

The Three Eternal Destinies #40 *Breaking the Everlasting Covenant*

Moral Corruption — Isaiah 24:5-6

The inhabitants of the earth *polluted* the land by the kind of sins that needed to be dealt with by the governments of the people (Isa 24:5-6). If there is not a government in the land, then there is chaos. *Government* is made up of town councils in every place (or kingdoms) where laws are enforced, otherwise corruption of government sets in (Gen 9:1-7; Gen 3:16-19).

What place does abortion, divorce, crime, murder, the dole or welfare have in any society of mankind in view of the *everlasting covenant* to "be *fruitful* and *multiply*" (Num 35:33). It is only by the execution of murderers that the land is preserved from being defiled and polluted. The land was corrupted (defiled) for not dealing *justly* with criminals who commit crime. The word *defile* is actually the same in meaning as the words *corrupt* or *pollute*. Those who *destroy* the earth do so by *corruption* (pollution, defilement). All those who had a part in the "*moral corruption*" of society (especially as Rom 1:24,26 and 28-32 says) were those who *destroy* the earth (Rev 11:18).

In every way that one defiles (corrupts, pollutes) their *own conscience*, by not keeping the "everlasting covenant," so the earth is *polluted*. The *atmosphere* around the earth reflects the mass of man's conscience which was cast aside in every way (Gen 3:16-19; 9:1-7). This total *disregard of conscience* is as Isa 24:5 says concerning what will take place upon the earth. Mankind will ultimately bring judgment (verse 6) upon themselves even as the male child proclaims (Rev 14:6-7). The time will come when Isa 24:6 will be fulfilled. "The time has come to *destroy* those who *destroyed the earth*" (Rev 11:18; 16:8-9). *The earth was destroyed by moral corruption — moral pollution* (not by throwing beer cans out of the car or burning plastic diapers or leaded gas). The earth was polluted by those who are morally debased (Pr 12:10; Rom 1:18-20,24,26,28-32; 2:6,8,9; Rev 16:8,9; Isa 24:5-6).

A Polluted Conscience — A Polluted Earth

Rev 11:18 speaks of moral pollution in the human heart and conscience (2 Ths 2:10-12; Rom 2:14-16).

What goes on in man's conscience effects the *environment*. An environmentally clean atmosphere was not polluted by people who were keepers of the everlasting covenant of conscience.

It takes a *polluted conscience* to throw a plastic cup or litter (of any kind) out the window or do anything else that pollutes the atmosphere. The earth's environment reflects the "*moral atmosphere*" of its inhabitants (Rom 2:14-15). Man's own conscience holds him *accountable* for what he does (verse 16). A person with a *polluted conscience* does those things that cause *moral pollution* on the earth (Mark 7:20-23 — polluted thoughts, evil ideas — *Good News for Modern Man*).