

CHAPTER FOURTEEN Cleansing The Earth

God will cleanse the earth.
God will renovate this planet.
As Michael stated it:

EBL97: And then the voice in my head said in English . . . We're not here to harm you. We're friends of the earth. One of the reasons we are here is to protect you from yourselves. The atomic bombs are more dangerous than you know. And part of what we do is about them."

I said, "Do you mean to stop wars?"

The voice said "Wars, but more. We have to clean up. There are other reasons, though, you cannot know why we are here . . . that don't concern you right now . . ."

God will remove all the ungodliness. He will clean up this world.
As stated in the ancient *Book of Enoch*:

EN1:9 - And behold! He comes with ten thousand of His holy ones
To execute judgment upon all,
And to destroy all the ungodly.

We now have some idea of the ten thousand holy ones by which he comes. Only we did not believe they were holy. We cast them in the same light as ourselves. How sad.

As stated in the *Urantia Papers*:

UP2081 - Modern secularism has been fostered by two world-wide influences. The father of secularism was the narrow-minded and godless attitude of nineteenth- and twentieth-century so-called science — atheistic science. The mother of modern secularism was the totalitarian medieval Christian church. Secularism had its inception as a rising protest against the almost complete domination of Western civilization by the institutionalized Christian church.

It required a great power, a mighty influence, to free the thinking and living of the Western peoples from the withering grasp of a totalitarian ecclesiastical domination. Secularism did break the bonds of church control, and now in turn it threatens to establish a new and godless type of mastery over the hearts and minds of modern man.

The tyrannical and dictatorial political state is the direct offspring of scientific materialism and philosophic secularism. Secularism no sooner frees man from the domination of the institutionalized church than it sells him into slavish bondage to the totalitarian state. Secularism frees man from ecclesiastical slavery only to betray him into the tyranny of political and economic slavery.

Materialism denies God, secularism simply ignores him; at least that was the earlier attitude. More recently, secularism has assumed a more militant attitude, assuming to take the place of the religion whose totalitarian bondage it onetime resisted. Twentieth-century secularism tends to affirm that man does not need God. But beware! this godless philosophy of human society will lead only to unrest, animosity, unhappiness, war, and world-wide disaster.

Twentieth century unrest, animosity, unhappiness and incessant warfare attest to the fruits of godless philosophies. As stated by Jesus two thousand years ago:

Matt 24:12 — And because wickedness is multiplied, most men's love will grow cold.

Then, for secular philosophical domination of political, social, and economic policies, we devised weapons to ensure our survival in the face of military power by nations we perceived as enemies. The result was the assurance of world-wide disaster.

But the consequences of godlessness are far reaching.

As stated by Isaiah 2600 years ago:

Isa 5:8 — Woe to those who join house to house, and who add field to field, until there is no more room, and you are made to dwell alone in the midst of the land.

Never, in the history of the world, have men enjoyed the material comforts of high technology as we do today, yet never have we felt so alone with neighbors living on every side. We have crowded ourselves together until we have become strangers to one another. Dense populations produce irritations and distractions which inhibit spiritual growth.

Again we were told:

Isa 5:9 — The LORD of hosts has sworn in my hearing: Surely many houses shall be desolate, large and beautiful houses without inhabitant.

Many years ago I commuted between my home in Frederick, Maryland and my employment in Washington, DC. As I read these passages there flashed into my mind a picture of those many large and beautiful houses I drove by every day, sitting unoccupied. The inhabitants would be dead as the result of horrible nuclear radiation. Their houses might survive the devastating blasts of those abominable weapons but they would die in agony. This fact was brought profoundly home when I read verses 24 and 25. The anger of our God was kindled against his people; he stretched out his hand and smote them. The mountains quaked on that great day and the corpses were as refuse in the midst of the streets.

For all this his anger is not turned away and his hand is stretched out still.

I found other statements about the present condition of the earth and God's judgment against it. In Isaiah 24:4-6 I read:

The earth mourns and withers, the world languishes and withers;
the heavens languish together with the earth.

The earth lies polluted under its inhabitants; for they have transgressed the laws, violated the statutes, broken the everlasting covenant.

Therefore a curse devours the earth, and its inhabitants suffer for their guilt; therefore the inhabitants of the earth are scorched, and few men are left.

The entire history of the planet has not witnessed the pollution which curses it today. The rivers and lakes, the great ocean bays, the ocean itself, the lands and the atmosphere all experience widespread pollution.

With our aggressive and militant technologies we raped the planet with total disregard to the long-term consequences upon the earth. We devised a social system to gratify our greed.

In one hundred and fifty years we burned the fossil fuels which God took millions of years to accumulate. We dumped gases into our atmosphere to bring unknown damage to the stratosphere. The atmosphere carries a burden worldwide of sulphur dioxide, nitrous oxide and fluorides which pollute the air and disrupt the stratosphere. The forests of Europe and northeast America are dramatically affected from acid rain. We destroyed the tropical forests which so vitally affect atmospheric stability. We ruined our physical environment.

The great statues and temples of ancient Greece and Rome survived for two thousand years, well into the twentieth century, but now crumble under the attack of our poisoned air. I live thirteen miles from Gettysburg. The monuments and memorials of that great battlefield now also are crumbling under our polluted air.

Over the past hundred years we lost thousands upon thousands of plant and animal species, from song birds, to frogs and reptiles, to tigers and elephants. We destroyed the ecological balance of the world.

Pfiesteria, the "cell from hell" that can change from animal to vegetable and back again, now infests the waters, shores, and bays of North Carolina and the great Chesapeake Bay. The deadly organism was created by flushing hog and chicken manure on our mass-production farms into the rivers and bays. It lives in salt water. Will it spread throughout the entire world, destroying fish as it goes?

Horrible tumors afflict the animal kingdom and man from polluted diets.

Breaking forth wildly about us are unknown diseases. Pestilence in the form of AIDS, Ebola virus, and other forms of deadly afflictions, now reach beyond the power of our healing arts. Africa is rapidly being decimated of its black race.

Ezek 7:15 — The sword is without, pestilence and famine are within;
he that is in the field dies by the sword; and him that is in the city
famine and pestilence devour.

The earth truly mourns and withers, the whole world mourns under the burden, the skies languish together with the earth.

Men transgressed God's natural laws. They violated the rules for a sanitary, safe and pleasant world. They broke the covenant of care taking established by God. A curse devours the earth; therefore the inhabitants of the earth shall be scorched and few men will be left.

But we did not limit ourselves to biological destruction. Over the past hundred years we promulgated the preservation of biological and mental weakness in the races. A century ago medical science could not maintain defense against the more deadly diseases.

My father came from a large family of ten children. When he was sixteen years of age they were struck by diphtheria. Three of his siblings died. In such manner the physically weaker members of the family were removed from reproduction. While this may be a crude illustration it shows how nature once weeded out physical weakness.

UP890 - Slowly these migrating sons of Eden united with the higher types of the blue race, invigorating their cultural practices while ruthlessly exterminating the lingering strains of Neanderthal stock. This technique of race blending, combined with the elimination of inferior strains, produced a dozen or more virile and progressive groups of superior blue men, one of which you have denominated the Cro-Magnons.

We long ago lost such social influences, but recent society has promoted weakness more aggressively.

Not too many decades ago it was policy to deprive mentally retarded individuals of reproductive capacity, with society recognizing the impact of permitting reproduction of mental defectives. Today we protect and foster such individuals, out of false altruism, to bring deterioration of general social health, and degrada-

tion of mental acuity. We became subject to evil influences to the point that I cannot even speak of these matters without bringing condemnation down upon my head.

UP592 - It is neither tenderness nor altruism to bestow futile sympathy upon degenerated human beings, unsalvable abnormal and inferior mortals. There exist on even the most normal of the evolutionary worlds sufficient differences between individuals and between numerous social groups to provide for the full exercise of all those noble traits of altruistic sentiment and unselfish mortal ministry without perpetuating the socially unfit and the morally degenerate strains of evolving humanity. There is abundant opportunity for the exercise of tolerance and the function of altruism in behalf of those unfortunate and needy individuals who have not irretrievably lost their moral heritage and forever destroyed their spiritual birthright.

And this is just one illustration of the massive policy sickness that pervades modern society.

UP627 - The second stage of light and life is signaled on the worlds by the arrival of a Life Carrier who becomes the volunteer adviser of the planetary rulers regarding the further efforts to purify and stabilize the mortal race. Thus do the Life Carriers actively participate in the further evolution of the human race — physically, socially, and economically. And then they extend their supervision to the further purification of the mortal stock by the drastic elimination of the retarded and persisting remnants of inferior potential of an intellectual, philosophic, cosmic, and spiritual nature. Those who design and plant life on an inhabited world are fully competent to advise the Material Sons and Daughters, who have full and unquestioned authority to purge the evolving race of all detrimental influences.

We lost our Material Son and Daughter thirty-five thousand years ago. Since that time mankind has drifted, without the divine guidance needed to bring purification and stabilization to the human races. This detrimental decline needs corrective action. Our celestial Visitors are now engaged in the initial steps to effect that correction.

Morality has declined to the point that many men and women no longer can distinguish upright social conduct. Raw sexual gratification has replaced veneration of interpersonal relationships. The principles of honor and respect have been replaced by hatred and fear. This iniquitous attitude has had a devastating impact upon the family, which is crucially important in the maintenance of human culture.

UP943 - Let man enjoy himself; let the human race find pleasure in a thousand and one ways; let evolutionary mankind explore all forms of legitimate self-gratification, the fruits of the long upward biologic struggle. Man has well earned some of his present-day joys and pleasures. But look you well to the goal of destiny! Pleasures are indeed suicidal if they succeed in destroying property, which has become the institution of self-maintenance; and self-gratifications have indeed cost a fatal price if they bring about the collapse of marriage, the decadence of family life, and the destruction of the home — man's supreme evolutionary acquirement and civilization's only hope of survival.

Present social policies are causing a collapse in the marriage institution. Present attitudes are bringing the destruction of family life.

UP765 - Almost everything of lasting value in civilization has its roots in the family. The family was the first successful peace group, the man and woman learning how to adjust their antagonisms while at the same time teaching the pursuits of peace to their children.

UP939 - Marriage is the mother of all human institutions, for it leads directly to home founding and home maintenance, which is the structural basis of society. The family is vitally linked to the mechanism of self-maintenance; it is the sole hope of race perpetuation under the mores of civilization, while at the same time it most effectively provides certain highly satisfactory forms of self-gratification. The family is man's greatest purely human achievement, combining as it does the evolution of the biologic relations of male and female with the social relations of husband and wife.

The post nuclear economic hardships will cause men and women to cling to one another for survival. They will come to great appreciation of the benefits of mutual cooperation. The luxury of today permits them to break the bonds which maintain family life. But the family will once again return to faithful adherence to holy integrity. Under those most dire circumstances men and women will carefully inspect their resources and deployment for physical survival. The extreme crisis will be an effective instrument to stop *perpetuating the socially unfit and the morally degenerate strains of evolving humanity*.

But action must be taken to ensure the sound survival of the human race, and of the biological species which will effect the future ecology of the world. As Jesus said:

If those days had not been shortened no human being would survive.

Nuclear destructions will bring a dramatic revamping of biological species. We do not know the impact atomic radiation may have on mankind. We do not know how it will cleanse the world from the many mutant microorganisms we

have created with our biological experiments. Nor do we know how it will affect the genetic codes of mankind. It may produce permanent alterations in the biological foundations of the human race. Many human weaknesses will be removed strictly out of inability to survive. Only the physically strongest and wisest will survive. Therefore, part of the program of our celestial Visitors today is to preserve species in the face of such dire conditions, and to ensure the quality of the human race. If quality is to be preserved then samples of the human population would be bred on other worlds for a sometime return to this planet to invest the human race with more invigorating genetic qualities.

If we were not the human home of our Creator, if this were just another wandering and wayward planet, of no special interest to anyone in these far flung stretches of empty space, our universe administrators would not spend time on us. They would let us go to perdition.

But that is not the policy of our Creator, whether we are his special home, or just another planet.

UP1319 - Urantia is the sentimental shrine of all Nebadon, the chief of ten million inhabited worlds, the mortal home of Christ Michael, sovereign of all Nebadon, a Melchizedek minister to the realms, a system savior, an Adamic redeemer, a seraphic fellow, an associate of ascending spirits, a morontia progressor, a Son of Man in the likeness of mortal flesh, and the Planetary Prince of Urantia. And your record tells the truth when it says that this same Jesus has promised some time to return to the world of his terminal bestowal, the World of the Cross.

Can you imagine what it must be like to the many worlds of space that this sphere was honored to host the Creator of the universe when he lived as a man, and that the residents then condemned him to die a horrible death on the cross? But even more, that he then rose from the dead, to demonstrate to all creation his power over life and death. Surely, such transactions must be viewed with great sentiment by all the inhabitants of this universe, mortal and immortal.

Now suppose that as part of the process of cleansing our world this same Creator devised a scheme to show the other worlds how he built into man the power to discern right from wrong, and dedication to truth and righteousness, strictly out of their innate sense, without the assurance of actual proof from on high. If he would offer revelation in different and assorted means, from the prophets of old, to the *Urantia Papers* of today, to the direct contacts of recent years, and then ask his people to make decisions for survival based strictly on revelation, and not sure proof from the heavens, and if those people should respond in their hearts and take action to secure themselves in the face of world destruction, and that they then would become shining examples of faith to the worlds of space, how much sentiment would that build on those watching worlds?

And if, in the process of salvaging the better genetic stocks of the world, clandestine celestial operations unfolded in such manner to not force human decisions. The operations had to remain obscure, with only glimpses here and there of purpose. Would we then dare to deny God the wisdom of his actions?

But suppose that the operations of our Visitors were of such nature that they could not help but expose themselves during some episodes. Would mankind not wonder and puzzle over those strange Visitors in the sky? And if, in mercy extension, God should deem it wise to bring to man some information on those operations, would we then not puzzle over the glimpses of revelation he offered, as I now demonstrate in this book? Would that not also be part of revelation?

In such manner God will remove the ungodly. Those who do not know God will not believe in revelations, whether godless scientists or unthinking minds. They will not take necessary actions. They will be lost in the destructions.

Isa 13:9 — Behold, the day of the LORD comes, cruel, with wrath and fierce anger, to make the earth a desolation and to destroy its sinners from it.

The survivors of these deadly times will witness to future generations of the power of their faith in God and in his revelations. They will become a noble elite in a process never before demonstrated on any other world.

Isa 35:10 — And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Would that not also contribute to the sentiments of the watching worlds of space?

And so God will cleanse this world, to bring it back to holiness and righteousness.