

**"Back to the Future"**

**Genesis 10-11**

**Introduction:** I have had many people asking for a message on Global Warming and so today we are going to dive into the popular subject and so what the Bible has to say.

**Matthew 24:5-8, 11**

<sup>5</sup> *For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.*

<sup>6</sup> *And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.*

<sup>7</sup> *For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.*

<sup>8</sup> *All these are the beginning of sorrows.*

<sup>11</sup> *And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.*

**I. The Authority of Scripture**

Today we shall use the Bible to examine the claims of the Global Warming advocates so before we do, we need see why we can trust the Bible.

**2 Timothy 3:16-17**

<sup>16</sup> *All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:*

<sup>17</sup> *That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.*

God's Word will all be fulfilled just as it reads.

**Matthew 5:18**

<sup>18</sup> *For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.*

This Book does NOT contain the Word of God, but this Book IS the Word of God. The Bible is the Final Authority. Whatever happens in this world and whatever is taught in this world must be examined by the Bible.

**II. Claims made by Global Warming Activists.**

I cannot possibly address every claim made by the Global Warming activists so we shall look at some of the major claims. If you listen to the news very long, you will hear many warnings from the activists. On the weather channel there seems to be several reports each and every week about how the weather is always changing. There seems to be a change in terminology since I was younger. There are no regular storms anymore. They are "Bomb Cyclones" or "Polar Vortex" storms. If you listen to weather reports in the winter, they always call for ice accumulations that can be measured with a ruler. I have yet to see one such storm. But the point is that everything is worded to cause fear.

Let us now consider some of the claims and also see what the Bible has to say.

**1. Carbon Dioxide levels are dangerously high.**

Carbon dioxide has been labeled as a pollutant by Global Warming advocates. They believe that the burning of fossil fuels must be stopped in order to resolve this problem. We must understand that those who lead the activists are evolutionists. **Al Gore who sees himself as the spear head has admitted that he is an evolutionist.** They believe that there was a time in the distant past when earth's atmosphere contained a much higher percentage of carbon dioxide and no oxygen. These people believe the earth's atmosphere developed oxygen only as a result of photosynthesis by plants or bacteria. Advocates believe that forests, especially tropical rain forests, are the largest reservoir for storing carbon and generating oxygen on land. This helps explain their strong desire to protect rain forests.

Listen to what Answers in Genesis has to say about the carbon dioxide in our atmosphere.

*"The U. S. federal threshold level for CO2 in underground mines is currently 5,000 ppm. This is not a hazardous level. It is the concentration at which miners can be safely removed from the mine and the passageways ventilated. The level of CO2 in our atmosphere could increase over 1,300% before reaching the current mine safety limit, and this level has been reduced to only 42% of the prior safe limit. Today's atmospheric concentration of CO2 is clearly safe for humans, and will be for over a thousand years at today's rate of increase."*

When God created the earth, He created the atmosphere and all the gases that exist within it.

**Genesis 1:1-8**

*In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.*

<sup>2</sup> *And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.*

<sup>3</sup> *And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.*

<sup>4</sup> *And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.*

<sup>5</sup> *And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.*

<sup>6</sup> *And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.*

<sup>7</sup> *And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so.*

<sup>8</sup> *And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.*

Carbon dioxide was created in order to prepare for the creation of the plants that would be created on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day. Plants need carbon dioxide to survive. So God created carbon dioxide and the plants took it in. The interesting thing is that the fossil fuels that we burn today are the plants that existed before the flood and so when the fossil fuels are burned, they are putting back into the atmosphere what God had created in the beginning.

We need CO<sub>2</sub> and higher levels are actually better because it increases the size and the production of crops. There are green houses that actually use "carbon dioxide enrichment" to grow plants larger and faster.

We need plants but not for the reason that most people believe. It is taught that we need plants for oxygen but that is not the case.

### **Genesis 1:29-30**

<sup>29</sup> *And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; **to you it shall be for meat.***

<sup>30</sup> *And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, **I have given every green herb for meat:** and it was so.*

Plants are for food not for oxygen. God created oxygen when He created the earth and there is an abundant supply. Noah and his family were in the ark over a year and all the plants were destroyed yet he, his family and the animals all survived. Where did the oxygen come from? God created oxygen and it was in the atmosphere.

Man was given dominion over the earth and therefore he is to use the resources that are here. That includes fossil fuels.

**Genesis 1:27-28**

*27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.*

*28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.*

Man is to have dominion over the earth and that means he is to use the resources that are here including fossil fuels. The UK shut down fossil fuels a couple of years back and thousands died of hypothermia. Fossil fuels are the cheapest energy on the earth. God allowed them to form so that poor people could have a source of energy.

**2. Oceans are rising.**

This is another claim by the Global Warming activists. The oceans levels have fluctuated over the past years, but the ocean waters can only go so far.

God is in complete control of His creation.

**Job 38:8-11**

*8 Or who shut up the sea with doors, when it brake forth, as if it had issued out of the womb?*

*9 When I made the cloud the garment thereof, and thick darkness a swaddlingband for it,*

*10 And brake up for it my decreed place, and set bars and doors,*

*11 And said, Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: and here shall thy proud waves be stayed?*

**Psalms 104:6-9**

<sup>6</sup> *Thou coveredst it with the deep as with a garment: the waters stood above the mountains.*

<sup>7</sup> *At thy rebuke they fled; at the voice of thy thunder they hasted away.*

<sup>8</sup> *They go up by the mountains; they go down by the valleys unto the place which thou hast founded for them.*

<sup>9</sup> **Thou hast set a bound that they may not pass over; that they turn not again to cover the earth.**

### Jeremiah 5:22

<sup>22</sup> *Fear ye not me? saith the LORD: will ye not tremble at my presence, which have placed **the sand for the bound of the sea by a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass it:** and though the waves thereof toss themselves, yet can they not prevail; though they roar, yet can they not pass over it?*

### 3. The earth is warming, because of fossil fuels.

Global warming advocates claim that since the start of the industrial revolution, the burning of fossil fuels has unnaturally increased the level of CO<sub>2</sub>. This in turn is increasing the earth's surface temperature. This is called the GHG effect. They claim there will be great devastation from this, namely: melting ice caps, rising sea level, expanding deserts, more storms, extinction of certain animals, growing threats from pestilence, and others. If these claims are true, we should certainly be concerned.

What does the Bible say?

### Genesis 8:21-22

<sup>21</sup> *And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.*

<sup>22</sup> **While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.**

### Colossians 1:16-17

<sup>16</sup> *For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:*

<sup>17</sup> And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

### III. The Root Cause

#### Romans 1:18-23

<sup>18</sup> For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;

<sup>19</sup> Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them.

<sup>20</sup> For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

<sup>21</sup> Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

<sup>22</sup> Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

<sup>23</sup> And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.

### IV. Where is this all going?

#### Notice Genesis 10:8-10a

#### Notice Genesis 11:1-9

The leaders used fear to control the people.

1. Fear of climate change.
2. Fear of declining longevity.

#### Genesis 8:22

<sup>22</sup> While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

#### Genesis 9:1-2

And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

<sup>2</sup> *And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered.*

Some at Bable did not believe these Words. Possibly this was the first practice of Cancel Culture. They knew the Truth but would not allow it to be proclaimed.

**Ecclesiastes 1:9-10**

<sup>9</sup> *The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: **and there is no new thing under the sun.***

<sup>10</sup> *Is there any thing whereof it may be said, See, this is new? it hath been already of old time, which was before us.*

What do we do?

1. Teach the Bible in the church.
2. Exercise the freedom of speech.
3. Strengthen the family. This is the social unit of resistance.
4. Exercise citizenship rights and responsibilities.