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“Men’s hearts failing them from fear
and the expectation of those things
which are coming on the earth.”

—A prediction from Jesus Christ,
recorded in Luke 21:26 (NKJV)

The United Nations is terrified of it. Millions of protestors wave signs in cities across the globe about it. News agencies report on it. Musicians sing about it. Children are so frightened of it that they’re ditching school to make their voices heard. Nearly 200 nations on earth have signed agreements about it. Legislators are passing laws about it. Countless YouTube videos warn about it. Social media is ablaze over it.

What is this feared threat to the future of humanity? It’s called “Climate Change.”

“Wake up!” we’re being warned. “If we don’t act quickly to counteract climate change, doom awaits us.” Here’s just a small sample of recent headlines, quotes from news articles, and warnings in various government and scientific reports:

**“Climate change is the defining issue
of our time ... Let there be no doubt
about the urgency of the crisis.”¹**

1 See <https://www.un.org/sg/en/content/sg/statement/2018-09-10/secretary-generals-remarks-climate-change-delivered>





“15,000 scientists in 184 countries warn about negative global environmental trends.”²

“Catastrophic effects on human society and the natural world may spiral out of control if this climate and ecological emergency is not addressed in time.”³

“It is understood that we are facing an unprecedented global emergency. We are in a life or death situation of our own making.”⁴

“Soon it will be too late to shift course away from our failing trajectory, and time is running out.”⁵

“We herein proclaim... a clear and unequivocal declaration that a climate emergency exists on planet Earth.”⁶

“Life on Earth is in crisis; scientists agree we have entered a period of abrupt climate breakdown. And we are in the midst of a mass extinction of our own making.”⁷

“It is not enough to act. We have to act now.”⁸

2 See <https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2017/11/171113111127.htm>

3 See <https://rebellion.earth/the-truth/the-emergency/>

4 See <https://rebellion.earth/the-truth/the-emergency/>

5 See <https://earthsky.org/earth/letter-scientists-warn-environmental-dangers>

6 See <https://scitistswarning.forestry.oregonstate.edu/sites/sw/files/climate%20emergency%20Ripple%20et%20al.pdf>

7 See https://theday.co.uk/specials/climate-watch?paywall_token=wiCvIKx6LfrVh54XrMHdzkrh6ieskDSD

8 See <https://ccacoalition.org/en/content/why-we-need-act-now>





Such are the sober warnings now sounding nearly everywhere and every day from a growing movement whose members are sincerely dedicated to saving planet Earth. The following is just a sample of influential organizations that have joined a chorus of worldwide voices demanding immediate action to avert this life-or-death threat:

United Nations Act Now Climate Change Campaign⁹

Nasa: Global Climate Change¹⁰

Amnesty International: Climate Change¹¹

Extinction Rebellion: The International Movement¹²



In a nutshell, what's happening is this: Our planet is becoming an increasingly dangerous place to live. Almost daily, we are bombarded with tragic news reports covering the latest deadly disaster. Killer earthquakes, destructive tsunamis, raging fires, monster hurricanes, devastating floods, and horrific tornados keep hammering our environment. Countless homes are being destroyed. Human beings are dying. Tears keep flowing.

Everyone on all sides of the debate agree that such catastrophes are quite real, devastating, and

9 See <https://www.un.org/en/actnow/>

10 See <https://climate.nasa.gov/faq/16/is-it-too-late-to-prevent-climate-change/>

11 See <https://www.amnesty.org/en/what-we-do/climate-change/>

12 See <https://rebellion.earth/>





heartbreaking, but *why* are these things happening? *That is the question.*

“The primary culprit is climate change!” declare many scientists, researchers, and activists. The basic concept behind their conviction is that we humans are too reliant on fossil fuels such as oil, coal, and natural gas to power civilization. Fossil fuel use results in the emission of “greenhouse gases” such as carbon dioxide and methane gas, which, after being released into our atmosphere, supposedly trap planetary heat and prevent it from dissipating into outer space. Many scientists believe that this trapped heat is steadily warming our earth and oceans, leading to “global warming,” which, they earnestly contend, is contributing to disastrous consequences like:



More intense heat waves

Melting polar ice caps

Rising sea levels

Extreme weather

Larger, stronger storms

More frequent wildfires

Increasing droughts

Water shortages and crop failures

Widespread famines

Mass animal extinctions

Essentially, what’s happening is that real weather-related catastrophes, with their horrific consequences,





are increasing, and humanity's heavy reliance on fossil fuels is being blamed as public enemy #1. As a result, "climate anxiety" over the current "climate emergency" has gripped millions. Even kids are scared. "We only have a few years left before Mother Earth gets so hot that our environment implodes!" is a terrifying thought.

Therefore, just like rising sea levels, the number of protestors is steadily rising, too. They're energized and deeply committed to influencing governments and lawmakers to pass fossil-fuel-limiting legislation NOW, before it's too late. "If we don't act quickly," they warn, "we could all be DEAD in a few years."

Speaking before the World Economic Forum held in Switzerland, teenage climate activist Greta Thunberg thundered, "I want you to act as if the house is on fire, because it is." Picked by *Time Magazine* as its 2019 Person of the Year, Greta hopes lawmakers will act immediately to limit fossil fuels, cut carbon emissions, and counteract global warming, which, she firmly believes, will help heal the earth so we can all live here longer.

Just for the record, the purpose of this little book isn't primarily to agree or disagree with climate science. This writer also appreciates all sincere efforts to make our planet a safer place to live. I also support the development of safe and renewable sources of energy, such as wind, water, and solar power, plus sound legislation leading to less pollution. Of course, I want to breathe fresh air too. Instead, the goal of this little work is to address deadly disasters and climate change





in light of ancient biblical prophecies—prophecies that also sound a sober warning about our future.

I want to inspire hope, too, even beyond this life, so keep reading.

“There will be signs ...”

Whatever you think about religion or the Bible, it's an undeniable fact that the most influential Person who has ever peacefully walked this earth is none other than Jesus Christ. Although He never wrote a book, more books have been written about Him than about any other man or woman. He also has more devout followers than any other religious leader, including Mohammed, Buddha, or Gandhi.

Whatever your view of the humble Carpenter born in Bethlehem who taught in Judea, healed sick people, told stories on mountaintops of God's love, and died on a splintery Roman cross outside Jerusalem, this Man is unique. Christianity, which is the world's largest religion, teaches that under the humble garb of humanity, Jesus is Lord of all; that after His death for our sins, He rose from the dead, ascended visibly to heaven, and will someday return to earth in apocalyptic glory at the end of days.

Notice carefully that Jesus Himself predicted that before His return, “There will be great earthquakes in various places, and famines and pestilences; and there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven” (Luke 21:11).

Here, Jesus described a time of massive planetary problems. “There will be great earthquakes in various

