

A Biblical View OF THE **END TIMES**

THE RISE OF THE ANTICHRIST, PART 6

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NOTE: I've received a LOT of questions and feedback this past week. I can see our last lesson was like drinking from a firehose.

- It seems to me that some of you were overwhelmed at the volume of information.
- But....**more** significantly, it seems to me that you were reeling from the **implications** of that information.

After thinking a bit, I feel it's best if I repeat some points from last week's lesson – but I want to do that in a different way: adding more supporting context, clarifying some issues, etc. Repetition is always good - - it's part of the learning process. I'll toss in some new stuff here as well.

NOTE: I want to begin by emphasizing a few points about this false genocidal one-world religious system that is a big focus of **Rev. Ch. 17**.

- It begins - and it quickly expands - **after** the Rapture. It is represented by this prostitute that rides the scarlet beast in that chapter.
- Its ambition will be to deceive, to consolidate all the world's religions under one false banner, to support globalism (and all the deceptions of that), and to suppress and persecute all elements of Biblical truth.
- There is a temporary co-dependent relationship between this false one-world religious system and the antichrist.
 - ✓ They will both need each other for a period following the Rapture. That co-dependent arrangement will exist up through the midpoint of the Tribulation.
 - ✓ It says, in **Rev. 17:16** - that secretly, the antichrist and his inner circle will '*hate*' this false one-world religion.
 - ✓ It's why they will violently destroy it at the halfway point of the Tribulation. That's when the antichrist will demand self-worship.
 - ✓ It's why – at the **same** point – the antichrist will unilaterally discontinue the terms of the covenant he had confirmed with Israel 3 ½ years earlier. It's why he will enter the Jewish temple at that time and desecrate it.
 - ✓ The antichrist will want no competitive religious passions. Really – it's all about Satan behind the scenes.
 - ✓ He's operating to gradually position everyone to worship him directly. It's what Satan has coveted since earliest times.

NOTE: Here are some more specific things we need to consider. It says in **Rev. 17: 6** that she (this false one-world religious system) is “*drunk with the blood of the saints, the blood of those who bore testimony to Jesus.*”

- ✓ One point is **very** clear from this passage: this future false one-world religion will kill true believers in Jesus Christ.
- ✓ We need to recall **Rev. 6:7-8** where Death and Hades in the 4th seal judgment, give power to – or give authorization to – one quarter of the world’s population to **kill**.
- ✓ Now, see the connection here. **THEN** – after the events of the 4th seal judgment – we see the Christian martyrs in heaven, in the 5th seal judgment.
- ✓ The souls of these Christian martyrs will ask God in **Rev. 6:9-11**, “*When will you begin to judge the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood?*”
 - They are ‘souls in heaven’ because they were martyred for their faith **AFTER** the Rapture. They will get their glorified bodies at the end of the Tribulation; we will learn about this.
 - These souls are asking God ‘*when?*’ because they were martyred **FOR** their faith in Jesus Christ, **BY** Death and Hades (who represent the genocide of this global false religion) – and this happens **BETWEEN** the Rapture and the start of the Tribulation.
- ✓ And still **again** – we are reminded in **another** related prophecy from **Isaiah 28:15** that Israel will want to be **INSULATED** from this “*overflowing scourge*” of Death and Sheol (which is the same “*Death and Hades*” in **Rev. Ch. 6**).
 - Israel will want to be an exception. She will want the **INSTITUTION** of her temple and sacrificial system instead.
 - These goals will be the foundation of the terms of the covenant that the antichrist will confirm with Israel. **Dan. 9:27** implies this plainly.
- ✓ What I want you to see is all these elements – all these passages – provide various commentary on the same larger issue, and that is this:
 - In the immediate wake of the Rapture, a false one-world religious system will emerge and rapidly grow. A chief goal of this ‘religion’ will be to explain away the Rapture and to suppress all Biblical truth.
 - This false religion (as I said a bit ago) will be “ecumenical” – that means it will seek to accommodate all **FALSE** religions of the world under one umbrella. For that reason, it will hate the **TRUE** Gospel of Jesus Christ.
 - And this false one-world religious system will be genocidal. It will not tolerate any dissensions or other belief structures. Again, that will put true saints of God in its crosshairs most of all.
- Another thing is also clear: there is a physical location – a headquarters – associated with this final false one-world religious system, and it is described in **Rev. 17:9** – and **DURING** John’s time – as being a place of “*seven hills.*”
 - ✓ Now, there is a very long list of cities which claim in one way or another to be built on seven hills.

- ✓ But keep in mind that God's Word tells us at this juncture to use "*wisdom*" (**Cf. Rev. 17:9a**).
- ✓ It makes no sense to be speculating about Rio De Janiero, New York, Kampala (Uganda), Bristol, England – or Boulder, CO.
- ✓ God's Word connects the dots in a very systematic way. "*Wisdom*" here involves accepting the things which God's Word declares.
- ✓ And in the Bible, something is always said in one place that is supported by something else that is said in another place.
- ✓ There is only one location, one city, one view which conforms to **all the related Biblical texts** about these same issues. That is the city of Rome.

AND SO, WE HAD A HISTORY LESSON LAST WEEK... AND I THINK WE NEED TO REVISIT THAT. We may need to unwind some things we've come to believe so we can understand the **right** information the **right** way.

A. Let's go all the way back to **Dan. Ch. 2**.

1. King Nebuchadnezzar had a dream, and he knew it was a very important one.
 - In fact, he was convinced of this, and so he put some tough terms to its interpretation.
 - He required that his counselors tell him what the dream was, AND its interpretation. He didn't tell them anything – he was testing their legitimacy.
 - Only Daniel came through because God revealed the King's dream to him, and so Daniel was able to perform to those terms. He explained what King Nebuchadnezzar had dreamt and what it meant.
 - The dream that King Nebuchadnezzar had was about FOUR great Gentile empires that would emerge in world history from **that point in time** till the end of human history.
 - Now, there are (obviously) more than four great Gentile empires in human history – more than these four. But these four are pertinent **for their direct relationship to the Jews and to the nation of Israel**.
 - Those four great Gentile kingdoms are: Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece - - and Rome. The first three are explained clearly in **Dan. Ch. 2** and in other parts of **Daniel**.
 - One of those other parts in **Daniel** is **chapter 7** where Daniel has his vision of "the four beasts and the Ancient of Days."
 - Rome is strongly implied – more than any other Gentile empire - by studying the full counsel of God's Word and connecting the relevant information from many other points from Scripture, with **Rev. Ch. 17** being one such point.
 - But what is clear about the final Gentile empire is this:
 - ✓ It has two legs or two distinct parts or divisions
 - ✓ It never goes away from the point of its inception, but it continues in one form or another all the way to the end of human history
 - ✓ Its final termination (according to **Dan. 7:11-12**) is different than the three Empires before it.

- ✓ It is an empire that will be blended – in some fashion – with the seed of fallen angels in its final form
- ✓ It has an association with ‘a city on seven hills’ in John’s time...
- ✓ (and so on - - there are other strong clues like these...)

So it’s here that I want to focus on that phase of the Roman Empire which followed the political-military-governing infrastructure which existed in Jesus’ time. Here’s the review, with some additional elements:

A. The Roman Empire had two legs as we’ve learned:

1. The western leg which was headquartered in Rome was largely based in the European arena.
 - This was the dominant element of the Roman Empire in Jesus’ time.
 - It’s important for us to recognize that much of the NT references Rome and the politics of Rome, the early Christian church in Rome, and so on.
 - Most people today, when they think of the Roman Empire, they think of this western leg.
 - It’s the one that all the movies are made about (like Ben Hur, Gladiator, etc.), so the western leg is the one we are most familiar with.
 - The western leg of the Roman Empire fell in Sept. 476 AD when the last emperor was deposed. It was really the end of a long decline.
2. But there was also an eastern leg as I shared last time. In many ways, the eastern leg of the Roman Empire was quite different and separate from the western leg.
 - The eastern leg of the Roman Empire was headquartered in Constantinople – we know that city today as Istanbul, Turkey.
 - It outlasted the western leg of the empire by a long shot, more than 900 years.
 - The eastern leg of the Roman Empire endured politically up through the early 1400’s.
 - This leg – and its territory - gave way to the Ottoman Empire which succeeded it. Today, the leader of modern-day Turkey, Erdogan, wishes to resurrect the original Ottoman Empire.
 - But already – we see two distinct legs of one empire. This is also pictured in the two iron legs of Nebuchadnezzar’s statue in **Dan. Ch. 2**.

B. The Holy Roman Empire began well before the formal demise of the eastern political leg.

1. The Holy Roman Empire started out as a loosely organized collection of smaller kingdoms after the main emperor was deposed in 476 AD.
 - These smaller kingdoms held power in various places in western and central Europe - - most notably from that point and into the early 1800’s.
 - These collective territories were ruled by leaders – usually Germanic kings – who ruled from their various homelands.

- These various leaders oversaw local regions which were, in turn, controlled by a variety of lesser kings, dukes, and other officials.
- The Holy Roman Empire, by all counts, appears to have been some sort of attempt to resurrect the Western empire of Rome, but it now had a religious agenda too.

C. (So, stepping back a few paces for another look): It was in the 4th Century that Christianity was embraced by the Roman Emperor, was pronounced the official religion, and was initially headquartered in Constantinople.

1. This was an uneasy situation at best.

- Religion and government were blended in an unhealthy way. The church and the state essentially became one.
- What emerged was a powerful, a corrupt, and a volatile mix of doctrine and politics.

2. The foundation for the Holy Roman Empire gained much of its definition in 800 AD when Charlemagne became the first emperor of Rome in a long time....

- This event set a template for many centuries, as the various Popes which followed each claimed the right to choose and install the most powerful rulers on the European Continent.
- In the Holy Roman Empire, politics and church matters wrestled from time to time, but the church usually won.
- The Popes wielded the most influence by far, and the papacy's power probably reached its ultimate expression during this period.

3. Eventually, all that power was consolidated in a centralized Roman Catholic Church which established its Capital in Rome.

- This Roman Catholic Church became the major social and religious institution that existed throughout the Middle Ages.
- This part of history was also known as The Dark Ages, and I would suggest to you that this designation had much to do with a suppression of spiritual truth and an active promotion of various heresies.

NOTE: If any of you have watched “Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves” (Kevin Costner), or “The Three Musketeers” with Chris O’Donnell, you will see this dark and deceptive dynamic emphasized as a key part of the movie storyline.

- It was during the Middle Ages that a variety of new church traditions and beliefs became official within the Roman Church. (i.e. Replacement Theology, Amillennialism, etc.)
- It was also during this time that the church-state alliance engaged in many military conflicts, perhaps most famously - the Crusades.
- This church-state alliance consolidated political clout, and it amassed vast resources of land, goods, and other material assets.

- In 1054 AD, the Eastern Orthodox Church separated from the Western (or Roman) Church - - in large part due to Rome's concentration of leadership under the Pope.

D. It was in the late phases of the Holy Roman Empire that true Christianity fought back.

1. More and more Christians had become uneasy with the dominance, the teachings, the control, the persecutions and inquisitions, and the corruption of the Roman Catholic Church.
2. Perhaps of all these elements, it was the inquisitions that we note with the greatest discomfort:
 - The Roman Catholic Church inquisitions were so-called "judicial" tribunals that were set up and carried out to locate and sentence people that the Roman Catholic Church said were guilty of heresy.
 - The purpose of the inquisitions was to keep religious control and to preserve doctrinal "unity" throughout the Holy Roman Empire. It was really "conformity" they were seeking.
 - These inquisitions were done through the forced conversion or persecution of perceived heretics. Many thousands of people were tortured and killed during this time. Beheadings and burning at the stake by the Roman Catholic Church were not uncommon.
 - Historians generally divide the inquisitions into four different time frames and places. These are the Medieval or Episcopal Inquisition, the Spanish Inquisition, the Portuguese Inquisition, and the Roman Inquisition.
 - In each of them, extreme persecution and killing took place. While Protestant and faithful Christians were the primary target, other religious groups also suffered > particularly the Jews.
 - The highest leadership of the Roman Catholic Church has ALWAYS – at its core – been antisemitic and anti-biblical. You can even see these attitudes in the current Popes today.
3. And all of this is why in the 1500s, Martin Luther launched the great Protestant Reformation.
 - Martin Luther is famously known for his "95 Theses." This was a document listing the oppressive and unbiblical practices and beliefs of the Roman Catholic Church.
 - Luther nailed his 95 Theses on the door of the church at Wittenberg on October 31, 1517, and they were quickly translated and distributed across Germany in a matter of weeks.
 - It's interesting that Oct. 31, 1517, which became known as Reformation Day, is more well-known in our time as Halloween.
 - There are some interesting reasons the two land on the same day - - I encourage you to do some personal reading and research to see the "how's and why's."

- In any event - Martin Luther was not the only disrupter around this time; John Calvin also became a Reformation leader based in Switzerland.
 - While Luther and Calvin returned the church to many solid Biblical truths – it is unfortunate that their writings show they continued in the antisemitic postures of the Catholic traditions.
 - They also did much which caused the church to ignore and dilute Bible prophecy, and that's largely because of the Israel-centric nature of Bible prophecy. As Dr. John MacArthur said, "If you get Israel right, you get your eschatology right."
 - Various other denominations, like the staunch Anabaptist movement, helped to reform religion in the Western world and return entire societies to a more Biblically based body of truth.
 - A great struggle emerged between the Roman Catholic Church and the Protestants during this time, and that's essentially because of the basic theological positions of the Protestant reformation.
4. The Protestant Reformation focused on the primacy of Biblical teaching over the authority of the Pope and sacred traditions.
- For example, the Protestants taught the teaching of salvation by "grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone."
 - This sound Biblical doctrine energized a whole new era of evangelistic outreach in the European continent.
 - That fervor ultimately influenced those who would later settle in North America.
 - The basic premise of the Protestants was *Sola scriptura*, or "Scripture alone." This taught that the Bible was the sole authority on all matters of faith - - and of course, this flew in the face of the Papal authority.
 - It was this teaching of *Sola scriptura* that led to the development of various denominations for many Protestant groups that were founded during this time.
 - While the Holy Roman Empire continued to hold power after the Reformation, it became better known as the Roman Catholic Church, and over time, its heretical influence waned and the authority of the Pope was curtailed.
 - But Europe had begun to emerge from the Middle Ages, and the rest of the world was experiencing some evangelistic passion.

NOTE: Today, it's simply called the Catholic Church, and it is still headquartered in Rome today in an area known as The Vatican. In fact, The Vatican is legally its own country, comprising a territory of just over 100 acres.

- While its physical headquarters is tiny, the global influence of The Catholic Church is massive.
- The Catholic Church has a presence in pretty much every country today, and its resources and followers are significant.

- I want to point out once more that Death and Hades are “given power over a fourth of the earth” (**Cf. Rev. 6:8**). This is the situation of the 4th Seal Judgment.
- This is likely another indication of this global influence of the Roman Catholic Church seen from a different perspective.
- Whatever form this future one-world religion takes, this verse makes it clear it has a large base of support.

So – in quick summary...

1. The Roman Empire is first introduced in the Bible in **Dan. Ch. 2**.
2. It eventually became known as The Holy Roman Empire - - then the Holy Roman Catholic Empire, then the Roman Catholic Church - - and it is now simply known as the Catholic Church.
 - This gradual evolution is all very clear in the ubiquitous historical records, and they all affirm these stages.
 - THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT PROCESS OF CONTINUITY THAT WE MUST SEE. It means the Roman Empire – at least from God’s perspective - never really went away.
 - It just changed form and representation. It morphed. It adapted. It shape-shifted, if you will.
3. Again - the angel in **Rev. Ch. 17** which explained to John the meaning of the great prostitute, tells John that “a mind with wisdom” is needed.
 - That suggests it is possible to draw the reasonable conclusions. Such a mind must be sound and impartial. That is necessary to connect all the dots (my paraphrase).
 - The angel further explains that there is an association between this global false religion and a prominent city on seven hills.
 - It’s MOST likely this city would have been known by this description in John’s time.
 - This city would have had widespread influence THEN, and it would have worldwide influence over many global leaders at this future prophetic time - - a time that is still future to you and I today.
4. And that’s why I’ve stated that the Roman Empire (and - - ultimately the Roman Catholic Church) emerges as the chief suspect if we take God’s Word at face value.
 - I am not alone in seeing the matter this way. I’ve noted that recently, multiple prophecy teachers and scholars are saying the same thing. I believe it is the only reasonable sum of all the parts.
 - It is the ONLY common ground that unites all the Biblical passages about this false and final one world religious system.
 - Remember, the second principle about proper Biblical interpretation is all passages on one subject must agree. They must all be aligned the same way.

- It is also the most reasonable assumption that emerges from the historical records, as well as from an objective assessment of the prior inquisitions and activities of the Roman Catholic Church.

NOTE: I want to say three things at this juncture:

First - I know some of you have already reached this conclusion on your own. You've considered this issue objectively, and you've reached these conclusions before we all began to probe this matter in this class.

Second – there are others of you (and that may be most of you) that find this idea new. This is a perspective you've not previously considered. You are curious now, but you are not convinced.

And number **three** - there are likely those of you that are uncomfortable with this suggestion that some future iteration of the Roman Catholic Church will become this final global false religion.

- I am most sensitive to those of you who are in this third group.
- I am further sensitive to the fact that we ALL know people who would claim to be part of the Roman Catholic Church - - that includes friends and family.
- Considering the much larger crowd that will ultimately listen to these lessons online, I am especially aware of the responsibility I have here to support the suggestions I am making.

So today, I want to begin a process that may take up a couple of lessons. It amounts to an overview that looks at the past, present, and future issues within the Roman Catholic Church.

- **IMPORTANT:** It is not my intent to pick on our Catholic friends or to challenge the veracity of anyone's salvation who may claim to be part of this denomination.
- God alone knows the heart of man. He will judge the integrity of everyone's faith.
- However, I feel it is my responsibility as I stand up here to explain what I feel the Word of God is saying, and to evaluate those things against the backdrop of other things we should also know and understand.
- This will all tie back into **Dan. 9:27** as we will see why the antichrist will put a stop - not only to Jewish sacrifice and offering - but also to the activities of this global false religion.

I want to start wrapping up by looking at the activities and positions of the Roman Catholic Church today, and I want to focus on three of them in particular:

A. The effort to unify all religions

1. One of the most popular heresies today is the notion that God has revealed Himself in different ways to different cultures. Here are the arguments of this heretical position:
 - All religions therefore worship the same God, whether His name is Jesus Christ, Buddha, Allah, or Krishna - - or whatever.
 - We should therefore all work on tolerating each other and on getting along.
 - We should therefore avoid teaching Biblical truth as being “the only truth” since other belief systems are due the same respect.
 - (There are other arguments like these – but already, you get the idea). It’s not about lifting other religions up; it’s about tearing down the Word of God and telling a lie about Jesus Christ.

2. Many of you may already know that this effort to unify all religions is a big objective with the leadership of the Catholic Church.
 - The current pope, Pope Leo XIV, is deeply committed to ecumenism. He frequently hosts delegations from the World Council of Churches.
 - BTW, this ecumenism is also a goal of many liberal Protestant denominations too.
 - Various leaders within the Anglican, United Methodist, Presbyterian, and Episcopalian denominations are taking this position with greater frequency and intensity.
 - It is also an agenda item within some of the leadership of various popular Christian movements like The Gospel Coalition.
 - But no single denomination, and no single element of leadership has been more vocal about blending faiths than the Catholic Church and its highest leadership.
 - ✓ Pope Francis, in speaking of Muslims, stated, *“We must never forget that they 'profess to hold the faith of Abraham, and together with us they adore the one, merciful God, who will judge humanity on the last day.”*
 - ✓ In one particular Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis suggested everyone is in the same boat. He stated, *“Non-Christians, by God’s gracious initiative, when they are faithful to their own consciences, can live 'justified by the grace of God, and thus be associated to the mystery of Jesus Christ.”*
 - ✓ Pope Francis – as many of us already know - has also held numerous meetings with key leaders of other faiths. He has claimed to see *“a tangible sign of the will to grow in mutual esteem and cooperation for the common good of humanity.”*
 - I could go on and on. There are many examples which prove that the final false global religion in a post-Rapture world, is most likely to be an amalgamation of various belief systems – including apostate Protestants – most likely under the leadership and authority of the Roman Catholic Church.

B. The effort to unify all religions is a key goal of the Catholic Church. The search for extra-terrestrial life is another.

1. You may have heard of the organization SETI (Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence). It's been around a while.

- A more recent offshoot of it is METI, (Messaging Extraterrestrial Intelligence). This subsidiary takes the next step, that of reaching out and trying to make contact with aliens.
- While the METI organization is comprised of experts in many fields of study (i.e. astronomy, physics, linguistics, etc.), it more recently added Jose Gabriel Funes, an Argentinian priest who is also a chair in science, religion and education at the Catholic University of Cordoba, Argentina.
- METI's official position was it needed to add an expert in theology, and their quote was *"....to provide a new perspective for our scientists."*

2. Then there is the matter of the Vatican Observatory...

- The history of the Vatican Observatory goes back 2 ½ centuries. It's been that long that The Vatican has been studying the skies with these specific ideas in view.
- More recently, in the last few decades, the Vatican Observatory established a research group at the Steward Observatory of the University of Arizona in Tucson, and they placed one of the largest optical telescopes in the world on Mount Graham in SE Arizona.
- There IS a certain focus with this Arizona-based project to probe for extra-terrestrial life, and that has fueled speculation about the telescope itself – or some of its associated technologies – being called LUCIFER.
- I'm not saying it is called LUCIFER and I'm not saying it's not. There seems to be good arguments on both sides of that issue, but it IS clear The Vatican has devoted considerable resources and technologies to searching the skies for "alien" life.
- These things need to be considered alongside Pope Francis' comment in May 2014 where he said he would baptize aliens if they came to The Vatican. He publicly asked at the time, "Who are we to close doors if the unimaginable appears?"
- There is mounting evidence that the Catholic leadership fully BELIEVES "aliens" will return to interact physically with mankind once more. Of course, these are fallen angels, and this is precisely what **Dan. 2:43** says will happen.

NOTE: Recall, I have already stated my personal position that fallen angels will return to earth in visible form after the Rapture to interact with humanity as they did in "the days of Noah," in accompaniment with false signs, miracles, and wonders as **2 Thess. 2:9** states, and to "mingle themselves with the seed of men" as **Dan. 2:43** prophesies.

- It's very likely that the extra-terrestrial ideas the Catholic Church is presently advancing will become an "I-told-you-so" position in the future.

C. Lastly, there is the strong push in the Catholic Church for the climate change agenda

1. It's no secret that Pope Francis did everything he could to advance the deceptive climate change agenda. Pope Leo is picking up where he left off...
 - Pope Francis' comments on this matter made news all the time. He is one of this movement's most outspoken supporters:
 - (In Aug. 2017): He said, *"Listen to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor, who suffer most because of the unbalanced ecology"*.
 - (At a Vatican summit on the environment in 2015): He said, *"Human-induced climate change is a scientific reality, and its decisive mitigation is a moral and religious imperative for humanity. In this core moral space, the world's religions play a very vital role."*
 - (After the US withdrew from the Paris climate accord under President Trump): He said, *"We must never forget that the natural environment is a collective good, the patrimony of all humanity and the responsibility of everyone."*
2. Now, it's not my intent to ridicule him – or anyone else – that may choose to believe the earth's warming is the fault of humanity and we're all going to die within 10 years (**I think we're down to 4 or 5 years now from those prior projections**).
 - I do think a few reality checks are in order: the first being that global warming – or "climate change" (that's easier) – is now a catch-all notion:
 - Depending on who's making the case, climate change is why oceans are rising, ice is melting, and crops are failing.
 - It's also why roosters crow earlier, why looters rob stores, why trans-folks are violent, why ISIS attracts recruits, and why some women become prostitutes.
 - Global warming has become the convenient excuse for every bizarre event and socioeconomic malady in the world today.
 - BUT - - it was not that long ago that people were alarmed at the new ice age that was coming.
 - In 1971, The Washington Post, stated, *"The world could be as little as 50 or 60 years away from a disastrous new ice age."* (look out 2020!)
 - TIME Magazine echoed this view with an article in 1974 titled, *"Another Ice Age?"*
 - (and in 1979, just 40 years ago...) The Daily Chronicle warned everyone about the pending ice age in an article, *"Get Ready to Freeze."*

3. The pendulum has swung wildly from worrying about cold to worrying about heat. But here are some news releases that dare to present the truth:

“Six years ago, the BBC reported that the Arctic, due to global warming, would be ice-free by this summer. That, clearly, has not happened. What has happened, instead, is that the Arctic ice cap has grown at a tremendous rate, by almost a million square miles. In other words, it has grown by a whopping 60%....” (Liberty Voice, Sept. 2013)

“Britain’s Met Office, an international cheerleading headquarters for global warming hysteria, conceded last December that there would be no further warming at least through 2017, which would make 20 years with no global warming. That reflects grudging recognition of the newly developing trends.” (Forbes, 2013)

“As the Obama administration creates policy based on the premise that the planet is warming, more and more scientists are concluding the real danger is global cooling.” (World Net Daily, Aug. 2015)”

4. **Where am I going with all this?** Here’s how this climate change fiasco fits with Scripture, and fits in with the one-world religious system which is coming:
- The bottom line is global warming is a devised strategy to accomplish four things:
 - a. To exert political coercion,
 - b. To employ flawed science,
 - c. To elevate deceptive data, and
 - d. To encourage the world to believe in an ecological farce.
 - Why?
 - **The simple answer is “globalism.”** The world wants a one-world government that conforms to the ideals of socialism, and ‘climate change’ is globalism’s best friend.
 - The political elite want nations to relinquish their sovereign rights and yield to a globalist regime.
 - Any idea of MAGA goes against this goal. Any notion of BREXIT disrupts this objective of dissolving independence and nationalism.
 - **In other words, this fallen world is doing everything it can to bring about the antichrist.**
 - Global warming is part of the agenda to level the playing field, to destroy powerful nations and their economies, and to make everyone goose-step the same robotic way.

- And as we've seen, these climate change ideals are being promoted at the highest position of the Catholic Church (and I will add – in the highest ranks of liberal Protestant denominations too).

Now, we've looked at just three of the activities and positions of the Roman Catholic Church today:

1. The effort to unify all religions,
2. The search for extra-terrestrial life, and...
3. The push for the global warming agenda.

I've only touched on the basics of each of these points. Much more could be said. But, these three provide further support to the idea that some future form of the Catholic Church will emerge to lead all pagan belief systems in one deceptive end-times religious system.

NOTE: Next week I'll make a few more comments about the future implications of this climate change agenda as it pertains to the final false one-world religious system. We will also look into a very interesting issue with one of the letters to the seven churches.



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