


Eight Things That Guarantees God's Anger

Matthew 23: 13-24


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A photograph showing two individuals climbing a steep, light-colored rock face. The person in the foreground is wearing a blue jacket and dark pants, reaching up towards the second person. The second person is higher up the rock, wearing dark clothing, and is also reaching down towards the first person. The background features a blue sky with scattered white clouds and a range of brown, rocky mountains with patches of snow at the base.

**"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way
you will fulfill the law of Christ."**

Galatians 6:2

An open book is shown from a top-down perspective. The pages are dark and have a glossy, reflective surface. The central gutter of the book is where two pages are folded upwards, meeting at the top to form a heart shape. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light color. The text is overlaid on the lower half of the book's pages.

***A new command I give you: Love one another.
As I have loved you, so you must love one
another. By this all men will know that you
are my disciples, if you love one another.***

- John 13:34-35 -



Tallit
Garment
Spec – prayer shawl

tassels

Phylactery
(box)
Scripture
Inside box
Deuteronomy
6: 4-9



Head
strap

Tefillin

Arm
strap

Verse 13

**Those who keep people from Jesus
guarantees God's anger**

What is a hypocrite?

Someone who is wearing a mask; a phony

What is “Woe”?

A strong expression of condemnation

There is a serious woe to anyone who shuts up the kingdom of heaven from another person

Verse 14

**Those who exploit widows
guarantees God's anger**

Pharisees would rob widows blind, bilk them out of their assets, and exploit them

Sounds familiar – have you ever heard of *“send me your seed money”*?

What about prayer cloths and anointing oil - any gimmick to extract money from the poor

Verse 15

**Those Pharisees who win over another
guarantees God's anger**

Deception can look good and sound good, but is ultimately rotten to the core

Today, there are many mass defections in Christianity (*evangelicals*)

There are many de-converting and influencing others to de-convert

Why the deconversions?

Soft western Christianity has produced a rash of false converts

Scripture warns us that this will happen prior to Christ's return

A Departure from the Faith

***“Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition”
(2 Thess 2:3, NKJV)***

Verse 16 - 22

**Those with unfulfilled oaths
guarantees God's anger**

**There is no such thing as a phony oath or
vow – *if you vow it, it is binding!***

**Jesus addresses oaths in His Sermon on the
Mount**

Matthew 5:33-37 (NIV)

³³"Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.' ³⁴But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne; ³⁵or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King. ³⁶And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black. ³⁷All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one."

Is giving an oath or a vow wrong?

IS SWEARING WRONG?

- **Taking an oath is not a sin**
 - **God takes an oath (Gen 22, Heb 6)**
 - **Paul takes oaths (Rom 1:9, 2 Cor 1:23, Phil 1:8, 1 Thess 2:5)**
 - **Jesus responds to being put under oath (Matt 26:63)**
- **But God warns against breaking that oath or swearing by anything else (Deut 6:13, 10:20)**

Verse 23 - 24

**Those who are blind guides
guarantees God's anger**

Blind guides focus on their values, *not on God's values!*

Jesus' focus: Justice, mercy, and faith

Their focus: The little things they valued

CLOSING THOUGHTS: *WOE TO AMERICA*

**The Pharisee's intimidation bombs
bombarded the mind with untruths**

**Disciples of Christ counter these untruths
with truth bombs of God and His Word**



TRUTH BOMB

A Disciple's truth bomb is not designed to degrade or belittle another person

A truth bomb is designed to allow a person to think about what they are believing as truth

Most people are simply wanting to validate a lifestyle that is appealing to them

Scripture clarity is found in 2 Timothy 4: 3-4

People tend to believe what they want to believe, what appeals to their sinful nature

We must know that truth is truth even when someone will not embrace the truth

The battle today is for truth!

Jesus before Pilate on truth: John 18: 37b-38a

“Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice. Pilate said to Him, “What is truth?”

This is a profound question!!

Jesus says:

I am the Way and the Truth

The Holy Spirit is truth!

Thy Word is truth!

Satan is the god of this world; he is in control of media, education, and corporate America, etc.!

Satan has entered the so-called Church with lies and untruths

Satan wants your mind and your children's minds: Transgender story hour is not innocent fun



Transgender indoctrination hour

What is behind all of this insanity and MADNESS?

If you abandon Me and follow the gods of this world, the consequence -

Deuteronomy 28: 28

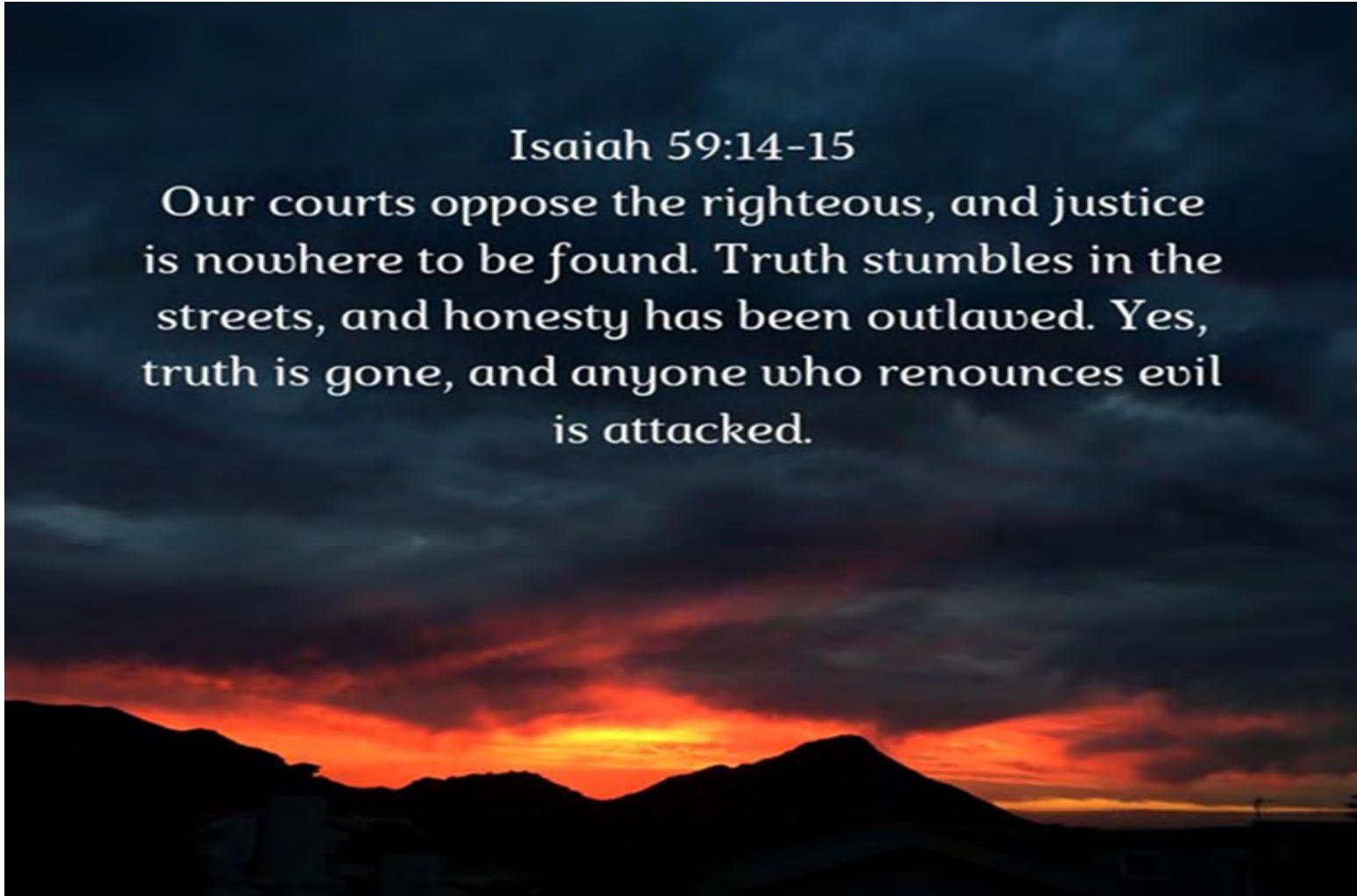
“The Lord will strike you with madness and blindness and confusion of heart.”

What we are seeing in America is the maddening and blinding of American culture!

Think about law and order in America

Isaiah 59:14-15

Our courts oppose the righteous, and justice is nowhere to be found. Truth stumbles in the streets, and honesty has been outlawed. Yes, truth is gone, and anyone who renounces evil is attacked.



When a nation abandons the true God, false gods pour in with their values, *and madness follows!*

What are these gods doing?

Attack God's standard for the home

Attack God's standard for gender roles

Attack God's standard for life (abortion)

YOUR MARCHING ORDERS:

GUARD > BATTLE > RESIST

- 1) Guard what you allow into your mind
- 2) Battle for truth; stay in the battle for God's truth
- 3) Resist – resist the devil and he will flee
Resist his mind games, his indoctrination

I believe we are living out the following statement in America today (*JUDGMENT*)

Those who keep people from
the truth of God
GUARANTEES GOD'S ANGER!!

We must speak the truth in love while we can

We are the Holy Spirit filled Church restraining
the madness in our culture (*people are
resisting!*)

MARANATHA!

EVEN SO COME LORD JESUS!!

SAVE US FROM THIS MADNESS!!!