

Biblical Climate Change

A number of years ago we started hearing about global **Climate Change** in the news and elsewhere. But what does the word of God, the **Bible**,¹ say about it? "...the *earth will wear out like a garment and its inhabitants die like flies. But my salvation will last forever...*" [Isa 51:6](#) So the Bible clearly teaches that the Earth will decay, and therefore a true believer in Jesus Christ should not be surprised at all, but rather should expect it.

"In the six hundredth year of Noah's life...all the springs of the great deep burst forth, and the floodgates of the heavens were opened. And rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights." [Gen 7:11-12](#) Since water came mostly from underground, it would have been hotter than the surface, giving more evaporation and precipitation. Right after the Flood it would have caused the **ice age** with large amounts of ice and snow. Then, a secular warming trend of the oceans and land started.

"Two sons were born to Eber: One was named Peleg, because in his time the

earth was divided..." [Gen 10:25](#) This would have been due to melting of the ice, causing the oceans to rise, dividing the land.

Though recent human activity is no doubt an important factor, the warming trend could well be still dominant. There is evidence the Sahara Desert² earlier was well-watered, but has suffered a long drying-out trend. Other evidence is the receding of glaciers worldwide, plus many more examples.

Wikipedia breaks **Environmental Degradation**³ into: **Biodiversity loss** and **Water degradation**. Related topics are **depletion** of other resources such as **Forests, Minerals, Ozone**, etc.

Biodiversity loss: It seems clear that human activity is the most important factor, in loss of habitat, pollution and over exploitation of resources. With population growth, we can only expect it to get much worse, in spite of efforts at conservation.

Water degradation: Only about 0.75% of earth's water is fresh and available for consumption, and it is estimated

that about 1 in 3 people face water shortages. It is an increasing problem due to population growth, increased urbanization, and higher standards of living. The factors mainly are pollution, overuse and depletion. With a fast-growing population, we can only expect these problems to worsen rapidly.⁴

With all these problems, **Bible** prophecies of the coming **Tribulation** don't seem quite so far fetched: "...a huge mountain, all ablaze, was thrown into the sea...a third of the **living creatures**...died...a third of the **ships** were destroyed" [Rev 8:8-9](#)

Also: "...a great star, blazing like a torch, fell...on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water; the name of the star is **Wormwood**...many people died from the waters that had become bitter." [Rev 8:10-11](#) **Wormwood** is **Chernobyl** in Russian,⁵ so this great star will possibly be radioactive.

The **Bible** has about 1000 prophecies, with some 500 already fulfilled in **exact** detail, with no mistakes. Of those, Jesus fulfilled about 300 in his first coming. Since only God knows the **fu-**

ture, this shows the **Bible** is the word of **God**, so the rest will be fulfilled the same way.

The Tribulation includes the **Mark of the Beast**: “...forced all...to receive a mark...so that they could not **buy** or **sell** unless they had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of its name...calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man. That number is **666**.” [Rev 13:16-18](#) This will require the Internet, the latest in technology and the elimination of cash. It is very similar to the present system of credit cards, but you will have to worship the beast as god to activate your account in the global electronic system. So, you will then face the horrible choice of accepting the mark and **losing** your **soul**, or refusing the mark and facing **near-certain death**.

Perhaps one of the most bizarre doctrines of Biblical Christianity is the **Rapture**: “For the Lord himself will come down ...we...will be caught up... in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore **encourage** one an-

other with these words.” [1 Thes 4:16-18](#) If we had to endure a horrible Tribulation first, would these words be encouraging? Surely **not!**

So for the true believer in Christ, this is **good news** because we will be caught up to heaven **beforehand**, and so will not face the horrors of the **Tribulation**. So put your faith and trust in Jesus Christ and ask Him to forgive your sins so you **won't miss the Rapture**.

Most important of all, the **salvation of your soul** is personal between you and God and does not depend on rites, clerics, traditions, good works, baptism, or belonging to any church or religion: “For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith, and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God, not by works...” [Eph 2:8-9](#) No matter what kind of person you are or what you have done: “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” [1 John 1:9](#) Pray today to put your faith in Jesus Christ alone: “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that who-

ever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” [John 3:16](#) Then study the Bible to live pleasing to God: “...if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!” [2 Cor 5:17](#)

Please pray like this with all sincerity: “Dear Lord Jesus, I confess I am a sinner, and I ask for your forgiveness. I believe you died to forgive my sins and rose from the dead. I trust and follow you as my Lord and Savior. Please guide my life and help me to do your will. In the name of my Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.”

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