



*The Days of the End-Time Elijah—*

## **The Ezekiel WATCHMAN**

*“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful Day of the LORD!”*

*Malachi 4:5; Matthew 17:10-11*

Alton B. (Don) Billingsley

## ***God’s Warning Message***

**“... The end has come it has DAWNED for you; Behold it has come! . . . a day of trouble is near; ... Now upon you, I will soon pour out My fury . . . So, you, son of man: I have made you A WATCHMAN for the house of Israel; therefore, you shall hear a word from My mouth and WARN them for Me.”**

**Ezekiel 7:6-8; 33:7**

## ***“The Approaching Famine”***

***America is facing a water crisis!***

Warnings continue to be sounded by the News Media of the present danger of running out of water.

## Across US West, drought arriving dangerously early

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Lake Mead, situated on the Nevada/Arizona border, is the largest reservoir in the US and a major water supplier to the Southwest; it is now at its lowest level in nearly 90 years Bridget BENNET AFP/File

**“... Eighty-eight percent of the West was in a state of drought this week, including the entire states of California, Oregon, Utah and Nevada, according to official data.**

In a particularly stark symptom of this trend, which is affecting more than 143 million Americans, Lake Mead – the country's largest reservoir, lying at the border of Nevada and Arizona – now stands at its lowest level since its creation in the 1930s.

The situation in northern California, which normally receives ample precipitation in the winter and spring, is no better. Lake Oroville, the state's second largest reservoir and a key part of a network providing potable water to 27 million Californians, is 165 feet (50 meters) lower than in 2019.

The lake, formed when the massive Hoover Dam was built across the Colorado River not far from Las Vegas, stands at just 36 percent of capacity, below even a record set in 2016.

Widespread water-use restrictions appear inevitable over the coming months, with potentially serious ramifications for Western states, in particular for irrigation-dependent farmers – who provide much of the country's fruits and vegetables.

In California, whose vast almond groves supply 80 percent of world production, some farmers have already begun uprooting trees to save water.”

End of Quotes

### **Famine at the Door**

Not only is the shortage of water affecting farmers and ranchers, but it will soon affect the power grid as well providing there is no adequate rainfall, and that does not look likely. However, some rain is expected but it will not be enough to fully supply the needs, as

made known by knowledgeable officials. Based on the following writing the picture does not look all that rosy due to a number of things.

Jay Lund, a professor at the University of California Davis who heads its Center for Watershed Sciences, described the prolonged periods of precipitation and dry periods over centuries, sometimes lasting decades.

“We’ve always had a lot of trouble with droughts. Always,” Lund said. “The difference here is now the temperatures are higher. Now we have more people. Now we have more agriculture. Now we need more water and have an increased demand.”

And just a small adjustment, such as temperatures becoming just a few degrees warmer, can start a ripple effect impacting everything from water levels, food prices, water consumption and the number of wildfires.” End of Quotes

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## **Hungry Grasshoppers Threaten Rangeland**

A punishing drought in the US West is drying up waterways, sparking wildfires and leaving framers scrambling for water. Next up a plague of voracious grasshoppers. Federal agriculture officials launching what could become their largest grasshopper-killing campaign since the 1980s amid an outbreak of the drought-loving insects that cattle ranchers fear will strip bare public and private rangelands.

To blunt the grasshoppers’ economic damage, the US Department of Agriculture this week began aerial spraying of the pesticide diflubenzuron to kill grasshopper nymphs before they develop into adults.

—Associated Press

## **Officials Pull ‘Emergency Lever’ as Lake Powell Plunges Toward Dangerous New Low**

The West's second-largest reservoir could be at risk of losing the ability to generate hydropower as officials rush to fill it.

By

Molly Taft 7/16/21 3:02PM

The latest megadrought alarm bell just went off in the West. The Bureau of Reclamation began emergency water releases from reservoirs upstream in the Colorado River this week in an effort to keep Lake Powell, the country's second-largest reservoir, full enough to continue to generate hydroelectric power.

The manmade lake, which sits along the crucial Colorado River, has reached the lowest levels it's been in decades due to extreme heat and the searing drought that's gripped the region coupled with overuse. The reservoir is projected to hit a critical new low of (1,075 meters) by April 2022, just 25 feet (7.6 meters) above the level at which hydropower can no longer be generated. The Bureau of Reclamation [said](#) the emergency releases from reservoirs upstream—which includes the Flaming Gorge Reservoir in Wyoming, the Blue Mesa Reservoir in Colorado, and the Navajo Reservoir in New Mexico—will continue until December and could last into next year.

The low water levels in Lake Powell aren't just a problem for the industries and cities that rely on the water in the reservoir. It's also an issue for the Glen Canyon Dam, a [1,320-megawatt hydroelectric power plant](#) that produces electricity distributed to customers in seven different states. The Bureau of Reclamation said the releases from Flaming Gorge, which will start this month, will increase the water level 50 cubic feet (1.4 cubic meters) per second every day, and will last until July 23.

Glen Canyon Dam isn't the only hydropower plant facing trouble with the West's megadrought. The water level at Lake Oroville, California's largest reservoir, has dipped so low this summer during the state's searing heat that officials say they may have to [shut off the hydropower plant](#) there.

"We are facing unprecedented dry conditions in the Colorado River Basin, Rebecca Mitchell, Upper Colorado River Commissioner for the state of Colorado, [told KUNC](#). "More details about conditions as well as planning efforts are forthcoming. What we do know is that the Upper Basin Drought Contingency Plan calls for increased coordination and planning in situations like this. And those agreements call for the Bureau of

Reclamation to closely consult with the Upper Basin States, including Colorado. It has never been more critical to work together.”

Releasing water from upstream reservoirs during a megadrought is a big deal; as a source [told](#) KUNC reporter Luke Runyon, “Reclamation just pulled the emergency lever.” The Colorado River provides drinking water for 40 million people in states across the Southwest. Lake Powell was constructed in the early 1960s, in order to create a reservoir of supply for states along the upper part of the river to deliver water to states in the lower part of the river, as part of the 100-year-old water agreement that dictates how the river’s water is distributed. But historic overuse of the river’s resources paired with climate change—which, [studies have shown](#), could decrease flow by as much as 30% by 2050—has meant that the river’s flow is rapidly diminishing.

The water levels in Lake Powell don’t just affect hydropower, but also how water is distributed throughout the Southwest. Lake Mead, another large reservoir downstream on the river, [fell to its lowest levels in history](#) in June. Officials are planning to declare water shortage conditions in August that would trigger water-saving measures in surrounding states. If Lake Powell falls below that crucial threshold of 3,525 feet that it’s set to meet next spring, it could affect how the lower states get their water—and [trigger potential lawsuits](#) and fights over who has the right to use water from the river.

In 2019, the seven states that rely on the river entered into a contingency plan for what happens if Lake Powell drops below the threshold. Part of the extreme scenario of this plan was emergency releases from upstream reservoirs, like the type of releases the Bureau of Reclamation has decided to do this month.

If the water levels fall below 3,525 feet in Lake Powell and the agreement falls apart, it could “potentially lead to seven-state litigation, which we’ve never seen before on [the] Colorado River,” Amy Ostdiek, deputy section chief of the federal, interstate and water information section of the Colorado Water Conservation Board, told Colorado Public Radio. “Which would create a lot of uncertainty. It would probably be a very long, drawn out process.”

Elsewhere, the West’s reservoirs have come under increasing pressure. Satellite imagery shows many in [decline year over year](#). Drinking water quality is suffering, and at least one town has committed to a [moratorium on new construction](#) as water resources run dangerously low. Even natural bodies of water such as Utah’s Great Salt Lake haven’t escaped from the megadrought, also [dipping to record lows](#). End of Quotes

## **Yet another lake in the Western U.S. drops to record-low water levels**

Provided by NBC News

“Water levels in the southern part of Utah's Great Salt Lake have dropped to their lowest levels ever recorded, and experts say conditions at the largest saltwater lake in the Western Hemisphere will decline further as extreme drought chokes nearly the entire state. ...” End of Quote

### ***Water Being Stolen***

To make matters worse, water is being stolen as made known in the following news article.

## **California’s water is being stolen while its communities deal with extreme drought emergency**

Updated Jul 26, 2021; Posted Jul 23, 2021, By [Linda Hasco | lhasco@pennlive.com](#)

The drought situation in California is dire, and as California advances into its hottest and driest stretch of the year, forcing municipalities to restrict water use more and more, water thefts are threatening to make a bad situation even direr.

According to a [report by CNN](#), California is in the grips of extreme drought, and water is increasingly scarce. To make matters even more critical, thieves are “tapping into fire hydrants, rivers, and even small family homes and farms,” making off with billions of gallons of the precious resource.

The water theft occurring during this drought is not a new problem. [Reportedly](#), state and local officials say it’s a “long-running issue,” but as reservoirs dry up, the intensifying drought has “driven the thefts to record levels” as thieves abscond with stolen water, often used to foster “the growth of illegal marijuana crops.”

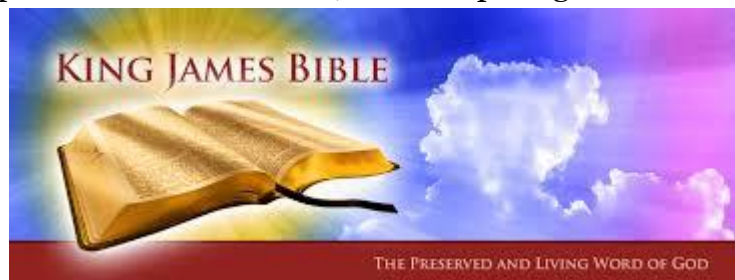
“Water stealing has never been more severe,” [said](#) John Nores, former head of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife Marijuana Enforcement Team. He added the agency has been fighting the thefts that have been “devastating to communities,” usually in rural areas of the state, for years. Nores said:

*"More than 12 billion gallons of water are estimated to have been stolen across the state since 2013, impacting legitimate farming operations, drinking water sources, Native American tribes and small communities."*

*"The amount of water that is being stolen to water those (marijuana) plants has a huge impact on our local aquifers." End of Quotes*

## **Biblical Prophecy For the End Time**

The Holy Bible is considered to be archaic, out of touch with modern day society. However, when considering its prophecies of the end-time, and comparing them to the major events and disasters forming and taking place, it becomes easy to see the holy Scriptures with its prophecies are more than relevant.



Further, its prophecies give *advance warnings* before the major events take place to enable mankind the opportunity to make needed preparation as possible under given circumstances (*Hosea 5:9; Amos 5:7*).

This present writing, and others scheduled to be posted bi-monthly on this website for the next five years is to show and prove its relevancy to the unbiased mind.

Based on what is understood from Biblical prophecy, though the water shortage is approaching a critical stage at the present, and worsening, it will not reach a crisis stage until after the year, 2023.

Prophecy speaks of this present time by paralleling it with the famine that came on ancient Israel during the time of the prophet Elijah.

### **The First Stages of *Famine***

***“... And there shall be Famines ...” Matthew 24:7***

The rider on the Black Horse will have begun his symbolic ride in 2023. A ride covering *three and one-half years*—completing it in 2026. Revelation 6:5-6.

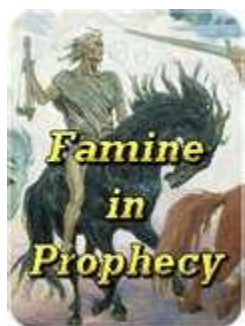
**“And when He had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, ‘Come and see.’ And I beheld, and lo a Black Horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of scales in his hand.**



**And I heard a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, ‘A quart of wheat for a denarius (*margin: about one day’s wages for a worker*) and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not harm the oil and the wine.’” Revelation 6:5-6.**

### The **Famine** of Elijah’s Time and Today

Those who seriously study the Holy Bible, and its history cannot help but see the dualities and parallels; and how they correspond with major events in this end-time. One such parallel is that of the approaching famine and the one during the time of Elijah.



From the quotes in this writings, it should clearly be seen the House of Joseph, America, and England, is now on the very edge of the final fulfillment of the prophecies in this end-time.



Looming ever closer like a dark stormy cloud is the prophesied dreaded **famine** of the end-time. It parallels with the **famine** at the time of Elijah, as prophesied by the prophet Joel, and also found in other prophecies of the holy Bible.

### Trending News Reports From Former Years

Though the following news reports are of former years, they make known the continued trend of the ever-approaching famine now close at hand.

The news reports of the year, 2011, made known that all-time records have been broken in the weather system: too much rain in some areas (east coast), severe drought in other places (Oklahoma, Kansas, etc., *cf. Amos 4:7-8*), along with terrible fires; fires burned much of the state of Texas devouring over 1500 homes in one city alone.



It did not end in that year!

Since that time, it has come down hard! Immediately after the eclipse in 2017, record-breaking floods occurred in Texas, while record-breaking fires broke out in California.

Nor did they end in that year! They have continued since—major ones—record-breaking—such as the fires presently burning in several states as the following news article makes known.

### **USA TODAY John Bacon July 14, 2021**

“Thousands of firefighters battling scores of Western wildfires were finding little solace in the weather Wednesday, and afternoon wind gusts were forecast to fan blazes already fueled by near-record heat and drought conditions.

More than 16,000 firefighters are combating at least 68 major fires in 12 states, the National Interagency Fire Center said. More than 1 million acres – almost 1,600 square miles – were ablaze. And long-range forecasts call for temperatures to increase over the weekend and into next week.

"The atmosphere about the West generally, and the Northwest specifically, will remain tragically dry," [AccuWeather's](#) Senior Meteorologist Matt Rinde said. "There are no indicators for at least the next week that the moisture in the Southwest will move northward or that moisture will build in from the west."

In Oregon, the Bootleg Fire remained the nation's largest and continued to rapidly grow. Fire officials say it might take more than four months to fully contain the blaze. More than 300 square miles have burned – an area more than twice the size of Portland – and the National Guard was called in to help with road closures and traffic control.

"Poor humidity recovery at night is contributing to active fire spread," the incident report warned. "Robust spread rates are being generated by drought-affected fuels. Expecting similar conditions for the next several days." End of Quotes

## **The Prophecy of the Prophet Joel**

The past and present record-breaking disasters have set this country up for the beginning of the prophesied famine.

As it was said by Elijah to King Ahab (*I Kings 17:1*), so will it be with the beginning of the year 2023. ***There will be no more dew nor rain for three-and-one-half years, ending in the year-2026.***

That year will bring a conclusion to all the prophesied major events—bringing about the demise of this once-great nation as revealed by God in Holy Scripture.

Joel, a prophet of God, prophesied of this present time—that is leading into the critical coming future that will affect everyone. Joel 1:15-20.

**“Alas for the day! For the day of the LORD is at hand. It shall come as destruction from the Almighty. ... O Lord, to You I cry out; for FIRE has devoured the open pastures (*margin: pastures of the wilderness*), and a FLAME has burned all the trees of the field. The beasts of the field also cry out to You, for the WATER BROOKS are dried up, and FIRE has devoured the open pastures.” Joel 1:15-20.**

The *prelude* of this coming time is presently being witnessed *via* the reporting from the New Media.

As will be noted in future writings, *famine*, is just one of the major disastrous events yet to occur before the end of this nation.

Other warnings have been taking place for some few years as well! All pointing to the time when they will all come together in one year—2026.

## **Disasters Paving the Way to Total Destruction**

God through His prophet wrote of this time in which mankind now lives. Ezekiel 7:6, 26.

**“An end has come; it has dawned for you; behold it has come! Doom has come to you, you who dwell in the land; the time has come, a day of trouble is near. ... Disaster will come upon disaster.” Ezekiel 7:6, 26.**

With these prophetic warning Scriptures in mind, consider a major leading disaster that has paved the way for others to follow:



It began on the infamous day of 9-11-2001! Terrorists forcibly took over control of two passenger planes. They used them to fly directly into the twin towers in New York and destroyed them. Then other terrorists crashed a passenger plane into the Pentagon in Washington, D. C.

Another captive passenger plane believed to be headed for the White House, but was cut short of its objective by passengers overwhelming the terrorists—it crashed in Pennsylvania.

Almost, 3000 people lost their lives that tragic and fateful day.

A large black-border Headline at the time stated the following:

**9-11-01**

### ***“America Changed Forever”***

Problems of one kind or another have continued with little respite from that time unto now as prophesied (*Ezekiel 7:26, “disaster upon disaster!”—of one kind or another*).

Further, Biblical prophecy makes known the record-breaking disasters of the past few years, and present, were harbingers of the worst yet to come, so says God. *Ezekiel 7:1-4, 26*.

**Moreover, the word of the LORD came to me, saying, “And you, son of man, thus says the Lord GOD to the land of Israel: ‘An end! The end has come upon the four corners of the land (no states to be spared). Now the end has come upon you, and I will send My anger against you; I will judge you according to your ways, and I will repay you for all your abominations ... then you shall [come to] know that I am the LORD. ... Disaster will come upon disaster ...’” (*Ezekiel 7:1-4, 26*).**

Note: The land of Israel today is America—*Tribe of Manasseh*. Britain, *Tribe of Ephraim* (*The Book, “The United States and Britain in Prophecy” with detailed proof of their identity can be read or downloaded from our website, [www.cog-ff.com](http://www.cog-ff.com)*).

The name of Israel was given to them in an ancient time (*Genesis 48:8-20*). They lost their identity over time, but God has not forgotten who they are as Scripture makes known (*cf. Matthew 10:5-6; James 1:1*).

Considering what has been witnessed in nature thus far, and with these prophecies in mind, one cannot help but wonder—aside from the major events that are known from prophecy, *what form will they take in the few remaining years?*

### **The Famine Close at Hand**

It has become increasingly clear these record-breaking disasters in nature and experienced in many states have been forerunners for the ravenous severe **famine** for this end-time, and other critical major events yet to come.



As already noted, this coming **famine** is intended by God to be a type, a historical duality, of the severe **famine** experienced in Israel during the time of Elijah (*I Kings 17:1; Luke 4:24-25*).

It was brought on the people during that time for the very same reason it is being brought on the peoples of Israel today.

### **Warning from Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong**

*Sixty-five years ago*, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong wrote the following in his booklet, **1975 in Prophecy**, page 1, (*revised edition 1956*):  
**“Today this world is changing—fast! Unprecedented events are shaking the world already. Yet what we have seen is mild compared to the catastrophic happenings that will rock the world.**



**Page 18, “IT’S LATER THAN YOU THINK! ... Before we realize it, we’ll find ourselves in the throes of FAMINE, and uncontrollable epidemics of DISEASE ... Along with the coming famine and disease epidemic will come an invasion of billions of crop-destroying bugs, insects, and locusts (grasshoppers) on a scale never before to devastate a land. You’ll read of this in the first chapter of Joel.” End of Quotes**

## **Trending News Articles Reveal the Setting for the Coming Famine**

News articles continue to make known officials are expressing real concern due to the shrinking water supplies! In some areas people have already experienced the rationing of water. In other areas there has been flooding from too much rain (*cf. Amos 4:7-8*).

Though the following news articles are outdated, the content remains pretty much the same—*only worse*. Their trend—painting a picture of the near future:

***Published by Tess Pennington on August 29th, 2011***

**Natural News: The Ripple Effect: Water Shortages Likely In Most Populated Cities**

“The realization that our water is in fact a finite resource has become all the more clear over the last year where parts of the country have experienced the worst droughts in a century. The changes in global weather patterns and a rapidly growing population have also substantially affected the water supply.

In 2010, an [article](#) was written that examined the risk of water shortages across the country. The writers of the article looked at an [October, 2010 report on water risk](#) by environmental research and sustainability group, Ceres. They also considered a comprehensive July 2010 report from the National Resources Defense Council which mapped areas at high risk of water shortage conflict. The analysis allowed officials to choose ten cities which are likely to face severe shortages in the relatively near-term future. The cities are:

**10. Orlando, Florida, 9. Atlanta, Georgia, 8. Tucson, Arizona, 7. Las Vegas, Nevada, 6. Fort Worth, Texas, 5. San Francisco Bay Area, California, 4. San Antonio, Texas, 3. Phoenix, Arizona, 2. Houston, Texas, 1. Los Angeles, California**

However, according to [Natural News](#), these cities should not be the only ones concerned about future water shortages. According to U.S. government estimates, at least 36 states are expected to face water shortages within the next five years [*they did, and afterwards, but not to the extent they will in the near future.*]

### [The Ripple Effect](#)

In many parts of the country where severe droughts are present, the dry, hot ground is causing major water mains to break and essentially draining the city’s water. In the very near future, cities and towns could place more stringent water restrictions on its inhabitants, but how would these restrictions affect the city as a whole?

In Houston, TX three [firefighters were injured](#) in a 4 alarm fire. The article indicates that the fire was difficult to put out partly due to issues with the water supply. This begs the question of how can a city not warn its inhabitants of a water shortage? If there is a water shortage in many areas of the states, are we all vulnerable to the water be turned off like in this North Texas town?

If we experience water shortages in much of the nation, then cities will have to look for alternate water sources. Water is already a scarce commodity, so there will be competition both locally and statewide for remaining water sources which could make life in these cities nearly unbearable for residents. With emotions running high, a ripple effect could sweep the nation and possibly [fuel more aggressive behavior](#) amongst those living in major cities.” End of Quotes

**msnbc.com**

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## **America's breadbasket aquifer running dry; massive agriculture collapse inevitable**

by Mike Adams, the Health Ranger, **Natural News Editor**

(Natural News) “It's the largest underground freshwater supply in the world, stretching from South Dakota all the way to Texas. It's underneath most of Nebraska's farmlands, and it provides crucial water resources for farming in Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma and even New Mexico. It's called the Ogallala Aquifer, and it is being pumped dry.

See the map of this aquifer here: <http://www.naturalnews.com/images/O...>

Without the Ogallala Aquifer, **America's heartland food production collapses**. No water means no irrigation for the corn, wheat, alfalfa and other crops grown across these states to feed people and animals. And each year, the Ogallala Aquifer drops another few inches as it is literally being sucked dry by the tens of thousands of agricultural wells that tap into it across the heartland of America.

This problem with all this is that **the Ogallala Aquifer isn't being recharged** in any significant way from rainfall or rivers. This is so-called "fossil water" because once you use it, it's gone. And it's disappearing now faster than ever.

In some regions along the aquifer, the water level has dropped so far that it has effectively disappeared – places like **Happy, Texas**, where a once-booming agricultural town has collapsed to a population of just 595. All the wells drilled there in the 1950's tapped into the Ogallala Aquifer and seemed to provide abundant water at the time. But today **the wells have all run dry**.

Happy, Texas has become a place of despair. Dead cattle. Wilted crops. Once-moist soils turned to dust. And Happy is just the beginning of this story because **this same agricultural tragedy will be repeated across Oklahoma, Nebraska, Kansas and parts of Colorado** in the next few decades. That's a hydrologic fact. Water doesn't magically reappear in the Ogallala. Once it's used up, it's gone.

"There used to be 50,000 head of cattle, now there's 1,000," says Kay Horner in a *Telegraph* report (<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/earth/83...>). "Grazed them on wheat, but the feed lots took all the water so we can't grow wheat. Now the feed lots can't get local steers so they bring in cheap unwanted milking calves from California and turn them into burger if they can't make them veal. It doesn't make much sense. We're heading back to the Dust Bowl." End of Quote

## The Coming Starvation In America

By James P. Wickstrom 10-3-5

"The government of the United States, by Law was to always maintain a three year mixed-grain survival storage for every man, woman, and child in the United States.

Like most Laws of the land, the politicians never took heed as to why our wise ancestors had this reserve requirement established. It was to make sure, that, in the time of a National Emergency, the people had the most important mainstay needed for survival individually and as a Nation. Remember, the people make the Nation, the Nation does not make the people.

In the 1960's and 1970's the different political administrations of Washington, D. C. walked away from sanity and started to give the surplus grains which were here in elevator storage all over the country, to other nations, such as the Soviet Union, India, etc. This continued over two decades, until the elevators were empty and the reserve of grains that were in reserve as per a national crisis.... were gone. Of course this was done as to enhance international "friendship" with other nations, even if those other nations were self-admitted enemies of the United States.

Remember, there was enough grain in storage, paid for by the American tax- payer, to last the masses inside the United States for three full years, if need be. But now it all is but gone!

By 1996, the United States Department of Agriculture (U. S. D. A.) claimed that there was enough food in ware-house storage to last every man, woman and child in the cities a 3 day supply and a 5 day supply for every man, woman, and child in the countryside, should a great national emergency occur. In other words, if food trucks stopped running, the food supplies for the masses would be 3 days in the cities and 5 days in the countryside. . . .

Mr. Guebert also stated, that one more disaster as the likes of the hurricanes Katrina or Rita against the United States, or anything to compare to such in whatever way, would create such a food panic, it would make the New Orleans rioting look like the Mardi Gras.

In conclusion, I highly suggest that you pull your head out of the sand, check your food supplies, and if you do not have 6 months to a year's food in reserve, then you had best sell something or do whatever you have to do, to immediately prepare yourself and your loved ones for safety. If you can store two years at this time: **DO IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!**

Remember, the 15.7 pounds of food in reserve is becoming less by the day, and at the present rate of speed, the United States is heading to what is called.... meal to meal. One more major disaster will drive the United States to its knees.

The federal government, for itself, has millions of tons of preserved foods stashed away in underground storages, but this food is not for the masses, unless they surrender their firearms, and then they will get a food coupon from the \*feds\* to buy out of the federal government food warehouse wherever it is set up in your area.

..... has always subjected and controlled the masses using FOOD. Remember, FOOD CONTROL IS PEOPLE CONTROL. New Orleans was your cue: Now prepare! You have been warned. Your blood is off my hands!" James P. Wickstrom End of Quotes

## **The Worst Part of the Famine**

**Famine** will become the most severe during the last five months (*Revelation 9:5, 10*)! However, prior to this time God's faithful and enduring people will have left for the place of refuge—a place God will have prepared for them during this terrible coming time (*Revelation 3:10; 12:14, plus other Scriptures*).

Numerous reports from news sources have made known the drought has been gripping this country for some few years. Of late farmers are experiencing it even more seriously due to continued drought and flooding.



### **Hoarding**

Another real problem—*hoarding*! Considering the approach of hurricanes, and other potential disasters, people rush into the grocery stores and rake off water bottles and food items from the shelves into their shopping carts leaving them bare.

This was done during the Cuban crisis, October 1962. Of recent date, people began stockpiling paper goods from the grocery stores making it difficult to find paper towels, toilet paper, etc. Hoarding alone can put this nation into a food crisis,



***Inflation***—It has recently been reported that if another year of drought is experienced, it is expected the price of food to spiral out of sight—adding to the problem of hoarding. Farmers will find it difficult to plant and harvest their fields for lack of sufficient water.

***Oil***—The rapid increase of the cost of oil is another major factor that is also increasing the higher cost of food as well as gas and diesel fuel.

***Jet Fuel***—Associated Press, 7-26-21, reports jet fuel is in short supply due to supply chain issues and an urgent demand from firefighting aircraft continues to cause problems at airports around the west; due to a lack of drivers, no one available to drive the tanker trucks.

***Precipice—Though most do not realize it, society lives continually on the edge of critically hard and trying times that could go over the edge at any time!***

Though the reality of the true God is not believed by the leadership and society, nevertheless, because of His involvement, society will not go over the edge *until* its appointed *preset* time!

### ***The Storage of Food Products***

In the past, officials on the highest level have advised everyone to take precautions in the event that some form of *terrorism* or a possible *bird flu pandemic* occurs. They also recommended having on hand enough cans of food and water to last for thirty days along with a battery-powered radio. That is still good counsel.

The problems affecting the already mentioned food chain, supply, and storage, should make known that much more food and water should be on hand than just enough for thirty days even in normal times. Also, keep in mind—the grabbing and hoarding of food items is all the more reason to have a supply of food items on hand.

### ***Consider the Ant***

Even in normal times, Scripture counsels one should be like the ant and have extra food on hand (*Proverbs 6:6-8; 30:25*). Also, there is need to overcome the habit of going to the grocery store each day to fulfill the needs.

When this writer grew up in the 1930s our family (six children and three adults) only went to a nearby town to buy groceries once a month, and the supply lasted for that whole time. This example is used to make known what can be done when the need arises.

With this in mind, one should realize there is soon coming a time when full-page food ads and coupons will be no more! Food is going to become very costly and scarce at the same time! In fact, *it will become priceless!*

During the coming extreme crisis, no one will be able to find any food, let alone be able to purchase any for it will be unobtainable. The holders of gold and silver will find food cannot be bought anywhere; gold and silver will become worthless and thrown into the streets as Scripture makes known. Ezekiel 7:19.

**“They will throw their silver into the streets, and their gold will be like refuse (*worthless*); their silver and their gold will not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the LORD; they will NOT SATISFY their souls, NOR fill their stomachs ...” (Ezekiel 7:19).**

### ***A Possible Revolution***

Another area of possible food crisis could come about due to what some are predicting a conceivable civil revolt of the people because of it and excessive taxation.

There is also the real possibility of continuing racial riots.

The burning and looting of grocery stores as done in recent years during racial riots, and in other countries, can also be witnessed from what took place recently in South Africa.

It was reported a large warehouse used for the storage of food was looted and destroyed.

This could bring the people there into a state of famine.

Considering South Africa, could the same happen here in America by triggered racial riots on such a massive scale that would bring about a food crisis in this country?



Considering the recent mob violence having taken place with the Antifa and BLM taking over the cities of Portland, Oregon, and Seattle, Washington, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and other cities, rioting, burning, and looting, destroying places of business, while the Governors and Mayors did little, if anything, about them—is sufficient evidence it could easily happen here as well.

This could also be the beginning of real problems for America. Mayors of those

forementioned cities prevented the police from any real interference. This is unquestionable a leading sign of the near future (*cf. Habakkuk 1:1-4*).

Since there was no real interference with them, these terrorists will be emboldened to do the same in other cities as well given the right circumstances. Further, as already witnessed, they will undoubtedly continue to be tolerated by the liberal leadership.

People who take up arms to protect their homes are the guilty ones and put in jail. An actual case of this took place in St. Louis, August 19, 2020.

## **Judgment from God**

Because of the grave ongoing abominable sins in this country, has brought with those sins, A **CURSE** FROM GOD on America and Britain (*cf. Romans 1:18; 6:23*)!

Due to the gravity of those sins, the fullness of the **CURSE** is drawing closer with each passing day.

By way of analogy, consider the fall of ancient Babylon 539 B. C.—and realize this country has entered its closing years—tipping the scales to the fall of America with God's *handwriting on the wall*: – **'we have been weighed in the balances and found wanting'** (*Daniel 5:1-30*).

As the result, the real beginning of the end for America, Britain, and the other nations of Israel has begun, as God's prophet makes know:

**"... The end has come; it has DAWNED for you; behold it has come! ... The time has come; the day draws near."** (*Ezekiel 7:6, 12*).

Like Babylon of old, the House of Joseph, and other tribes of Israel, will soon fall into the hands of the Beast Power in Europe, *the Holy Roman Empire*, as did Babylon to the Medes and Persians.

*The end is almost here for America, and there are those who see it, as noted from their books and writings! And it is coming because of the abominable and worsening sins being practiced and lawfully protected by Congress and the majority of the Supreme Court (cf. Revelation 18:5).*

Because of these and other grave problems, now being witnessed, it becomes evident the prophesied **calamity** is knocking at the door!

*History records: No great civilization has ever fallen without, until it first falls within—imploding. And that is what is taking place in America and Britain.*

## ***Food Rationing***

The predictions from the quotes in this writing are also based on the prevailing disastrous weather conditions that have continued, and worsening from the record breakers of this past year (2020)!

With these accelerating problems in nature in evidence, and with end-time prophecy in mind, they undoubtedly will worsen with each year to follow until everything falls apart in this once great nation!

The real possibility of *the reinstating of food rationing* and other essential items will undoubtedly take place in the near future as it did during WWII.

Food shortages will be much greater this time than in the 1930s due to problems already mentioned in this writing. In addition, there has been a virtual population explosion in recent years. Cities are filled with people and ever-growing (*cf. Genesis 6:1*).

Though many people were supplied with food boxes during this past year, showing a charitable spirit, this will not continue when food shortages become critical as they will in short time to come. The handwriting is on the wall as the quotes made known in this writing.

People will use whatever means possible to obtain food at whatever the cost to his neighbor (*Deuteronomy 28:53-57*).

There seems to be no question, but that *martial law* will have to be put in place and enforced as well, no alternative.

### **The Rationing of Food Items**

There will be a replay from the 1930s when rationing was put into effect during World War II.

***INTERNET:* “Many commodities, such as meat, sugar, butter, coffee, gasoline, tires, shoes and clothing were rationed. Local schools set up stations where people could get their ration coupons (with teachers handling the paperwork.) Each person (regardless of age) received the same food and clothing coupons.**



**To purchase an item three things were needed: the storekeeper had to have the item in the first place, the purchaser had to have the cash, and had to have the coupons. With half of all canned goods going to the military or to allies, Americans turned to Victory Gardens,**



**planting 20 million of them to provide vegetables for their families.**<sup>[3]</sup>

[With a critical shortage of water there will be no gardens. Even now, people are being asked to limit their use of water.]

**Most automobile drivers received coupons for 3 gallons per week; those who could document special needs received extra gasoline coupons. (There was plenty of gasoline; the rationing was an efficient way to ration automobile tires, with rubber in very short supply.) Bread, milk, and beer were not rationed. People eating in restaurants had to pay with cash and ration coupons.”** End of Quotes

But rationing food this time would only be effective *until* the real severity of famine sets in. Then millions of people will really begin to be affected severely, especially so during the final five months (*cf. Revelation 9:5, 10*). They will then seek any possible means to obtain it!

***Though most people do not realize it, they live precipitously on the very edge of critically hard and trying times—on the very precipice!***

## **The True and Faithful People of GOD**

However, just prior to this time, God’s faithful people will leave for the place of refuge – a place, He will have prepared for them during this terrible coming time (*Revelation 3:10; 12:14, plus other Scriptures*).

### ***The Real Preparation is Needed Now!***

With an ongoing close relationship with our Creator God there should also be absolute faith to believe each one’s needs will be provided just as they have been in past ages with God’s true people.

Once the individual storage of food and water in the home has been exhausted, it can be known for sure Jesus Christ will not neglect His people. Numerous Scriptures make known He will not forsake His true, loyal, and faithful people. Psalm 33:18-19.

**“Behold, the eyes of the LORD is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His mercy, to deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in *famine*”** (Psalm 33:18-19; Psalm 34:8-10; 37:18-19; Matthew 28:20; Hebrews 13:5-6).

*As can be seen from those Scriptures, the real preparation that must be made above all else is to have a much closer and ongoing relationship with our God. If so, there can be absolute trust He will be there in whatever way, He chooses to take care of His people.*

This could be the raining of manna from heaven above, or having ravens bring it, or a flour bin and an oil container that never fails, or whatever other source God will make available.



However, before reaching the point of no food to be found anywhere, and having trust in God to provide it, He expects each one to be doing his or her part in whatever way this can be done by taking preventive care of themselves, while being involved in *warning mankind* (cf. *Ezekiel 33:1-7*).



Scripture makes this known—the imperative need for preparation for the very dark and foreboding future, first and foremost, is the vital need for prayer and occasional fasting. Proverbs 22:3.

**“A prudent man FORESEES EVIL and hides himself (via preparation spiritually), but the simple pass on and are punished.” (Proverbs 22:3).**

Sadly, there are the members of the fragmented Churches of God who are like the proverbial ostrich, hiding their heads in the sand thinking there is no cause for concern!



A real Bible student should know through the understanding of prophecy, what is before this nation, therefore taking needed precautions!

At the same time, one must be discerning enough to *FORESEE THE EVIL*, before it comes to pass. And with it the expectant need of taking the necessary precautions of having enough food on hand to last for some period of time, along with other essentials, just as the government in the past had advised the people to do.

### ***A Real Pressing Need***

If God’s people really grasped how close this is to becoming reality, undoubtedly everyone would be preparing themselves for the greater need of drawing closer to God. For it is only through our Father and His beloved Son Jesus Christ, each one will have his or her needs provided while witnessing the deaths of multiple millions of people (*Psalms 91:4-11*)!

It is heart-breaking to realize how this is going to impact all society, including the elect’s families, but there must be faith that Jesus Christ will be merciful to them because of being faithful to Him.

In the interim, the awesome great GOD in heaven above, has given this little flock the responsibility of making known to this country and Britain the prophesied major events soon to come that will bring about their demise as nations (*Habakkuk 2:1-3; Ezekiel 33:1-7*).

### ***A Warning Trumpet Cry!***

***“Blow the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; for the day of the LORD is coming, for it is at hand!” Joel 2:1.***



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