

# How to Escape the Coming Calamities!

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If you follow the news these days, there is not very much good news anymore. Almost everywhere you look, there is trouble in the future on the not too distant horizon.

- *Finance*

There is the looming financial crisis in Europe and the United States and elsewhere. There are many people that are hoping to escape by investing in gold and other precious metals.

- *Shortage of commodities needed for living*

As a consequence of a financial meltdown, many commodities needed for everyday living will become scarce or unavailable. Some people are hoping to escape by stockpiling food and other necessities.

- *Breakdown of law and order*

Because of the coming scarcities, there will be an even faster breakdown of law and order which many people, especially in the United States will try to escape from and protect themselves by stockpiling guns and ammunition.

- *A divided nation*

In 2016 we all came through a very contentious election. Almost everybody who predicted who the next President would be was wrong. God tells us clearly in Daniel chapter 4 that the leaders of nations are chosen in the heavenly dimensions. As a result of the election, the US has not been as divided, since the time that Lincoln abolished slavery. That only happened after a bloody Civil War. It is not entirely impossible, that another Civil War will be precipitated because of the result of last year's election.

- *Increasing international conflicts and war*

The specter of war, especially in the Middle East, such as a nuclear Iran and other hotspots in that part of the world, will certainly cause additional trouble for the Western world.

- *Rapidly increasing intensity and frequency of natural disasters*

Increasing intensity of natural disasters, such as earthquakes and the attending tsunamis, tornadoes, hurricanes, droughts, floods and unusual weather patterns never seen before in such numbers and intensities, seem to be rapidly increasing from year-to-year.

- *A proposed solution*

Because these problems are worldwide, there will be an increasing push for a worldwide solution. There is much talk of a world governmental system in the UN and in other places. The only solution many erudite and educated people in and out of government see to the solution of some of the above-mentioned problems, is some form of worldwide governmental control.

- *Predictions in the Bible*

The Bible predicts the above-mentioned problems and the solution that will be implemented by humanity. A one world government will be instituted, that will eliminate or at least ameliorate for a short time these and other problems facing mankind. A one world government does not necessarily mean that it will be global in scope. The action in the Bible has always been that place we now call the middle east.

Nothing that happened in North or South America or in China is recorded in the Bible. The whole world is like a powder keg, especially the middle east, where something or someone will be lighting the match. What might this be? The same event which will enable you to escape from the time that is coming, may also be the event that initiates the coming explosion. Stay tuned.

- *Coming world dictatorship*

The dominant characteristic of this government will be a dictatorship with a single charismatic dictator. The Bible calls this dictator the anti-Christ. After more bruising and devastating wars by the enemies of Israel against that nation, he will manage to do what no one has yet managed to do this day. He will come up with a solution by making a seven year treaty with Israel that will bring peace to the Middle East.

This dictator will institute a mandatory cashless financial system, where every transaction no matter how small will be registered and tracked. This will enable a tight rationing of everything that money is commonly used to buy. Those who are not willing to join this system, will not be able to buy any needs of life, including food, medicine, clothing and shelter.

- *Participation equals eternal death*

We are told in biblical prophecy, that those that participate in the system will be forever excluded from the presence of God. To be excluded from the presence of God is the definition of hell. A mere computer chip implanted in a person would not trigger the ire of God, unless it is associated with some sort of loyalty oath to a false god by the person receiving such a chip.

- *God's provision for escape*

God has made provision for those who want, to escape before the time this dictatorial government comes to power. After this dictator assumes power, there will be no escape for anyone, except by death. God does not want you or anyone to have to live under this dictatorial godless system. God has made provisions for *individuals* to escape from the time when all this happens, which is right around the corner. This provision is not a religious, political or economic system and does not involve hoarding anything or becoming self-sufficient. It involves a person, the person of God in Jesus Christ.

- *What was thought once impossible is now commonplace*

Modern technologies have made it possible to communicate and travel at speeds, which the most educated and imaginative among men of ancient times never dreamed of. Anyone who could be teleported through time together with almost any modern device or gadget, would either be revered as a god or burned as a witch.

It has been said that any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from a miracle. If our modern technology would seem miraculous to the people of the first century, then why should the infinitely more advanced technology of God, not appear miraculous to the most educated scientists of today, as well as to the rest of us? Many, if not most of the unusual events chronicled in the Bible are called miracles. Anything modern, skeptical humans can't explain with their limited intellect and understanding is deemed to be impossible. Today many people in our world don't believe there is such a thing as a miracle.

• *Is death the end of human existence?*

Most of human effort in this world is expended to postpone death, or cause death, but it cannot be prevented. The entire medical and political/legal establishments work day and night to postpone death and the militaries and armament makers on earth do everything possible to hasten or cause death. The Bible tells us “that it is appointed unto men once to die, but after that comes judgment”. (Hebrews 9:27) There is no one that will argue with the first part of this statement, but there are plenty of otherwise highly intelligent and educated people who will deny the second part.

• *Resurrection*

The central belief of the Christian faith is that Jesus Christ overcame the number one enemy of mankind – death. He was physically resurrected, dwelling in a body made with a new kind of matter. The science of quantum physics shows that matter-energy behaves quite differently at the quantum level than at the dimensions and scales of our ordinary lives. So far, scientists have not the slightest clue why this is so. Scientists as well as the secular public will deny the possibility of resurrection simply on the basis that this cannot be observed today. No one has been resurrected lately.

• *Promise of Resurrection*

Jesus promises that all who believe him, demonstrating that belief as genuine by action, will experience a physical resurrection. The promise is that all believers will see Jesus Christ as he really is and be like him. So what can we know from the Bible about what Jesus was like and what he did after his resurrection?

• *Transcendent Immortal*

Jesus now lives in a transcendent, immortal body made out of a new kind of substance. He now exists in our time-space universe as well as outside of it. He was no longer constrained by the laws of nature we limited human beings have discovered. He was no longer subject to gravity nor could he be confined in or kept out of any particular place. The grave could not contain him nor could locked doors keep him from entering any place he wanted to. He was able to, as far as his disciples were concerned, to appear out of and vanish into thin air. Even so, he could do ordinary physical things that we do every day, such as walk, eat, gather material for a fire on a beach, light the fire and broil some fish on it and communicate with his disciples to catch some fish also and then join them for breakfast. He was seen on this earth for 40 days by many people, including 500 at the same time. (1 Corinthians 15:6)

• *Resurrection day for believers*

The Bible speaks of a first resurrection of which Jesus Christ was the first fruits, that is he was the first to rise in a transcendent, glorified body. For those faithful followers of his who have died, there will be a moment of resurrection.. The information contained in their DNA will be upgraded to form a new body capable of living here on earth as well as in heaven. That new body will be controlled by the new Christ-like mind (Romans 12:1) that had its beginning here on earth. This new body will be energized by a human spirit empowered by the Holy Spirit of God. All true believers have the Holy Spirit right now, albeit still in a fragile, corrupt flesh body.

• *Transformation day*

For those believers still on earth at that moment of time, there will be a metamorphosis from a mortal flesh and blood body to an immortal material spirit body. This transformation will be orders of magnitude greater and more magnificent than any transformation we are familiar with. We are familiar with the fact that a lowly caterpillar is

transformed into a beautiful butterfly. Just like a butterfly is capable of living in the higher dimension of the atmosphere, rather than crawling around on a leaf, so also the transformed believer will be able to live in heavenly dimensions.

• *A short time gap before the ascension*

In the scriptural record we are told that after Jesus was resurrected in his new transcendent spirit body, he remained here on earth for 40 days. Among other events during that time he ministered to those he loves. He reinstated Peter who had denied him. He held a 7 mile Bible study on the road to Emmaus. The apostle Paul tells us that Jesus appeared to 500 people at once. After blessing his disciples once more on the Mount of Olives, he physically left this earth.

• *A similar time gap for the redeemed*

It is therefore not unreasonable to expect that for the redeemed followers of Jesus there will be a similar sequence. It is not at all unreasonable for the Lord Jesus to commission his resurrected saints to minister to their loved ones. Their ministry will be toward those who did not fully want to believe the gospel and avail themselves of the mercy that is available only in Jesus Christ.

• *The redeemed Saints ascend into heaven*

All who partake of this transformation, will be able to follow the call of Jesus when he comes in the air, high in the skies above Jerusalem. From there, Jesus will lead all those who have been redeemed by his grace, to join him in God's house for the biggest celebration this universe and all of heaven has ever seen.

• *Alien Abduction?*

Scoffing unbelievers left behind on the earth will have to come up with some sort of explanation of all those missing persons as well as the vanished innocent babies and children. Yes children, suddenly gone because Jesus tells us that little children along to the kingdom of God. In the opinion of this writer, the sudden disappearance of millions of the most productive people from the earth is likely to be the trigger that collapses of the present fractious system of national governments and permits the rise of a single government under a charismatic dictator. The official explanation may be that an alien abduction on a grand scale has taken place and that these aliens are preparing to take over the planet. This false propaganda will be disseminated by the major media, despite the fact that millions of witnesses know the truth. Jesus tells us that before the time of his coming, there will be a strange signs in the heavens. It is not so far-fetched to assert that some of these signs will be interpreted by unbelievers to foreshadow an invasion of Earth by aliens from another world who had previously kidnapped millions of human beings.

• *Humanity ready to believe in Aliens*

The media have long prepared the world's population for this lie with a large number of fictitious alien invasion stories, where the people of the world unite to do battle with this alien force. Since biblical prophecy focuses on Israel and Jerusalem, the world and its antichrist leader may correctly assume that this alien invasion force will come to earth in the Middle East and then spread out from there. This is how it may come to be that *all* armed forces of the world will gather there at Armageddon (a large valley a few miles north of Jerusalem at Megiddo) to do battle against the invading aliens. It is ironic that within this lie there is a kernel of truth. The Bible does a label disciples of Jesus as aliens and strangers, not citizens of this world. The Bible indeed does predict that there is going to be an invasion of Earth by the heavenly armies led by Jesus Christ.

• *How to escape from chaos on Earth*

It is easy to see that the sudden disappearance of a significant fraction of human beings and especially little children and babies will create chaos and conditions that have never been seen on this planet before. The Bible does tell us that people's hearts will be failing them for fear of what is coming upon the earth. (Luke 21:26) However, like the passengers on the Titanic, there is an escape for those who manage to make it into a lifeboat. There is only *one* life boat, a person, the person of Jesus Christ. Jesus died, and rose again so that you don't have to go down with the sinking planet Earth, but have the opportunity to be taken off to be in the presence of the transcendent God-man, Jesus Christ.

- *The big when question*

Throughout history, God has always communicated to mankind what he is about to do and when it will happen. He sends Prophets and on occasion corroborates these prophetic messages with signs in the heavens. There is a prophecy in Revelation 12 that involves a distinctive sign. This includes the moon, the sun, and the planet Jupiter, Mercury, Venus and Mars. They will all be arranged in and around the constellations of Virgo(virgin) and Leo (lion) in this specific configuration described in scripture.

*Revelation 12:1-2 And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth.*

Because of the heavenly bodies move precisely, like clockwork, it is possible with modern computer programs to show their positions at any point in time, past, present or future. This particular arrangement only happens precisely on September 23 2017. Never, in the past 7000 years has this exact arrangement taken place.

*Revelation 12:3-6 And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it. She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a*

*Dear God, I am not always even sure that you exist, but by faith I believe you do. I want with all my heart be to accepted in your inner circle of love made possible by Jesus Christ on the cross. Please make me the kind of person you created me to be, to live in peace and harmony with you and all my fellow human beings. Forgive me for my past where I have not lived up to even my own resolutions and expectations and definitely not according to your laws. Enable me to live the rest of my life in your love and power through your son Jesus Christ. – Amen.*

*place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished for 1,260 days.*

This woman is certainly Israel who gave birth to Jesus who is the head of the church which is his body. This body that has been growing since its conception at Pentecost is being born *physically* into the kingdom of God where the church will be united forever with its head. The exact Greek phrase translated "caught up" used here is also used in 1 Thessalonians 4:17. That is the biggest reasons why I believe that this passage above pertains to the rapture. I recommend that you read the rest of chapter 12 of Revelation.

- *Signs tell you when you are getting close*

For example, when you are headed north on I5, at some point you will encounter signs telling you are headed toward Portland or Seattle. You still have a ways to go, but the signs are already there. As you get closer, the signs become more frequent and more specific. In the same way, this sign does not mean that the rapture will take place on that or any other particular date. Jesus told us that no one knows the exact day or hour.

- *Whom do you believe?*

From the very beginning, the test has always been about belief, not so much *what* you believe, but *whom* you believe. Do you really believe God? The first man, Adam did not believe God, but believed his wife, who in turn did not believe her husband Adam, but believed Satan who appeared in the form of a serpent. Whom do you believe? Do you believe what someone else, such as scientists, media or politicians or who knows tells you? The most well-known verse in the Bible, John 3:16 is all about believing, not in a doctrine but in a person, Jesus Christ. All religions on earth involve some kind of works. The religious leaders in Jesus' day were no different. Naturally, they asked him what kind of works God expects of them. Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." (John 6:29) Anyone who truly believes Jesus Christ, will do the works he asks and that is to know and do the will of God.

- *How to escape to your home in Heaven*

The will of God is not that you merely escape from Earth and judgment, but can come to God's throne and rejoice before him forever in the company of those that have been redeemed out of humanity. Jesus died the death you should have died, but now you can live and know, that He loves you and because of Him you will rejoice and sing with Him now and forever. Today, are you one of those that has been redeemed by simply believing him? If not, you can be right now by simply praying something along these lines, preferably in your own words: