Hands On

Part One - The Writing on the Wall

Daniel 5:5-6

Suddenly, they saw the fingers of a human hand writing on the plaster wall of the king's palace, near the lamp stand. The king himself saw the hand as it wrote, 6 and his face turned pale with fright. His knees knocked together in fear and his legs gave way beneath him.

America is using God's blessing in blasphemous ways.

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14

After all this, there is only one thing to say: Have reverence for God, and obey his commands, because this is all that we were created for. 14 God is going to judge everything we do, whether good or bad, even things done in secret.

Our political climate is the proverbial writing on the wall.

Proverbs 29:2

When the godly are in authority, the people rejoice. But when the wicked are in power, they groan.

This world's wisest minds don't understand the message.

1 Corinthians 3:19

For the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God. As the Scriptures say, "He traps the wise in the snare of their own cleverness."

God's Hands-On Message

Daniel 5:26

This is what these words mean: Mene means 'numbered' - God has numbered the days of your reign and has brought it to an end.

1. Numbered - America's days are numbered.

Obadiah 1:4

But even if you soar as high as eagles and build your nest among the stars, I will bring you crashing down," says the LORD.

Ephesians 5:16

Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days.

2. Weighed - When America ignores justice, its judgment will be just.

Proverbs 20:23

The LORD hates people who use dishonest scales and weights.

Micah 6:8

No, the LORD has told us what is good. What he requires of us is this: to do what is just, to show constant love, and to live in humble fellowship with our God.

3. Divided - America has become a divided nation.

Mark 3:25

If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand.

Belshazzar's death opened the door to Darius' reign where God's people found favor.

Daniel 5:30-31

That very night Belshazzar, the Babylonian king, was killed. 31 And Darius the Mede took over the kingdom at the age of sixty-two.

Daniel 6:25-26

Then King Darius sent this message to the people of every race and nation and language throughout the world: "Peace and prosperity to you! 26 "I decree that everyone throughout my kingdom should tremble with fear before the God of Daniel. For he is the living God, and he will endure forever. His kingdom will never be destroyed, and his rule will never end.