



THINGS WORTH KNOWING

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Jesus' disciples came to him privately and asked, "**Tell us, WHEN SHALL THESE THINGS BE**" (MATT. 24:3; MARK 13:4; LUKE 21:7)? If you are a follower of Jesus Christ, you will want to know the answer to this question too.

Three out of the four gospels records the signs of what we should be looking for, and "...unto them that **LOOK FOR HIM shall he appear the SECOND time**" (HEBREWS 9:28).

"**WATCH** ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning: lest **COMING SUDDENLY** he find you **SLEEPING**. And what I say unto you I say unto all, **WATCH**" (MARK 13:35-37).

Tiger Population Dropping

Tigers once roamed across a large stretch of Asia, with some of the animals living as far west as Iran and Turkey.



But today, their population has fallen to as low as 3,200, down from an estimated number of 100,000 in 1900. Siberian tigers and other big cat species may soon only be found living in zoos and wildlife parks.

The problem is largely due to people living near their habitats, hunting and illegal trading. Their decline will effect the delicate balance in the earth's ecosystem.

Could it be that one day, possibly soon, man and beast will fight for survival for food and shelter?

"**Woe unto you that desire the day of the Lord! To what end is it for you? The day of the Lord is darkness, and not light. As if a man did flee from a lion, and a bear met him; or went into the house, and leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him**" (AMOS 5:18-19).

Mouse Plague in Australia

Australian farmers who have been battling a huge locust infestation for the past few months are now forced to cope with a plague of mice that threatens to devour almost everything in their path.

Some farmers say the plague has become so bad, they are choosing not to grow grain because the rodents chew everything, including the wiring on their vehicles.



Not only do they threaten the food supply, but they also bring with them diseases. As the world population increases, and crops are depleted by storms and rising temperatures, famines and diseases are a certainty.

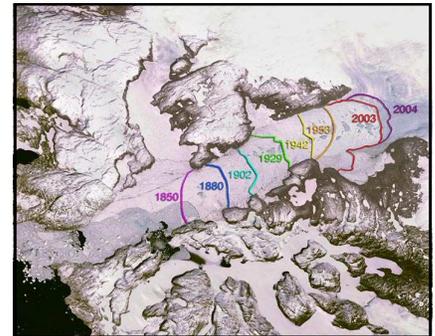
"...**great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and FAMINES, and PESTILENCES; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven**" (LUKE 21:11).

Massive Glacier Breaks Off

Greenland's Jakobshavn Isbrae glacier broke off into the sea earlier this month, startling scientists. The breakup of nearly 3 square miles of ice caused the glacier to retreat inland nearly 1 mile between July 6 and 7, to a point farther from the sea than ever before observed.

Jakobshavn Isbrae is responsible for as much as 10 percent of all ice lost from Greenland, and is believed to be the single largest contributor to the sea level rising in the Northern Hemisphere.

This sudden breakup is believed to be caused by the warming of the oceans. Ice loss throughout Greenland and Antarctica is due to a warm winter, which saw no sea ice forming in the surrounding area. The glacier is



located on Greenland's west coast and has moved more than 27 miles since 1850. It has retreated almost six miles over the past decade.

More Hot Times are Coming

The sweltering heat waves that have baked several parts of the Northern Hemisphere over the past two weeks will become commonplace within the lifetimes of most of the world's current inhabitants. Researchers believe that the longest heat waves on record which occurred between 1951 and 1999 will likely become five times as frequent between 2020 and 2029.



Researchers also caution that the 2030's are likely to become even hotter, affecting not only the atmosphere, but also changes in precipitation and soil moisture.

Scientific predictions concerning timetables have proven to be sooner, rather than later, but their predictions are still consistent with the Word of God:

"**And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon THE SUN; and power was given unto him to SCORCH MEN with fire. And men were scorched with GREAT HEAT, and blasphemed the name of God**" (REV. 16:8-9).

What about you? Are you looking for the return of Christ through the signs today? "...**KNEW NOT until the flood came, and took them ALL AWAY; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be**" (MATTHEW 24:39). Therefore, what I say unto you I say unto all, WATCH.