

# THE UPWARD CALL

*Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet;  
but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead,  
**I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God  
IN CHRIST JESUS.***  
(Philippians 3:13-14 NASB)

#06-1205

## **Great Cataclysmic Upheaval**

January 30, 2012

Over the last ten years or so I have heard many words from the Lord about impending disasters, tumults, crises, shakings, etc. To date, many of these things have come about or been confirmed or have appeared in embryonic form as preliminary warnings from the Lord who is merciful. There are some that have not happened yet, but this does not mean they will not occur. It just means that we must **transcend time**; a word the Lord clearly gave to me in 2008 and confirmed in 2009. Much, but not all, of what the Lord has revealed to me I have reported on in many of my writings. More recently, I added a prophetic section to my web site to report on some of the major ones.

Please understand that my motive for sharing these things is not self-centered. Recently, the Lord told me that I must report what He speaks to me; I must warn His people. Frankly, up to this point, I have felt restrained to do so. Who will listen? Aren't I sharing things people within and without the Church already know or are being told by countless other voices? These are the types of questions that have followed me over the years. However, at this juncture in history, I no longer have a choice in the matter. It matters not that others are speaking or what they are speaking.

In this regard, I was reviewing my journals going back over ten years and discovered a word from the Lord that I had long forgotten.

At 4:25 am, on **July 9, 1999**, I heard:

**"Great cataclysmic upheaval is coming, the likes of which man has never seen or will see again. I will shake the heavens and the earth and this will shake the institutions of the world. In that day, no man will stand; no man will deny that it is the Lord who does such things. All will see that it is the Lord but not all will turn to the Lord God Almighty. Prepare your heart for the days that are coming."**

According to God's Word, we know that He is going to shake the heavens and the earth (Haggai 2:6, 21-22; Hebrews 12:26-27), so this word is not unusual or unique. God said He would do it, and it will be done until **the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ** has overtaken the kingdom of this world, for **we receive a kingdom which cannot be shaken** (Hebrews 12:28; Revelation 11:15).

The challenge that I see for most people is that they cannot fathom such a thing happening in their own day or in their own land, especially in the United States that thinks it is nearly invincible. Most people want to ignore the possibility and hope for the best. Others would rather live in denial, so they eat, drink, and be merry for tomorrow they might die. And yet, others sort of get it, but they live in fear and are making all sorts of survival preparations for the worst possible scenarios.

As Christians, how are we to respond to such a word? Well, the Lord has given us the answer: **Prepare your heart for the days that are coming**. In other words, He is after a heart preparation, not a material preparation. This is not to say He will not lead us to make material preparations, but the most important preparation is of the heart. He is after hearts that are sold out to Him and are living in His presence, readied to literally meet Him, not hearts that are fighting against His judgments that are coming and, in fact, have come in some measure. Time is running out to repent and turn to the Lord.

Heart preparation requires abiding in Him, standing in His council in intimacy, knowing Him as our trust, seeking Him, hearing Him, and, most of all, loving Him, among other things.

We need to be like the five wise virgins and make preparations to meet the Bridegroom. Can you hear the midnight cry off in the distance but growing louder: "**Behold, the Bridegroom! Come out to meet Him**" (Matthew 25:6)? I can!

Considering the many things that have happened since the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, there is no doubt that the heat of judgment has been turned up, so to speak. Clearly, regional events on this order have occurred, and there have been man-made crises that have shaken the institutions of the world, such as the financial crisis of 2008 that was foreshadowed by the collapse of the World Trade Center seven years earlier and is still with us. However, we have yet to see a great cataclysmic event or series of events that shakes heaven and earth and the institutions of the entire world simultaneously through which no man can stand. In a great sense, the coming manifestation of the Kingdom of God on earth, in its own right, will be an upheaval the likes of which no man has ever seen.

The one event that, perhaps, is the closest to this word from the Lord is the Japanese 8.9 earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear meltdown that occurred on March 11, 2011. I have shared on this before, especially in light of a dream I received about a FedEx box truck flying in the air and crashing to the ground. See Prophetic P#27. I believe much is being withheld from the world public about the devastation of this one event. The point is that this cataclysmic event is a forerunner of the fulfillment of the 1999 word.

Consider some of the major events that have occurred in our new millennium. You may recall others, but these are some of the ones I have recorded in my journal. Mind you, I have left out many other events, such as the devastating tornadoes that have hit and continue to hit the US each year or the turmoil in the Middle East that has toppled nations and dictators. What follows are only some shakings. During this period, there have been far too many earthquakes to report on in this issue.

September 11, 2001	World Trade Center attacked and crumbled to the ground; nearly 3,000 killed in all locations attacked
December 26, 2004	Indonesia 9.1 quake and tsunami; killed upwards of 280,000; 1.69 million people displaced
August 29, 2005	Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans; flooded major portions of the city; killed over 1,800 and cost \$81 billion
September 18, 2008 forward to 2012	Near meltdown of entire global financial system; vast amounts of paper wealth evaporated
January 12, 2010	Haiti 7.0 quake wiped out the nation; killed over 300,000; left one million homeless; destroyed 280,000 structures
February 5-10, 2010	Worst snowstorms in centuries hit Washington DC, the Mid-Atlantic, and the Northeast. Dubbed "snowmageddon." One storm was likened to a snow hurricane. Chicago had a major snowstorm and quake on the same day
February 26, 2010	Chile 8.8 quake, followed by a 6.0 quake in Argentina. Structures crumbled
September 4, 2010; February 22, 2011	Christchurch, New Zealand 7.1 and 6.3 quakes. Structures crumbled
March 11, 2011	Japan 8.9 quake and tsunami; led to nuclear reactor meltdowns; global radiation release; killed over 18,000
May 6, 2011	Worst flooding of the Mississippi River in history
July 5, 2011	Biblical proportion dust storms in Arizona
August 23, 2011	Rare 5.9 quake hit the US from New York to South Carolina, especially Washington DC where the National Cathedral and the Washington Monument were damaged

Let us not fight against His judgments; let us turn to the Lord with a whole heart that loves the very love of our life, the Lord Jesus! He alone is our way through to the end and into His glory of the next age.