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**The Critical
Climate Crisis—
What's My Temperature?**



But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done on it will be found out (2 Pet.:3:10).

Disclaimer: Beware, this article is about Climate Change, but it's not as you might suppose. Neither is this article a political statement, but you might be moved to contrast the current fashionable trends in that arena with the scriptural and historical facts.

Climate alarmist have been hard at work in the past several decades. I vividly remember a popular magazine cover from the 1970's featuring "A New Ice Age". Over 100 such publications in the 1970's are documented with links at the website "<http://www.populartechnology.net/2013/02/the-1970s-global-cooling-alarmism.html>

When scientist noticed that the world's average temperature was rising slightly a few years later, a new trumpet was sounded—"Global Warming". Within twenty years, the warming trend ceased and "Climate Change" became the rage. In each case, it was man's careless polluting of the environment that was blamed. Every storm and cataclysmic event (such as the world has been experiencing since time immemorial) became a proof that these theories must be correct. The expert's solution to the problem remained the same in each case—population control (primarily by eliminating babies and eliminating people who had outlived their usefulness). Also a radical control of "energy sources" must be imposed even if that entails hardships, sickness, death and violence upon millions of people.

There is no doubt that human beings can make a mess of things, so also we can clean things up. But, to really trust in God, we must also accept that overall God reigns sovereign over the ultimate control of the climate. The Word of God is clear:

"With his breath God brings the frost, and the broad waters congeal. The clouds too are laden with moisture, the storm-cloud scatters its light. He it is who changes their rounds, according to his plans, to do all that he commands them across the inhabited world. Whether for punishment or mercy, he makes it happen (Job 37:10-13)."

"When he thunders, the waters in the heavens roar, and he brings up clouds from the end of the earth, Makes lightning flash in the rain, and brings forth the wind from his storehouses. (Jeremiah 10:13).

"-- Who covers the heavens with clouds, provides rain for the earth, makes grass sprout on the mountain (Psalm 147:8)."

"---Lightning and hail, snow and thick clouds, storm wind that fulfills his command;—Psalm 148:8

"He holds in check the waterdrops that filter in rain from his flood, Till the clouds flow with them and they rain down on all humankind. Can anyone understand the spreading clouds, the thunderings from his tent?(Job 36:27-29)

To be sure, mankind has a sacred duty to care for the beautiful gift of creation that God

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has provided. *“The LORD God then took the man and settled him in the garden of Eden, to cultivate and care for it (Ge. 2:15) God blessed them and God said to them: Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it. Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all the living things that crawl on the earth. God also said: See, I give you every seed-bearing plant on all the earth and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to be your food;(Genesis 1:28-29).*

The command was to increase, not decrease. God on His part would supply every need. All of this was of course conditioned on mankind living in harmony with God and His ways.

This plan remains in effect. The fact that man has refused to obey and has insisted on being one’s own god has resulted in such dire consequences that God has been forced to basically “start over” on more than one occasion. However, the Holy Scriptures make it quite clear that God’s decree will eminently prevail. A harmonious eternity is just ahead.

The Holy Scriptures also makes it quite clear that the pathway to Paradise is not all “peaches and cream”. The passage found above near the title of this article (2 Peter 3:10) makes it abundantly clear that it will take a “final conflagration.” This ultimate purgation of all things worldly is not something to be feared by those who understand the “Good News” of the Gospel message. Such people who have believed and embraced the ultimate solution to climate change and every other horrific problem that plagues our souls are not without a blessed hope.

The “solution” is clearly revealed as “a Person”. He has a name, and that name is Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. Mock the solution if you like, but know that there is no other solution despite all of the wayward gymnastics exercised by the human race. Here’s three statements of the ancient Holy writings that put in plain and simple language. Try finding them and reading them in a Bible.

1. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God (John 3:16-18)

2. —for, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is

saved. For the scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.(Romans 9: 10-11).

3. Whoever believes in the Son of God has this testimony within himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar by not believing the testimony God has given about his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever possesses the Son has life; whoever does not possess the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you so that you may know that you have eternal life, you who believe in the name of the Son of God. (1 John 5: 10-13)

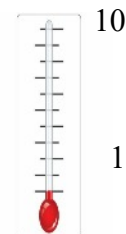
Now, how about our own spiritual climate? Those who have accepted the truth above find themselves blessed with a certain privilege as well as an obligation. The truth is we are to freely share as we have freely been given.

In Revelation, Jesus strongly exhorts the church at Laodicea, a church growing stagnant in their worldly affluence and prosperity. I see His words as a type of spiritual thermometer by which I can evaluate my present spiritual state. **(14) “The Amen, the faithful and true witness, the source of God’s creation, says this:(15) “I know your works; I know that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either cold or hot. (16) So, because you are lukewarm, neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth(Revelation 3: 14-16).**

God has a people that He intends to be as Himself: a white hot lava of consuming love for all that he has created and desires to be intimately related to for all of eternity. He will not be satisfied with a church riddled with spiritual termites. He will not be content with a people with a pseudo spirituality. The Laodicians had become content with a spirituality that teetered on the edge of the irreducible minimum. All the while they were suffering under the hallucination that they were well favored by God. The situation is communicated by God in the strongest of images. The spiritual climate crisis found in the Laodiceans was to make He who is the Divine Healer sick. It made him nauseous. He sensed a need to vomit them out of his mouth. They had become infected with the virus of self-love and spiritual satisfaction. This is a climate crisis to the max and such a condition will not prevail against the dark forces enshrouding our culture.

The seemingly harsh words are followed by one of the greatest of invitations: –**“Those whom I love, I reprove and chastise. Be earnest, therefore, and repent. “Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, [then] I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me (Rev. 3:19-20).**

Question to self: On a scale of 1 to 10, what is my spiritual Temperature?





*Life in the Spirit Seminar—Denton, Nebraska
53 attended the event.*



Lenten Parish Mission, St. Mary's, Denton, NE



*Fourth Grade Class, Lincoln, NE—Jean Marie shares
the Journey of a Child*

Reaching Out

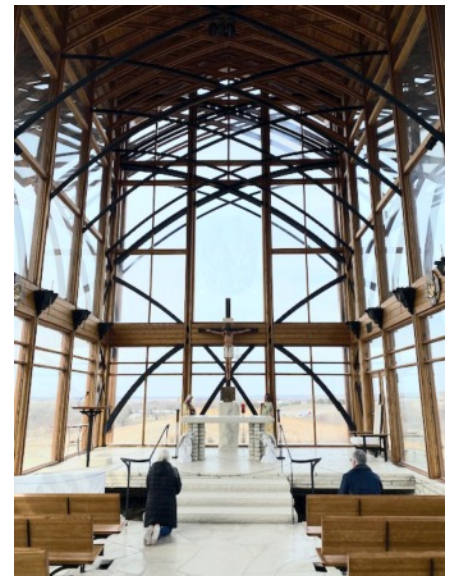


Parish Mission, Buckeye, AZ



Left: The Lenten parish mission at St. Henry, Buckeye, AZ was greatly enhanced by the anointed worship led by nephew Jonas Brand who came from Texas and joined by our friend Daien Welter from the parish.

Right: A time of prayer in the beautiful glass chapel of Holy Family Shrine, Gretna, Nebraska.



Itinerary

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July 11-27, Kigoma Diocese, Tanzania, East Africa—Renewal Ministries Mission—Rallies, Workshops

September 17-28—Brazil—Conferences, TV, multi-city meetings

October 4-9, Ann Arbor, MI—Renewal Ministries Country Coordinators retreat.

Oct. 12-27, Slovakia—Renewal Ministries Mission-Variou parishes, cities, towns, villages



*Tom & Jean Marie
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“So Blessed” by Jean Marie

One of our great blessings is experiencing the different climates overseas and in our own country. This past Lent we saw the warm desert sunsets with the cactus starting to bloom in Arizona and the frozen rolling fields of Nebraska waiting for the Spring and planting of new crops. We also got to experience the spiritual climate in these places. And that has been the greatest blessing of all. In Buckeye at St Henry and in Denton at St Mary’s, we were greatly blessed by the parishioners’ real desire to grow deeper and deeper in the love of our Lord and the hunger to know Him in His Word and the strength of the Holy Spirit to follow Him. We heard stories of struggles yet hope in the midst of the hardships because Jesus is real and they know Him and love Him. We met two beautiful priest, Fr Billy and Fr Doty, who truly have the Shepherd’s heart for their people. Getting to have real fellowship with other believers these days is uplifting and keeps us going, not to mention great fun. I just want you to know there are lots of people out there in this mess of a world that our Lord is not spitting out. We have met them! So, on those hard days, look to our Lord and know you are not alone. We are in this together for we are in the Body of Christ.



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