

Deuteronomy 32:35

'Vengeance is Mine, and retribution, in due time their foot will slip; for the day of their calamity is near, and the impending things are hastening upon them.'

On July 8, 1741, Jonathan Edwards used this text in Enfield, Connecticut to preach one of his most memorable sermons, "Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God." I believe that the men and women of today as a whole have attained new lows of wickedness, than those of the people in 1741. Yet, has God changed? Absolutely not! America has become a cesspool of immorality, and her people a degenerate nation. Sin is not limited to those who are lost in this world only; unfortunately it is also in the church, as well as in the church leadership. We have diluted the message of Jesus Christ, to where few hold any fear of God's righteous judgment. The church has become more concerned with 'Political Correctness' than with speaking and living according to the unchangeable Word of God! Hell has been watered down to where few hold little, if any fear of its eternal torment. Many have taken the Bible, and tried to line it up with their choices and lifestyles; but God's Word will never line up with sin. Instead, the Holy Bible is the plumb line that we are to line our lives up to. Our society and churches are full of decadent people who hold no shame for their unrepentive sin. If God was just to judge Sodom and Gomorrah, then what is to keep Him from judging America? Do we really believe that we can maintain our silent acceptance of abortion and homosexuality, and not face an Angry God? Do you not think that 50 million aborted babies, constitutes a righteous response? Parades of homosexual men and lesbians blatantly march and chant on our streets, as if to spit in the eye of God; yet the church does and says very little, if anything. Where are the Jonathan Edwards of our day, a man of conviction, who publicly declare that sin, is sin? I see that we have become a nation of moral lepers; because one of the effects of leprosy is to lose sensation and experience muscle paralysis of extremities, such as hands and feet. Have we not become a nation that has lost our moral sense of right and wrong?

Look with me at **Psalms 81:11-12,** ¹¹ **"But My people did not listen to My voice; and Israel did not obey Me.** ¹² **"So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their heart, to walk in their own devices.** Has the Living God turned this nation over to a reprobate mind? We have become so concerned with being tolerant, that we no longer concern ourselves to read and follow God's standards. Our moral compass just spins in circles, unable to guide us as a people. What is so interesting about all of this is that for the untrained human who becomes lost in the wilderness, and seeks to get out; they will more times than not, walk in circles. Without God and His compass, meaning His written Word, society follows the exact same pattern. It doesn't take great discernment to see that most people today walk in their own devices. Look at the faces of the people that you come in contact with daily, and what do you see? You see hopelessness, anger if not rage, you see people lonely and starving for affection, only to sell themselves into immoral slavery, just so they can be touched by another human. Church, what are we doing about all of this? If all we are doing is judging and condemning them, then we have missed our mark. The first thing that we need to do, is to get our lives right with our Maker, and then to reach out and dare to touch this lost and dying generation for Jesus Christ! If we don't, then our calamity may be closer than we think.