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2 Kings 24:3-4

"Surely at the commandment of the LORD this came upon Judah, to remove them out of His sight, for all the sins of Manassah, according to all that he did, and also for the innocent blood that he shed; for he filled Jerusalem with innocent blood, which the LORD would not pardon." 2 Kings 24:3-4

Don't be confused, nor be surprised – there is a dealing of the LORD with individuals and then there is a dealing of the LORD with nations. In His economy, both individuals as well as nations will stand before Him. Those sins from which an individual repents and turns to the LORD; there is always abundant grace. "Though your sins be as scarlet, they will be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they will be as wool." (Isaiah 1:18)

There remain consequences for our actions. "But be not deceived, God is not mocked; whatsoever a man sows that shall he also reap." (Galatians 6:7) If God's dealing with His ancient people brought judgment for "filling Jerusalem with innocent blood", what fearful consequence faces our land that has shed the blood of millions of innocents through abortion?!

Our only national hope is to cast ourselves upon the mercy of God. "God, who is rich in mercy, for His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in sins, has made us alive together with Christ (by grace you are saved.) (Ephesians 2:4-5).

"Lord, have mercy..."

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