Open Air Witness 9 – Biblical

Introduction

You may have heard the word *Biblical* used by the news media to describe recent catastrophic flooding in this country.

See for example *The Western Daily Press* www.westerndailypress.co.uk/PM-stunned-biblical-flood-scene/story-20587548-detail/story.html. *The Western Daily Press* is a local newspaper in Somerset. That paper carried a story on February 10th 2014 entitled *David Cameron stunned by 'biblical' flooding on visit to Somerset Levels*.

Yes, the Biblical flood did happen. True geological science tell us that "Countless billions of plant and animal fossils are found in extensive "graveyards" where they had to be buried rapidly on a massive scale" as in that worldwide Biblical flood.

See <u>answersingenesis.org/fossils/fossil-record/the-worlds-a-graveyard/</u>. That's why the news media uses the word *Biblical* to describe the flooding in the Somerset levels and other places in the strongest possible terms.

If the prime minister was stunned by what the paper called 'biblical' flooding, it must have been a major event. Indeed it was. Those events in the Somerset levels and other places have had a major effect on countless lives in this country in recent times. I suggest that these major events that the news media calls *Biblical* have had as much an effect if not a far greater effect on as many lives as the 2014 FIFA World Cup will have this month – June 2014. See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2014 FIFA World Cup.

You would be wise, therefore, to pay attention to things that are *Biblical*. Here are some things that are *Biblical*. They are major events for you.

The Shortness of Life

The shortness of life is Biblical. That is a major event for you. The Bible says this about the shortness of your life.

"The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away" Psalm 90:10. That is still true. The World Health Organization WHO states that worldwide, the average life span for men and women is just over 70 years. See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_countries_by_life_expectancy.

The Certainty of Death

Following the shortness of life, the certainty of death is Biblical. That is a major event for you. The Bible says this about the certainty of death.

"There is no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither hath he power in the day of death..." Ecclesiastes 8:8. The Bible also says this about the certainty of death. "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" Hebrews 9:27.

That scripture brings up the prospect of judgement following the certainty of death after the shortness of life.

The Prospect of Judgement

The prospect of judgement is Biblical. That is a major event for you. The Bible says this about the prospect of judgement. "For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil" Ecclesiastes 12:14. That is, "every secret thing" is before "The eyes of the LORD."

"The eyes of the LORD"

"The eyes of the LORD" is a Biblical term. That is of major importance for you. The Bible says this about "The eyes of the LORD." "The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good" Proverbs 15:3. The Bible also says this about "The eyes of the LORD." "Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance" Psalm 90:8.

"Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do" Hebrews 4:13.

You will have to do with God one day when you face God's judgement following the certainty of death after the shortness of life. That is Biblical and that will be the most major event for you. "Every secret thing" Ecclesiastes 12:14, all "secret sins" Psalm 90:8, even all thoughts will come before God's judgement. The scripture says "that no thought can be withholden from thee" Job 42:2 that is, God. Those are Biblical truths. That is of the most major importance to you. The Bible says this about you before God concerning "Every secret thing" Ecclesiastes 12:14 "the secrets of men."

"The secrets of men"

The New Testament writer Paul states "In the day...God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel" Romans 2:16. God's judgement of "the secrets of men" is one reason as the scripture says why "God...spared not the old world...bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly" 2 Peter 2:4-5 because "...GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually" Genesis 6:5.

"The old world...of the ungodly" 2 Peter 2:5 "walked in the counsels and in the imagination of their evil heart" Jeremiah 7:24 as the scripture says further such that "the wickedness of man was great in the earth." That world stood no chance under God's judgement of "the secrets of men." You too will stand no chance "In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel" if you ignore "my gospel" as Paul describes "the gospel of Christ." That is Biblical and of the most major importance to you. What then is "the gospel of Christ"?

"The gospel of Christ"

The scripture says that "the gospel of Christ...is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth" Romans 1:16. You can have salvation from God's judgement of "the secrets of men" on you simply by believing God's words. That is Biblical and of utmost importance to you. God's words say "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit" 1 Peter 3:18. That's for you!