JUDGMENT PRINCIPLES

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The Bible teaches that all calamity is due to sin

- "¹⁴Therefore the LORD has kept the disaster in mind, and brought it upon us; for the LORD our God is righteous in all the works which He does, though we have not obeyed His voice." (Da.9:14-16)
- The one experiencing the calamity may or may not be caused by the direct result of personal sin.
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God sometimes brings special calamity on man as divine judgment

- The Flood (Ge.6-8). Sodom and Gomorrah (Ge.19; Jd.1:7); Jerusalem (70AD)
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God always warns before He brings judgment

- "Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, Unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets." (Am.3:7)
- Judah (**Je.44:4-6**); Nineveh (**Jh.3:4**); The Watchman (**Ek.33:6**, If the watchman failed to warn the people, he would be responsible for their deaths).
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God is patient before He brings that judgment

- "The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance." (2Pe.3:9)
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God brings that judgment on His own initiative when He determines iniquity is full

- "But in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete." (Ge.15:16)
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All past calamity is a preview of the ultimate calamity when Jesus comes to bring judgment upon sinners

• "But the heavens and the earth which are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men." (2Pe.3:7)