

The Only Solution

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Scientists continue to say that there is global warming caused by the depletion of the ozone layer of our atmosphere. They are claiming that this is the reason for all the climate change happening around the world. They show us pictures of polar bears stranded on small floating pieces of ice, warming ocean water, drought, damaging storms and floods, and say that they are all because of global warming.

And they believe that they can fix the problem by limiting or completely stopping all carbon emissions. They want to eliminate the burning of all fossil fuels and in exchange use green technology to solve all our problems. This would mean eliminating all fuel burning vehicles, stopping air flights, and shutting down coal burning plants, and getting rid of flatulent (gassy) cattle among other things they believe would help.

Would this really solve the problems we are facing?

There is warming going on around the globe, but the real cause is much more than burning fossil fuels and gassy cattle. The real problem is spiritual.

Let's take a look at some scriptures and see if we can find the cause and the solution to the problems we face.

This country was given as a blessing to us and has also been greatly blessed by God, because of the blessing given Manasseh by his grandfather Jacob (Israel).

Genesis 48:17-20 *“And when Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it displeased him: and he held up his father's hand, to remove it from Ephraim's head unto Manasseh's head. And Joseph said unto his father, Not so, my father: for this is the firstborn; put thy right hand upon his head. And his father refused, and said, I know it, my son, I know it: he also shall become a people, and he also shall be great: but truly his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his seed shall become a multitude of nations. And he blessed them that day, saying, In thee shall Israel bless, saying, God make thee as Ephraim and as Manasseh: and he set Ephraim before Manasseh.”* Great Britain lived under the blessing given to Ephraim and the U.S. has lived under the blessing of Manasseh. But only as long as they obeyed God and kept His commandments.

We can see these blessings by reading in: Deuteronomy 28:1-2 *“And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.*

The blessings of God were upon this country in its early years and as it went through many more years of growing pains. God was very patient as He watched an adolescent country attempting to walk with Him and walk on their own at the same time. But, in His love, He blessed and watched.

Deuteronomy 3-5 *“Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep. Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store. Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out.*

Our country grew and prospered. Our industries grew. We possessed many lands and natural resources around the world. We had an abundance of food and were able to help other less fortunate countries.

Deuteronomy 7 *“The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.”* As

our country entered war, we saw victory in WWI and WWII, even after being attacked by Japan. We fought against Hitler's armies and won. God blessed us by saving us from our enemies and I believe that He put fear in them keeping a country like Russia from attacking throughout the cold war. And the blessings continued.

Deuteronomy 8 *"The LORD shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee. The LORD shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, and walk in his ways. And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the LORD; and they shall be afraid of thee. And the LORD shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers to give thee. The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow. And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them: And thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them."*

All those great blessings have ended, because most of the world does not want God to interfere or be a part of their lives. They want to go after their own heart's desires, doing what's right in their own eyes.

On June 26th, 2015, the Supreme court legalized same sex marriage and I believe that on that day God turned His face from this country and the blessings ended. Deuteronomy 31:17-18 *"Then my anger shall be kindled against them in that day, and I will forsake them, and I will hide my face from them, and they shall be devoured, and many evils and troubles shall befall them; so that they will say in that day, Are not these evils come upon us, because our God is not among us? And I will surely hide my face in that day for all the evils which they shall have wrought, in that they are turned unto other gods."*

Not long after this, we began seeing natural disasters like never recorded and they are continuing this day, not only here in the U.S., but around the world. Earthquakes, Volcanoes, Hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding, and fires that are devastating the forests. Now many parts of the country are seeing a drought that is drying up the lakes and other waterways.

The curses have begun. Without God to bless and protect us, the world is now in the hands of Satan, and he wants to destroy everything that God has created.

Deuteronomy 28:15-25 *"But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee: Cursed shalt thou be in the city, and cursed shalt thou be in the field. Cursed shall be thy basket and thy store. Cursed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep. Cursed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and cursed shalt thou be when thou goest out. The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me. The LORD shall make the pestilence cleave unto thee, until he have consumed thee from off the land, whither thou goest to possess it. The LORD shall smite thee with a consumption, and with a fever, and with an inflammation, and with an extreme burning, and with the sword, and with blasting, and with mildew; and they shall*

pursue thee until thou perish. And thy heaven that is over thy head shall be brass, and the earth that is under thee shall be iron. The LORD shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust: from heaven shall it come down upon thee, until thou be destroyed. (Consider the droughts) The LORD shall cause thee to be smitten before thine enemies: thou shalt go out one way against them, and flee seven ways before them: (The world does not fear us any longer.) and shalt be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.

Deuteronomy 28:26-29 And thy carcase shall be meat unto all fowls of the air, and unto the beasts of the earth, and no man shall fray them away. The LORD will smite thee with the botch of Egypt, and with the emerods, and with the scab, and with the itch, whereof thou canst not be healed. The LORD shall smite thee with madness, and blindness, and astonishment of heart: (this will be from overwhelming fear) And thou shalt grope at noonday, as the blind gropeth in darkness, and thou shalt not prosper in thy ways: and thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled evermore, and no man shall save thee.

People are going to look to the government to save them instead of turning to God.

Brethren, during these times, still have God watching over them, but may face trials and tribulations to test their faith and trust in the Lord. We need to be preparing for the days that are coming upon the world. Even the prophets of old, who had God's protection, were taken captive, and faced physical trials and trials of their faith and trust. We cannot assume that it will be different for any of us. God does know what each of us can handle, so we can trust Him with our life. 1 Corinthians 10:13 *"There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."*

James 1:12 *"Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him."*

The only solution to what this world is facing is not putting our trust in man. Instead, the world needs to turn from their sins, repent and ask God to forgive them. We have a great example of repentance in Jonah 3:5-10 *"So the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them. For word came unto the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and covered him with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. And he caused it to be proclaimed and published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste any thing: let them not feed, nor drink water: But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto God: yea, let them turn every one from his evil way, and from the violence that is in their hands. Who can tell if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not? And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil, that he had said that he would do unto them; and he did it not."*

God's people need to proclaim a warning of coming destruction and death to this nation and the world. All people need to turn to God, declare a fast, repent of their sins and turn to God. If they would do this, then God might stop the curses and heal this nation and the rest of the world. He is the only solution to the problem. END