

# CANADA'S SINS

## AND GOD'S JUDGMENT

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According to the ancient Babylonian Talmud (BC 1,000): *“The only time in history that men were given in marriage to men and women were given in marriage to women was in the Days of Noah.”* That is scary stuff, when you realize that the reason God sent the Flood to destroy all mankind was His punishment for the sins of that generation!

This is the *first generation since the Flood* in which twenty-six nations, including **Canada**, have officially legalized same-sex relationships calling it marriage! *Seventy- six nations oppose this unhealthy lifestyle.* The Babylonian Talmud reported on this, one thousand years before the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ!

The Bible says: **“And the Lord said, because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their SIN is grievous...the Lord rained upon Sodom and Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the Lord out of Heaven. And He overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants in those cities, and that which grew on the ground.”** (Genesis 18: 20,21; 19:24, 25)



Pleading for Sodom, Abraham asked God to hold back His judgment on that city, if there were 50 righteous people there. Abraham continued pleading: **“And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure TEN be found there. And He said, I will NOT destroy it for ten’s sake. And the Lord went His way, as soon as He had left communing with Abraham...”** (Gen. 18: 32, 33)

**St. Jude** warned: **“And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, He hath reserved in everlasting chains under DARKNESS unto the judgment of the great day. Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.”** (Jude 6,7)

St. Peter said: **“But beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.**

***“But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the***

***earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness.***

***“Looking for and hasting unto the coming of Day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.***

***“Wherein, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of Him in peace, without spot, and blameless.”*** (2 Peter 3: 8-14)

God says: "Repent and turn yourselves from all your transgressions. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. And I will put My Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes, and ye shall keep My judgments, and do them." (Ezekiel 18:31; 36:26,27)

***Corruption, perversion, immorality, drunkenness, drug abuse and violence are all emerging at the same time. That is a reflection of the low moral attitude of our politicians and their lack of adherence to God's laws!***

It means that SIN is in fashion and old-time holiness and righteousness is not in vogue. It means that mankind is inherently sinful and getting worse as the years come and go. It means that we are all candidates for a sweeping revival of God consciousness!

## **WHAT IS THE ANSWER?**

We need to do as the Bible commands. We must REPENT of our pride, arrogance, self-righteousness and believing that we can make it on our own. We cannot! The Bible says: **“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.”** (Is. 53: 6); **“For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God.”** (Rom.3:23)

Here is the Answer: “Repentance toward God and Faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.” (Acts 20:21). And Obedience to the Holy Bible which is God's Word. What we need in our leaders is humility before God and bedrock faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, because they cannot do it on their own.

Our foolish pride has deceived us and in our folly we have looked to the genius of man and discovered that we have fallen into a trap of our own making. We have set up our own gods which are made in our image and we have lost our way.

**Malcom Muggeridge**, former Marxist, celebrated writer, broadcaster and actor who converted to Christ stated:

*"Christ is the only answer to an insane world, they need to understand that the trouble with the Western Civilization is not economic but mere good and evil. They are thinking they can make things work by politics, inventions, but man will never live on this planet without God."*

## **THE GOSPEL CHANGES EVERYTHING!**

**William Gladstone**, Statesman and unquestionably one of Great Britain's most able, and greatest legal minds in the 1800s stated: *"Talk about the questions of the day! There is but one question and that is the Gospel. That can and will correct everything."*

*"I am glad to say that about all the men at the top in Great Britain are Christians. I have been in public positions fifty-eight years, all but eleven of them in the Cabinet of the British Government, and during those forty-seven years have been associated with sixty of the master minds of the century, and all but five of the sixty were Christians."*

WOW!!! What a statement coming from the Greatest British Prime Minister who ever lived! It is little wonder then that Queen Victoria stated: *"I could wish that Jesus*

*Christ would return in my lifetime.*” When she was asked, “Why?” she answered: “*I would so love to lay my crown at His feet.*”

God had to judge Nebuchadnezzar the great king of Babylon, when PRIDE entered his heart. For seven years he was out of his mind living like a wild beast, until he acknowledged his sin and gave glory to God. Then his mind returned to him and his kingdom was returned to him.

**King Belshazzar** knew what had happened to his grandfather and yet he blasphemed the God of heaven. He magnified the gods of the pagan and showed utter contempt for the vessels of Jehovah, therefore the Almighty God judged him.

At that drunken party in Babylon's Great Hall, a Divine hand suddenly appeared writing on the wall, spelling out God's judgment against King Belshazzar. During the royal orgy, he had reached the pinnacle of pride by drinking wine from the Holy vessels which had been taken from the Temple in Jerusalem. As he praised the pagan gods of Babylon, the 'hammer fell'!

That night, the Medes and Persians conquered the city and the king was slain! The mighty kingdom of Babylon was finished! The writing was: "MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN...God has numbered thy kingdom and finished it. Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting. Thy kingdom is divided..." (Daniel 5:24-30)

## IS HISTORY BEING REPEATED?

With much sadness, I am compelled to say that if we continue on our present course, Canada will also fall one day. The signs are present everywhere, and "*the handwriting is on the wall*" for this nation.

The arrogance, disrespect for Jesus Christ, the Bible and moral values, as shamelessly exhibited by un-elected judges and our Liberal government, is exceeded only by their irrational decisions in cases of monumental importance to our families, communities and our nation.

***From the beginning of the so-called 'Just Society' and the take-over of the Liberal Party by socialist Pierre Elliott Trudeau until the present, we have seen Canada plunge downward; morally, intellectually, domestically, militarily and economically.***

In 1967 Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau effectively rammed through Parliament some of the most destructive laws ever enacted. They were: ***Abolish capital punishment, broaden divorce laws, legalize abortion and legalize homosexuality and bestiality (sex with animals). He also wanted to legalize marijuana!*** Over years, Cabinet Ministers from his government have allegedly spoken privately of their regret in the passing of those laws.

## IS CANADA ON DANGEROUS GROUND?

Here is the Real Shocker. Our present Liberal government is planning to scrap the time honored traditional, universal and legal definition of marriage as a union between one man and one woman. They will go down in history as the architects of a new hybrid called 'same-sex marriage', legally uniting men with men and women with women, perverting the biblical sacrament of Holy Matrimony!

Marriage it is NOT and never will be. The rot of a decaying society is daily emanating from Ottawa! The stench of immorality, political stupidity and creeping debilitation seep from our nation's capital.

It filters down to us through the airwaves, in our newspapers and on talk shows. The self-destructing of the nation of Canada is already on the slippery slope, imitating the rotting away of the Grecian and Roman Empires. Only God can help us turn the tide of wickedness.

The question is: "*How long before the 'Hammer of God's Judgment'* falls upon Canada, a nation being led by 'vote hungry surrogates' whose main objective is to please a host of 'off-beat clambering lobbyists' willing to sacrifice everything that made Canada a great nation, in order to get their own way?"



**It is as though a competing spirit has entered our judicial system and government, seeing who will be the first to thumb their nose at Almighty God and overturn as many moral, time honored laws, traditions and values as possible.**

And in the process, they are making the nation of Canada an international pariah in the eyes of intelligent, clear headed people who respect decency, normalcy and common sense over the perverted, perilous and unhealthy.

The Bible says: "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." (Prov. 14:34) "Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD." (Psalms 33:12) Righteousness is '**right standing**' before God and men. Righteousness speaks of honesty, integrity, and obedience to God's laws. Right choices, pure motives and charitable deeds are what build communities and nations.

Trusting in the Lord and following His laws will build a nation. On the other hand, sin is a reproach to any people. ***The meaning of the word reproach is disgrace, discredit, object of blame, censure!***

In my world travels, I have had occasion to speak with kings, presidents and other heads of State. They have thanked me for my prayers and stated their desire to receive God's blessing, with the hope that our Mission in their country would turn people to God and righteousness.

## **IS CANADA BREAKING THE LAWS OF GOD?**

How thankful we should be, for the British Common Law which has its roots in the *Ten Commandments* and is the basis for our laws in Canada, and for-runner of democracies everywhere. Why then, has our government over the past many years sought to distance and alienate us from the Ten Commandments and the British Common Law?

Why would they deliberately seek to break the laws of God and insult the intelligence of a myriad of scholars, legislators and builders of the world's greatest societies for several thousand years?

Are they so vain and proud of their puny accomplishments, that they feel compelled to distance themselves from God - given common sense, wisdom and historical record of great leaders and democracies which upholds normalcy and morality over the absurd, ridiculous and degenerate?

**Has Canada forgotten who we are? What has happened to the brains in Ottawa? Is there a spirit of amnesia prevalent? Did tens of thousands of young men die in two world wars, so that a few Members of Parliament and their appointed judges could change the law, effectively making us and our progenitors, citizens of a country akin to Sodom and Gomorrah.**

How could such foolishness enter the Liberal Cabinet? Is there a premium on silliness, the ludicrous and the bizarre, on Parliament Hill? Is there no voice of reason there? Is it not time to stand up and be counted?

Recently, Canadian TV News showed images of men kissing men. It was abhorrent, disgusting and upsetting for many people. It was a violation of our beliefs as well as our privacy, to be subjected to two men 'gum-sucking' (old Scottish word for kissing) on the national news.

***Think of the shocking, psychological damage done to children, youth and older folks who had not previously seen such a vulgar display! To say nothing of the millions of Christians and those of other faiths, having to explain this abnormal behavior to their children and to observe the nauseating event repeatedly on cable, satellite and network TV. And the very next day, splashed all over the front pages of Canadian Newspapers.***

Personally, I felt like vomiting. Speaking in Norwegian, I used the U word. I said "**Ufta!**" The eminent, late Dr. Robert Thompson, Medical Missionary, described the word "**ufta**" this way: "A man working in the barn loses his false teeth. They fall into a cow pie. He picks them up and puts them back into his mouth. He then exclaims, "Ufta"!"

We take off our hats to Conservative M.P. ELSIE WAYNE, who stated that, "Same Sex Marriage Debate is Pathetic'. ***"I have to say that I never thought when I came to the Hill in 1993 that I would ever have to get up in the House of Commons and debate the definition of marriage'***, said a true representative of the majority of Canadians.

She declared: ***"When it comes to people who want to live together, whether they are women or men, why do (we) have to be out here in the public debating that they want to call it marriage? Why are they in parades? Why are they dressed up as women on floats? They do not see us getting up on the floats, for heavens sake, to say we are husband and wife."***

The Saint John M.P. said that if same-sex couples want to live together, they can: ***"Go live together and shut up about it."*** After another M.P. referred to the ***"honourable members"*** of the Supreme Court, Wayne said:

***"I have to say that if they are going to be honourable members, then I would say they had better define marriage between men and women and then I will say they are honourable, but I will not say they are honourable if they do not."***

In my opinion, it will be the most divisive law, pitting Canadians against Canadians from east to west and north to south. I predict that if this same sex marriage bill

becomes law, homosexuals and lesbians will rue the day of its passing, because of the bitterness, division and untold problems it will cause them and their adopted children in the future.

### **HERE IS MY ADVICE TO ALL CHRISTIANS!**

The fallout from same sex marriages would create a community of dysfunctional people with enormous emotional and psychological difficulties, requiring our help for years to come.

We must be prepared to love them unconditionally and share with them the saving, healing and redeeming grace of Jesus Christ our Lord. God cares for everyone! His love reaches out to us all: "The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come unto repentance!" (2 Peter 3:9)

The Bible declares: ***"For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come to the knowledge of the truth."*** (1 Timothy 2:3-4)

Whatever happens, I am determined to preach the Gospel without fear or favour of man or devil. The Holy Bible teaches us to obey God rather than man. It is our duty to observe its teachings, follow our conscience and keep our faith in Jesus Christ as

Supreme and Sovereign Lord. (Acts 4:15-20; Acts 5:27-32)

**NOTE: This article was written in 2003. Sadly, the courageous M.P. Elsie Wayne passed away on August 24, 2016**

Ms. Wayne also cared deeply about Saint John, where she served as mayor from 1983 to 1993. It was just one chapter in her 27-year political career, which included a stint as interim leader of the federal Progressive Conservative Party.

"She had a very deep affection for the people of Saint John and I think that translated into the support she had," Mr. Charest said. "I think her legacy as a member of Parliament will be the memory of what we hope for in those who represent us, who are able to fight injustice with zeal and determination, to change what is wrong, as she did for the men in the merchant marine."

Elsie, as she was known, died peacefully in her sleep at her Hunter Lake, N.B., home on Tuesday. She was 84 years old and a devout Baptist.



Elsie Wayne, pictured here in December, 1998 in the House of Commons, cared deeply about her community, calling it 'the greatest little city in the east.'