

P R O P H E C Y U P D A T E

"Star Date: 2050"

Recently I came across an article about what scientists are saying our world will look like by the year 2050. Needless to say, it was not the type of thing you would want to read if you were looking for encouragement. It covered the possibility of an asteroid impacting Earth, a nuclear war, and a pandemic that could wipe out a billion people. Add to all this the devastation they say we will see as a result of ongoing global warming and it did not paint a very optimistic picture of our future.

The only reason I even mention it is because I want to compare it with what the Bible tells us will happen during the great tribulation. Obviously, some of the words used are not the same because words used today were not yet invented when the Bible was written. But, the events they describe are astonishingly similar.

Starting in Revelation 8 we read of a great earthquake followed by one-third of the vegetation on Earth being burned. (Global warming?) This is followed by an asteroid impact that results in one-third of the sun's rays being blocked. The chapter ends with a warning that this is but the beginning of sorrows.

Chapter 9 speaks of what will probably be some sort of plague that will claim the lives of about two billion people. In spite of this, it tells us that men will not repent of their evil deeds. As we continue to read we find that Satan will take advantage of this chaos and destruction by revealing the anti-christ and the final conflict between God and Satan will commence.

One hundred years ago people reading the Book of Revelation probably would have had a hard time imagining how such things could possibly happen, but today none of this seems so impossible. Today we can read Revelation and then read articles written by scientists that describe the

same things and basically tell us that this is what the near future of planet Earth will look like.

I share this amazing similarity because I want to point out that without a doubt, we are living in the time prophesied in the Book of Revelation. Even our scientific community is telling us that these things are what we can expect in the next 30 years.

Having said that, I will also tell you that none of this causes me to have even a particle of fear. I know my redeemer lives and I know what He has promised to those whose faith is in Him.

Revelation 3:10-11 KJV

10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee **from** the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

11 Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

Luke 21:35-36 KJV

35 For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.

36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted **worthy to escape all these things** that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

The bridegroom will not beat the bride up and then come to get her for the wedding. He has specifically told us to be watching for His return, not the great tribulation or the rise of the antichrist. Any who live today and have not made Jesus the Lord of their lives are either willfully ignorant of the times or are determined to live in rebellion to God.

How foolish!

**Do not ignore the warnings!
Today is the day of salvation!**