicted from public society across the entire spectrum of the American governmental system. From that day to this, not only has prayer been outlawed, God's very name has been declared anathama to the United States Constitution, and forbidden to be mentioned in any federal, state, county, city or municipal context.

Further decrees have revealed the depths of the ouster that initial edict has fostered. Not just prayer is forbidden in the public forum. Display of the cross is forbidden. The Ten Commandments are forbidden. The Bible is forbidden. Nativity plays are forbidden. Even the mere mention of the names "God" or "Jesus" in schools are forbidden. More than that, anything even suggestive of those names is forbidden.

No question about it, Pharaoh's heart has changed (Exod.14:4).

The government's legal decision hit like an earthquake when it was first delivered! Up to that moment, most people considered the United States government tantamount to a church. The morality echoed by both was virtually identical. It was that perceived union which inspired the public's reverence for its political system in the first place. Just as it is today, almost every person in the country at the time of the Court decision was Christian.

Displays of the Ten Commandments, the parables, Gospel quotations and Christian exhortations were everywhere. There were prayers in public schools, in public forums, virtually all government affairs and congress. Public grammar schools conducted nativity plays. The morality of the society was Judeo-Christian. Forgiveness was an essential principle in the land. Factors other than money drove the national mind. Businesses closed their doors on Good Friday. God and Jesus were ubiquitous in almost every aspect of American society.

Suddenly all that was gone. All of it purged from the American scene in one sudden ruling.

That ruling was less a decision about school-sanctioned prayer than it was a decision about the constitution itself. MM O'Hare is the figurehead of this decision because she led the cause. As an atheist, she filed her petition on the grounds of separation of church and state, evoking the Constitution's own words. The reward went to atheism. There was no compromise, no blending of the past with the future. The Court agreed with her and threw God out of the public arena. For all intents and purposes, the Court ruled the U.S. Constitution a Godless document. The Godly do not even have a place in it. The atheists not only have a place in it, they now own it. The realization of that horrifying thought left much of the nation aghast.

Not only was there was no place for God in the Constitution, the Court ruled there never would be. Like a baby in a custody suit, the Constitution was brought into court with MM O'Hare claiming it belonged to her instead of the Godly parents that had been raising it for the previous 200 years. The Court examined the writing, tested it, and, in the end, said to her, 'You're right, Madeline, God has no place in this document.' So they stripped it out of the hands of the God-fearing people who had been loving and nourishing it since 1776, and handed it to O'Hare instead, the woman who hated God. 'Here, it's all yours', they said as they handed the document to its new mother. She was euphoric in her victory. The people of righteousness were dumbfounded in their grief. The court had taken the constitution out of their hands and given it to the atheist. There was no compromise. There is no place here, ruled the Court, for two mothers.

Immediately, as proof of what had just happened, God was stripped from all aspects of the government. It was a national purge. The consequences were enormous. So was the purge. Out went Christmas, the public decorations and Creche displays, the writing, the moral lessons, the Ten Commandments, the nativity plays in schools, and on and on and on. The word "God" had suddenly become anathema in the public forum and was stripped away as if it were as incendiary as a Communist call to arms.

There were many subsequent decisions, but the court never wavered in its initial assessment. The purge was relentless. It was the first in a series of decisions the Supreme Court issued deciding God's place in our system of government. They ruled He had no

place in our constitution, and therefore no place in our governmental society. They made God the forbidden fruit of the nation. His name could not be mentioned in the public forum, His Son's name could not be mentioned, nor could His words or commandments be seen or discussed, especially by the nation's school children. Today, 40 years later, we see the corporate and media worlds joining forces with the government to expand the purge to the very limits of the national society. So deadly is the idea of God to our Court that Karl Marx can be mentioned and Marx's words can be taught, but not Christ's. A Lyric by John Lennon can hang in a courthouse, but not the Ten Commandments.

With heads spinning the people have tried to comprehend this seemingly illogical interpretation concerning separation of church and state. How could it be twisted to mean the expulsion of God from the American public arena? How could it be used to shred our former way of life and strip it naked of Deity? How could it mean the word "God" was now a forbidden term in public school or any other government institution? How could it come to mean an historic cross microscopically hidden in a crowded [county seal](#) had to be expunged?

My own thinking is that the Court made a mistake. Either they were incompetent or they used a faulty test when they made their examination and ruled the Constitution a document for atheists only. I think the opinion needs to be readdressed and ruled on again. It seems to me unconscionable that our country has been mandated to atheism by our own judiciary. There must be room for the presence and mention of God in school and in the public forum, just as there is room for being anti-God.

When the WW-II Memorial was erected recently in Washington D.C., a quotation by Franklin Delano Roosevelt, was altered to purge his phrase "so help me God" from the plaque. Because of the Supreme Court's knee-jerk response to MM O'Hare, godlessness is now the nation's highest principle. When 90% of the U.S. population is religious and 85% of it Christian, that is an egregious error begging to be corrected as quickly as possible.

What are the consequences for spurning God? Does this separation between God and government remove the shield of Grace that has guarded our country since its inception? If so, what can we expect? Did God send us any warning, any sign?

Five months after the American Supreme Court expelled Jesus, the president of the United States was assassinated. John Kennedy fell to an assassin's bullet in Dallas, Texas. Two months after that Johnson plunged the United States into the Vietnam War. Using the Gulf of Tonkin as an excuse, he ordered 400,000 troops sent into Viet Nam to replace the 15,000 American 'Advisors' who were there when he became president. The war he pushed lasted ten years and killed, maimed or wounded over 200,000 Americans. But, perhaps the most telling sign of all occurred exactly nine months after the Supreme Court ruling. It came on Good Friday, on the anniversary of the Lord's crucifixion.

On that day, in April of 1964 the United States suffered its worst earthquake and tidal wave in recorded history, a 9.2 behemoth that shattered Alaska and sent massive tidal waves roaring across the Pacific coastline, obliterating towns all across Alaska before smashing its way southward all the way to the port of Los Angeles where, even in that distant city, it inflicted more than a hundred thousand dollars in damages.

But all that was just the warning.

An earthquake on Good Friday seems, in itself, a sign. In the ninth hour, just after 3 PM, when Jesus died on the cross, the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom, and an earthquake split the rocks.

"Meanwhile, the centurion, together with the others guarding Jesus, had seen the earthquake and all that was taking place, and they were terrified and said, 'In truth this was a son of God.'" (Mat.27:54).

In Bible chronology, the Good Friday earthquake and its tidal waves in America occurred in the eleventh hour (just after 5 PM), during the ninth hour of Alaskan daylight.

A sign? If so, coming just nine months after America had removed God from its government, it seemed also a signal of the lateness of the world's hour. Roget's Thesaurus calls the eleventh hour the "crucial moment, the critical moment, the decisive moment, the moment of truth; the psychological moment; the nick of time; the zero hour, the H hour, D day, the deadline."

Was the Madelyn Murray O'Hare ruling America's moment of truth? Did it (over a period of nine months) give birth to a stream of fateful proofs? Are we racing now against a deadline set by God? Was that Supreme Court decision the zero hour for our country? Scripture says yes to all of these. The Bible tells us the denial of God is always fatal. According to scripture, America and the other nations of the western world, by removing God from the mastheads of their stately ships, have struck off on a course to oblivion.

Ignoring the warnings and refusing to repent it's decision to governmentally abandon God, our nation has steadily enlarged the gap between itself and safety.

We can only conclude that the "Great Revolt" Paul predicted (2 Thes.2:3) has now taken place and even the United States has succumbed to its influence. For this reason, it is important that we examine the signs and become cognizant of the events that scripture has declared will precede and accompany the "day of vengeance" made manifest by the rebellion.

The most obvious of these signs are the very ones which followed the Supreme Court's O'Hare decision, i.e., assassination (Jer.44:29-30), [earthquake](#) (Mat.24:7), warfare (Mat.24:6) and [tidal wave](#) (Jer.51:42). These seem to be the most important in terms of the Revolt and its consequences, but there are many more. Jesus tells us there will be signs in the sun and moon and stars. We can expect to see lawlessness so virulent that love on earth will virtually disappear. Worldwide distress beyond anything ever seen before will follow in its wake. There will be widespread famine; even cosmic "hailstones". All of this because the world has rejected and spurned Christ's offer of peace.

The denial of God brings catastrophe. That is what the signs all point to. The separation of America from God guarantees, not justice, only trouble. It removes the shield of grace that protects our nation from the assaults of Satan and nature. Unless our government reverses its fateful course, our nation seems certain to have to participate in the mechanism of God's Judgment. That has already been made evident.

In 2001, God made our nation the billboard for His day of vengeance.

On September 11th, of that year, 38 years after the Supreme Court's decision on O'Hare's petition was declared the law of the land, the images of the 18th chapter of the Book of Revelation were written on the walls of America's city towers.

The world is Babylon and America has become the world's policeman. That makes America the "wall of Babylon's protection." We didn't want to be, but God has forced us against our will to become the wall of Babylon. That is why 9/11 was so fateful. God was able to display Revelation's fateful chapter before the eyes of the whole world in a sure sign of the certain fate that lies ahead.

According to Jeremiah, the proof of the times will be written in the assassination of the "Pharaoh of Egypt" (Jer.44:29-30). If that is accompanied by an earthquake and the tidal waves against Babylon so widely prophesied, it will bring us full circle to 1963.

Scripture tells us that the world has been living the past 2000 years in a "year of favor" from God. It is called the "millenium" because scripture tells us a year to God is like a thousand years to man. God has almost doubled that period of world grace, just as Joshua said He would (Josh.10:12-15).

Jesus began His ministry by standing up in a synagogue in Nazareth and reading words from a text by the prophet Isaiah. The text of His reading concerned the "year of favor" that has created the rule of Christ on earth for the last 20 centuries - God's offer of peace to the world. Jesus told the congregation listening to Him that Isaiah's words were about Himself and that they were being fulfilled in their hearing:

*"The spirit of the Lord God has been given to me,
for God has anointed me.
He has sent me to bring good news to the poor,
to bind up hearts that are broken;
to proclaim liberty to captives,
freedom to those in prison;
to proclaim a year of favor from the Lord,
a day of vengeance for our God..." (Is.61:1-2).*

For almost 2000 years historians have revealed a world bathed in the Gospel of Christ through the active encouragement of western governments. God's year of favor became a hundred years and then a thousand years and then another thousand. Century after century, Satan's captives all over the earth were set free and led to safety by the cross of Christ. Assisted in their flight by the governments of the world, the journey of God's people from this world to the next was made easier by those who ruled them with God in mind.

Only in the last 100 years has world encouragement seriously faltered. First evident in Europe, we have watched an astonishing reversal of the western world's support of Jesus since then. Although last in the list of governments to denounce Him, nowhere in the world has the official denial of God been more dramatically and clearly stated than in the United States of America, thanks to MM O'Hare.

The rule of Christ was first created on earth when the Roman Empire ordered the purge of Godlessness from its empire and put God in charge of its government. Our Supreme Court has done exactly the reverse. They have overturned Constantine. Now it is God who is being purged from the government and Godlessness championed in His place.

Scripture warns that God's year of favor will end (and the day of vengeance begin) when Christ's offer of reconciliation is spurned by a revolt of the people and their governments who, prophecy predicts, will throw off his rule and toss Him and His words out of their hearing (2 Thes.2:3). Prophecy is clear. That revolt brings the tribulation and the Judgment.

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The ACLU Says: The Cross Must Go, But the Pagan goddess Can Stay

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES OFFICIAL SEAL

In a landmark decision, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors agreed with the ACLU that the tiny cross of Christ, honoring the California Missions, should be removed from their county seal.

The fact that that same seal was boldly emblazoned in its center with the standing golden statue of the goddess Pomona did not seem to bother either the LA County Board of Supervisors or the ACLU. Pagan gods and goddesses are acceptable. Only the cross is forbidden since it might bring to mind Christ's sacrifice. When this paradox was brought to the Board's attention, both images were removed. The image of the pagan goddess was replaced by an indian maiden.

When the Romans destroyed the Jewish temple in Jerusalem, they erected on its ashes a temple to the Greco-Roman god Zeus in its place. Many at the time considered this the fulfillment of Daniel's prophecy concerning the "abominable desecration" of the holy place. In Old Testament times it would have been. When Antiochus Epiphanes desecrated the temple altar with paganism in 167 B.C., it created the archetype for the terrible desecration prophecy.

Jesus affirmed Daniel's prophecy and predicted that it would be repeated in the last days as a sign to the world that the end had come. The fact that the pagan statue did not end the world when the Romans erected it on the Temple Mount was because Jesus, not a Jewish building in Jerusalem, is the true temple. Apostasy against Christ in Babylon is the true desecration that will end the world.

When Constantine accepted Jesus as Lord and Savior, he did not create a theocracy in Christ, but, instead, gave Him the seat of honor at the royal table of Babylon:

"Evil-merodach, king of Babylon, in the year he came to the throne, pardoned Jehoiachin king of Judah and released him from prison. He treated him kindly and allotted him a seat above those of the other kings who were with him in Babylon. And his upkeep was permanently insured by the king of Babylon for the rest of his life, day after day until his dying day." (Jer.52:31-34).

Christ has, from that day, been similarly honored by all the governments of the western world, a span of almost 2000 years. Those honors began to collapse in the 19th century; and virtually disappeared during the 20th century as the nations all changed their minds and began to discard the God they had formerly honored.

The Psalms tell us the royal power of all the governments of the world comes from God. Those who honor Him will be honored and protected by God, but those who reject Him

will operate outside His protection.

"If the Lord had not been on our side - let Israel repeat it - If the Lord had not been on our side when they attacked us, they would have swallowed us alive and burnt us to death in their rage. the waters would have closed over us, the torrent have swept us away, either would have drowned us in their turbulent waves. (Ps.124:1-8).

"Listen then, kings, and understand; rulers of remotest lands, take warning; hear this, you who have thousands under your rule, who boast of your hordes of subjects. For power is a gift to you from the Lord, sovereignty is from the Most High; he himself will probe your acts and scrutinize your intentions. If, as administrators of his kingdom, you have not governed justly nor observed the law, nor behaved as God would have you behave, he will fall on you swiftly and terribly. Ruthless judgment is reserved for the high and mighty; the lowly will be compassionately pardoned, the mighty will be mightily punished." (Wis. 6:1-8).

Since 1963 when the U.S. Supreme Court began dismantling Christ's seat of honor at the royal table of the American government, it's officials have stripped almost every mention of His name or His Father's name, and every symbol that might call them to mind, from the nation's schools and public squares. Even prayer is forbidden in those places.

But the decision in Los Angeles went further. The ACLU mounted a frontal assault on an obscure cross honoring the history of the California Missions, but was unconcerned with the large pagan goddess that emblazoned the seal's central panel. The ACLU's true focus and intent could not have been more clear.

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Galatians 2:10

Earthquakes in Prophecy



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"Prepare nations to make war on her: the king of Media with his governors and dignitaries and the whole territory under his rule. Then the earth trembled and writhed, for the Lord's plan against Babylon was going forward: to change the country of Babylon into an unpopulated desert." (Jer.51:28-29).

"See how the Lord lays the earth waste, makes it a desert, buckles its surface, scatters its inhabitants, priest and people alike, master and slave, mistress and maid, seller and buyer, lender and borrower, creditor and debtor. Ravaged, ravage the earth, despoiled, despoiled, as the Lord has said." (Is.24:1-3)

"Yes, the sluiceways above will open, and the foundations of the earth will rock. The earth will split into fragments, the earth will be riven and rent. The earth will shiver and shake, the earth will stagger like a drunkard, sway like a shanty; so heavy will be its sin on it, it will fall never to rise again." (Is.24:18-20).

"God is our shelter, our strength, ever ready to help in time of trouble, so we shall not be afraid when the earth gives way, when mountains tumble in the depths of the sea, and its waters roar and seethe, the mountains tottering as it heaves." (Ps.46:1-3).

"Quake, earth, at the coming of your Master, at the coming of the God of Jacob, who turns rock into pool and flint into fountain." (Ps.114:7).

"Suddenly, unexpectedly, you shall be visited by the Lord God Almighty with thunder, earthquake, mighty din, hurricane, tempest, flame of devouring fire." (Is.29:5).

"In my zeal and fiery wrath I declare that at that time there shall be a great

earthquake in the land of Israel." (Ez. 38:19)

"The words of Amos, one of the shepherds of Tekoa--what he saw concerning Israel two years before the earthquake, when Uzziah was king of Judah and Jeroboam son of Jehoash was king of Israel." (Amos 1:1)

"Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places." (Mat. 24:7)

"Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places, and famines. These are the beginning of birth pains." (Mark13:8)

"There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven. " (Luke 21:11)

"When the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus saw the earthquake and all that had happened, they were terrified, and exclaimed, "Surely he was the Son of God!" (Mat. 27:54)

"There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it" (Mat 28:2)

"Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everybody's chains came loose" (Acts 16:26)

"I watched as he opened the sixth seal. There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red," (Rev. 6:12 I)

"Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and hurled it on the earth; and there came peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning and an earthquake." (Rev. 8:5)

"At that very hour there was a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city collapsed. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the survivors were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven." (Rev. 11:13)

"Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and within his temple was seen the ark of his covenant. And there came flashes of lightning, rumblings,

peals of thunder, an earthquake and a great hailstorm." (Rev. 11:19)

"Then there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder and a severe earthquake. No earthquake like it has ever occurred since man has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake." (Rev. 16:18)

"Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country. You who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn; and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat? God swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done'. Is this not the reason for the earthquakes, for its inhabitants all mourning, and all of of the land heaving like the Nile..." (Amos 8:4-8).

"Now at daybreak on the third day there were peals of thunder on the mountain and lightning flashes, a dense cloud, and a loud trumpet blast, and inside the camp all the people trembled. Then Moses led the people out of the camp to meet God; and they stood at the bottom of the mountain. The mountain of Sinai was entirely wrapped in smoke, because God had descended on it in the form of fire. Like smoke from a furnace the smoke went up, and the whole mountain shook violently" (Ex.19:16-19).

"The seventh angel emptied his bowl into the air, and a voice shouted from the sanctuary, 'The end has come'. Then there were flashes of lightning and peals of thunder and the most violent earthquake that anyone has ever seen since there have been men on the earth. The Great City was split into three parts and the cities of the world collapsed; Babylon the Great was not forgotten...every island vanished and the mountains disappeared; and hail, with great hailstones weighing a talent each fell from the sky on the people." (Rv.16:17-21)

"God will gather all the nations to Jerusalem for battle. The city will be taken, the houses plundered, the women ravished. Half the city will go into captivity, but the remnant of the people will not be cut off from the city. Then God will take the field; he will fight against these nations as he fights in the day of battle." On that day, his feet will rest on the Mount of Olives, which faces Jerusalem from the east. The Mount of Olives will be split in half from east to west, forming a huge gorge; half the Mount will recede northwards, other half southwards. And the Vale of Hinnom will be filled up from Goah to Jasol; it will be blocked as it was by the earthquake in the days

of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the Lord your God will come, and all the holy ones with Him." (Zc.14:2-5).

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Sea Waves in Prophecy



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"The sea will rise over Babylon, she will sink under its roaring waves."
(Jer.51:42).

"The sea has risen over Babylon, she sinks under its boisterous waves. Her towns have been turned into desert, a parched land, a wilderness: no one lives in them, no man goes that way." (Jer. 51:42-43).

"Now you are shattered by the waves, surrounded by the seas." (Ezek. 27:34).

"For the Lord says this: 'When I make you as desolate as any depopulated city, when I bring up the deep against you and the ocean covers you, I will cast you down with those who go down to the pit. I will make you an object of terror. You will not exist.' Ez.26:19-21.

"There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamor of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. " (Lk.21:25-26).

"The Lord is good, a refuge in the day of trouble; and he knows those who trust in him. But with an overwhelming flood he will make an end of that place and pursue his foes into the darkness." (Nahum 1:7-8).

"God is our shelter, our strength...so we shall not be afraid when the earth gives way, when mountains tumble into the depths of the sea, and its waters roar and seethe, the mountains tottering as it heaves." (Ps.46:1-3).

"The Lord thundered from heaven, the Most High made his voice heard; he let his arrows fly and scattered them, launched the lightnings and routed them. The bed of the seas was revealed, the foundations of the world were

laid bare, at your muttered threat, Lord, at the blast of your nostrils' breath. He sends from on high and takes me, he draws me from deep waters, he delivers me from my powerful enemy, from a foe too strong for me." (Ps.18:13-17).

"The second angel blew his trumpet, and it was as though a great mountain, all on fire, had been dropped into the sea: a third of the sea turned into blood, a third of all the living things in the sea were killed, and a third of all ships were destroyed." (Rev.8:8-9).

"...he will arm creation to punish his enemies; he will put on justice as a breastplate, and for helmet wear his righteous judgment; he will take up invincible holiness for shield, he will forge a biting sword of his stern wrath, and the universe will march with him to fight the reckless. Bolts truly aimed, the shafts of lightning will leap, and from the clouds, as from a full-drawn bow, fly to their mark; and the catapult will hurl hailstones charged with fury. The waters of the sea will rage against them, the rivers engulf them without pity. The breath of the Lord will blow against them and winnow them like a hurricane. So lawlessness will bring the whole earth to ruin and evil-doing bring the thrones of the mighty down." (Wis.5:17-24).

"There in the north, there by the river Euphrates, they have collapsed, have fallen. Who was it rose like the Nile, its waters foaming like a torrent? Why, Egypt rose like the Nile, its waters foaming like a torrent. 'I will rise,' he said 'and drown the earth; sweep towns and their inhabitants away!" (Jer.46:6-8).

"Now Jeremiah had written down the entire disaster that was to befall Babylon in a special book, all these words recorded here as regards Babylon. Jeremiah then said to Seraiah, 'When you reach Babylon, make a point of reading out every one of these words, Then say, "God, you yourself have proclaimed that this place will be destroyed, that no one will live here ever again, neither man nor beast, but that it will remain desolate forever". When you have finished reading this book, tie a stone to it and throw it into the middle of the Euphrates, with the words, "So shall Babylon sink, never to rise again from the disaster with which I am going to overwhelm her".' Here ends the words of Jeremiah." (Jer.51:59-64).

"I mean to cause many nations to surge against you like the sea and its waves." (Ez.26:3). "

"Till the soil, daughter of tarshish, the harbor is no more. He has stretched his hand over the sea to overthrow its kingdoms; the Lord has ordained the

destruction of the fortresses of Canaan." (Is. 23:10-11).

"Vast hordes thundering, with thunder like thundering seas, the roaring of nations roaring like the roar of mighty waters. He rebukes them and far away they flee, driven off like chaff on the mountains before the wind, like an eddy of dust before the storm. At evening all was terror; before morning comes they are no more. " (Is. 17:12-14).

"The Lord God of Hosts - he touches the earth and it melts, and all its inhabitants mourn; it all heaves, like the Nile, and subsides, like the river of Egypt. He has built his high dwelling place in the heavens and supported his vault on the earth; he summons the waters of the sea and pours them over the land. The Lord is his name." (Amos 9:5-6)

"If the Lord had not been on our side - let Israel repeat it - If the Lord had not been on our side when they attacked us, they would have swallowed us alive and burnt us to death in their rage. the waters would have closed over us, the torrent have swept us away, either would have drowned us in their turbulent waves. (Ps.124:1-8).

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