# EARNESTLY CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH – Nov. 2024

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# **GOD-MADE CLIMATE CHANGE**

The old saying: "*The more things change, the more they remain the same*," has lots of application. Truly there is "nothing new under the sun" (Eccl. 1:9). There have always been fluctuations in the weather, and yet, as God has promised, the change in seasons will continue as long as the earth remains (Gen. 8:22). There will always continue to be "cold and heat, and summer and winter". God has spoken!

Humanity did not create the earth, and neither will humanity destroy it. In both the Old Testament and the New Testament, the Holy Scriptures tell us that the earth will grow old like a garment, and then GOD will fold them up, and they will be changed (cf. Ps. 102:25-27; Heb. 1:10-12). NOTE that God Himself will do this! Ever since the fall of mankind, the second law of thermodynamics (everything is breaking down) has been at play. Thus the whole of creation is subjected to futility and is groaning (as it were) until the day of deliverance (cf. Rom. 8:19-23). Only God Himself can change this reality.

People are so concerned about "global warming," and if they are not right with God, they should be very much AFRAID! I agree that "global warming" (biblically defined) is on its way – the likes which has never been seen before. The only thing is, this will NOT be man-made global warming but rather God-made global warming. It will be the HEAT of God's judgment on a rebel world! However, true believers in the Church Age have the promise to be KEPT "from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth." (Rev. 3:10) The RAPTURE comes first and then WORLDWIDE JUDGMENT! The rapture of 1 Thessalonians 4 precedes the WORLDWIDE Day of the Lord Judgment of 1 Thessalonians 5.

In the Scriptures, it tells us, "Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets." (Amos 3:7) This is HOW God works! Before the UNIVERSAL FLOOD came God warned the world via His servant Noah. Before any major judgment event came concerning Israel God warned them (i.e., the Babylonian Captivity, etc). The Bible does not prophesy of a coming worldwide global warming crisis prior to the Tribulation Period. Yes, down throughout history, there have been isolated regional droughts and all sorts of weather catastrophes, but a total worldwide weather calamity awaits the coming Day of the Lord. But God has told us! IT'S COMING! He has spoken!

## **Revelation 8:7 (NKJV)**

**7** The first angel sounded: And hail and fire followed, mingled with blood, and they were thrown to the earth. And a third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up.

## Revelation 16:8–9 (NKJV)

**8** Then the fourth angel poured out his bowl on the sun, and power was given to him to scorch men with fire.

**9** And men were scorched with great heat, and they blasphemed the name of God who has power over these plagues; and they did not repent and give Him glory.

This is TRUE "Global Warming" or more like "Global Heating". It is God-Made! Then comes Jesus (Rev. 19) and sets up His 1000-year kingdom (Rev. 20). After that comes one final rebellion, which brings about the ultimate fiery judgment to end all "global warming" forever and ever!

## 2 Peter 3:10 (NKJV)

**10** But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. (cf. Rev. 20:9-11)

God destroyed the earth once before with a worldwide FLOOD; the next time, it will be by FIRE!

*Thot:* Yes, "GLOBAL WARMING" is coming but if you want to know the truth about it you have to read the Bible!