

# Bad Weather

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## **For Discussion: Why Is Volcanic Activity Starting To Go Crazy All Over The Planet?**

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### **Why Is Volcanic Activity Starting To Go Crazy All Over The Planet?**

All of a sudden, the giant rock that we all live on is starting to go a bit nuts. Unusual volcanic activity is happening all over the globe, but the “experts” are assuring us that there is nothing to be concerned about. But could it be possible that they are wrong? After you have reviewed the information that I provide in this article, come to your own conclusion. To me, it definitely appears that what we are currently witnessing is not normal.

<https://theeconomiccollapseblog.com/why-is-volcanic-activity-starting-to-go-crazy-all-over-the-planet/>

### **Natural Disaster Facts And Statistics 2023**

The number of natural disasters per year has increased significantly in recent years.

<https://www.forbes.com/advisor/homeowners-insurance/natural-disaster-statistics/>

### **Extreme weather events are becoming more severe**

Scientific research has documented how events including extreme precipitation, droughts and forest fires have become more frequent and severe due to climate change.

<https://apnews.com/article/fact-check-extreme-weather-events-climate-change-169250036362>

### **Extreme Weather Events Have Increased Significantly in the Last 20 Years**

There has been a “staggering rise” in the number of extreme weather events over the past 20 years, driven by rising global temperatures, according to the UN.

<https://e360.yale.edu/digest/extreme-weather-events-have-increased-significantly-in-the-last-20-years>

### **Major incident declared after tornado rips through during Storm Gerrit, UK; December 28, 2023**

Tornadoes are not common in the UK, and especially not in December!

<https://watchers.news/2023/12/28/major-incident-declared-in-tameside-after-tornado-rips-through-during-storm-gerrit-uk/>

### **More records tumble as China cold snap persists**

<https://phys.org/news/2023-12-china-cold-snap-persists.html>

### **2023 marks Denmark’s wettest year on record**

<https://watchers.news/2023/12/21/2023-marks-denmarks-wettest-year-on-record/>

### **Rice Nears 15-Year High As Global Food Crisis ‘Much Worse Than 2008’**

<https://www.naturalnews.com/2023-12-06-el-nino-sends-rice-prices-15-year-peak.html>

### **Why are we seeing an increase in severe weather?**

- Worldly view: it’s global warming/climate change!
- Biblical worldview: God is trying to get our attention!

### **Is global warming real?**

Revelation 16:8 – *Then the fourth angel poured out his bowl on the sun, and power was given to him to scorch men with fire.*

It will be; but certainly not caused by Carbon Dioxide.

### **How has God used severe weather to get the attention of His people in the past?**

- When God gave Moses the Ten Commandments, Mount Sinai was covered in “*thunderings and lightnings and a thick cloud*” (Exodus 19:16-18).
- When Christ was crucified, three hours of darkness blotted out the daylight, and Jerusalem experienced a great earthquake (Matthew 27:45,51).
- Moses warned the Israelites that God’s weather-related curses would “*pursue and overtake you because you did not obey the voice of the Lord your God*” (Deut 28:18-30,45-46).
- When the prophet Elijah called King Ahab and Israel to repent, Ahab refused; God sent a drought that withered the crops for 3+ years (1 Kings 17-18).
- When the Jews returned from Babylon to rebuild the Temple, they stopped working after laying the foundation. After 14 years God decimated their crops with root rot and hailstorms. The people repented, and began working to finish the Temple (Haggai 1-2).

## How has God used weather to get our attention in modern times?

In Bill Koenig's book, "Eye to Eye: Facing the Consequences of Dividing Israel" he documented several weather-related events directly related to the US government pressuring Israel to forfeit land for peace...

- The Perfect Storm Oct, 1991 due to George HW Bush advocating land for peace at the Madrid Conference
- Hurricane Andrew Cat 5 in Florida Aug, 1992 due to U.S. pressure in bilateral talks.
- Severe Midwest flooding due to Oslo Accords September, 1993.
- Hurricane Katrina August, 2005 due to U.S. pressure on Israel to force out 9,000 Israelis from Gaza Strip bulldozing 2,700 homes.

## What is the prophetic significance of increasing severe weather?

Luke 21:25 – *And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring*  
Jesus mentioned increasing bad weather as a birth pang in the Olivet Discourse.

Matthew 24:7 – *For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places.*

## Where is the reference to bad weather in Matthew 24?

The Greek word translated "earthquakes" is *seismos*...

- The KJV translates Strong's G4578 in the following manner: earthquake (13x), tempest (1x).

Outline of Biblical Usage...

1. a shaking, a commotion
2. a tempest
3. an earthquake

Strong's Definitions: *seismós*, a commotion, i.e. (of the air) a gale, a tempest; (of the ground) an earthquake.

## So, was *seismós* translated correctly here as earthquakes, or should it have been tempests?

Both meanings apply here... the point is that *seismós* is a shaking that is an act of God so it represents both earthquakes and tempests.

## Have earthquakes been increasing?

The annual number of "great" earthquakes has nearly tripled over the last decade. Between 2004 and 2014, 18 earthquakes with a magnitude of 8.0 or more rattled subduction zones around the globe—an increase of 265 percent over the average rate of the previous century. Leading news agencies warn that America itself might be overdue for a "Big One."

## Are there other instances where *seismós* was translated earthquakes that could also be tempests?

Context is important...

Revelation 6:12 – *I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood.*

This reinforces Joel 2:10 which clearly mentions earthquakes in Hebrew but the atmospheric disturbances also point to a tempest.

Revelation 8:5 – *Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and threw it to the earth. And there were noises, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake.*

The reference to *thunderings, lightnings* here certainly indicates that a tempest is described.

Revelation 11:19 – *Then the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the ark of His covenant was seen in His temple. And there were lightnings, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail.*

Again, the reference to *thunderings, lightnings and great hail* here certainly indicates that a tempest is described.

## How else does God shaking the earth and atmosphere point to the coming Tribulation?

Haggai 2:6-7 – *For thus says the Lord of hosts: 'Once more (it is a little while) I will shake heaven and earth, the sea and dry land; and I will shake all nations, and they shall come to the Desire of All Nations, and I will fill this temple with glory,' says the Lord of hosts.*

The Tribulation will be the ultimate shaking of heaven and earth where the nations themselves are also shaken.

## What should our response be when we are shaken by events in this world?

This should drive us closer to God recognizing that His will be done, His Kingdom will come to earth probably sooner than we realize.

## What applications do we see from this discussion?

- God is in control; things are falling into place.
- Acts of God are clearly signs of Jesus' soon return!

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<https://christinprophecyblog.org/2023/01/extreme-weather-in-bible-prophecy/>