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Hurricanes
Floods
Tornadoes



Last weekend the Lord was very gracious to us, He protected us from devastation. We were told the eye of hurricane Charley will come across right in our area. We ended up getting just some wind and rain from the outer edge of the storm. Not so fortunate were the people in Port Charlotte, Orlando, and Daytona area. At least 22 people lost their lives. Many lost their homes. Thousands went without power for days – some for a whole week. Besides Charley there was also a major flood in England and there were mudslides in Death Valley, just to mention a few of last week's disasters.

All this made me think of the Bible verse in Matthew 24:6-7 “You shall hear of wars and rumors of wars. . . . Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.”

I also thought about the fact that we hear about these things every day and so much, that we do not even give it a second thought any more – we do not connect them with God's prophesies of Jesus' Second Coming any more.

We human beings get accustomed to conditions and circumstances very easy. We get used to things. Events that might have alarmed, or upset us before, now we consider normal and accepted. We think in relative terms, instead of absolute terms. For example when we lived in Pennsylvania and we said it was cold -- the temperature was 35 below. Since we live here in Florida we consider it cold when the temperature reaches 35 degrees on the plus side. Or another example; when I was growing up, living with someone outside of marriage was unheard of, now it is an accepted lifestyle.

It is a good thing to get accustomed to things and adjust in a lot of situations, because it makes our lives easier. But it is not acceptable in the matters of the Lord. Not acceptable when it comes to the signs of the times, and end time events. My concern is that we get accustomed hearing about all these things in the news daily, and we register these events as -- another day, another disaster, and we do not recognize them for what they are. They are landmarks to the Second Coming, they are warnings from the Lord to get ready, stay ready, and work diligently.

In Matthew 24:33 we read: “So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near -- at the doors!”

The Lord's promise is sure, He said when you see these things happening, they are announcing my soon return. These things are because of the grace and long suffering of the Lord. These things are warnings and they are to motivate us to prepare ourselves and to work for everyone around us. If we take the attitude of the evil servant “My lord delays his coming” we will loose eternal life, and will also be responsible for others, for those who we could have witnessed to.

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Let us all be vigilant servants, let us be ready and work diligently!

Please read quotes: “Get Ready, Get Ready, Get Ready!”



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Christian Service -PG- 52-53

“How carefully should we avoid mirth and unbecoming levity on the cars, on the boat, wherever we may be; for the daily record of disasters shows that there is no safety anywhere. Even in our homes we are in danger; for storms, floods, and fire are sweeping off thousands, while earthquakes are destroying additional thousands. **If there ever was a time when we should be sober and watch unto prayer, it is now.** Our lives are safe only when hid with Christ in God. We need every day to purify ourselves even as He is pure. There is always hope for us in God. Faith is our defense, for it connects our human weakness with divine power. Men may laugh at our credulity in believing that angels of God were commissioned to avert a terrible calamity; but I am just simple enough to believe it, and this faith I shall cherish. I believe that God delivered us from what Satan would have been glad to make a terrible calamity.”

Second Advent Review and Sabbath Herald -DT- 01-29-1884

“It is on the law of God that the last great struggle of the controversy between Christ and His angels and Satan and his angels will come, and it will be decisive for all the world. . . . Men in responsible positions will not only ignore and despise the Sabbath themselves, but from the sacred desk will urge upon the people the observance of the first day of the week, pleading tradition and custom in behalf of this man-made institution. They will point to calamities on land and sea--to the storms of wind, the floods, the earthquakes, the destruction by fire -- as judgments indicating God's displeasure because Sunday is not sacredly observed. These calamities will increase more and more, one disaster will follow close upon the heels of another; and those who make void the law of God will point to the few who are keeping the

Sabbath of the fourth commandment as the ones who are bringing wrath upon the world. This falsehood is Satan's device that he may ensnare the unwary.”

Christian Service -PG- 155

“While appearing to the children of men as a great physician who can heal all their maladies, he will bring disease and disaster, until populous cities are reduced to ruin and desolation. Even now he is at work. In accidents and calamities by sea and by land, in great conflagrations, in fierce tornadoes and terrific hailstorms, in tempests, floods, cyclones, tidal waves, and earthquakes, in every place and in a thousand forms, Satan is exercising his power. He sweeps away the ripening harvest, and famine and distress follow. He imparts to the air a deadly taint, and thousands perish by the pestilence. These visitations are to become more and more frequent and disastrous. Destruction will be upon both man and beast. **‘The earth mourneth and fadeth away,’ ‘The haughty people . . . do languish. The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant.’** Isaiah 24:4, 5.”

Counsels on Health -PG- 461

“There will soon be a sudden change in God's dealings. The world in its perversity is being visited by casualties, -- by floods, storms, fires, earthquakes, famines, wars, and bloodshed. **‘The Lord is slow to anger, and great in power; yet He will not at all acquit the wicked. The Lord hath His way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of His feet.’** O that men might understand the patience and longsuffering of God! He is putting under restraint His own attributes. His omnipotent power is under the control of Omnipotence. **O that men would understand that God refuses to be wearied out with the world's perversity, and still holds out the hope of forgiveness even to the most undeserving!** But His forbearance will not always continue. Who is prepared for the sudden change that will take place in God's dealing with sinful men? Who will be prepared to escape the punishment that will certainly fall upon transgressors?”

Fundamentals of Christian Education -PG- 356

“Before the Son of man appears in the clouds of heaven everything in nature will be convulsed. Lightning from heaven uniting with the fire in the earth will cause the mountains to burn like a furnace and pour out their floods of lava over villages and cities. Molten masses of rock thrown into the water by the upheaval of things hidden in the earth will cause the water to boil and send forth rocks and earth. There will be mighty earthquakes and great destruction of human life.”

Last Day Events -PG- 26

“The Lord God of Israel is to execute judgment upon the gods of this world as upon the gods of Egypt. With fire and flood, plagues and earthquakes, He will spoil the whole land. Then His redeemed people will exalt His name and make it glorious in the earth. **Shall not those who are living in the last remnant of this earth's history become intelligent in regard to God's lessons?”**

Last Day Events -PG- 240

“**‘As it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.’** Luke 17:26. I was shown that a terrible condition of things exists in our world. The angel of mercy is folding her wings, ready to depart. . . . The law of God is made void. We see and hear of confusion and perplexity, want and famine, earthquakes and floods; terrible outrages will be committed by men; passion, not reason, bears sway. The wrath of God is upon the inhabitants of the world, who are fast becoming as corrupt as were the inhabitants of Sodom and Gomorrah. Already fire and flood are destroying thousands of lives and the property that has been selfishly accumulated by the oppression of the poor. The Lord is soon to cut short His work and put an end to sin. **Oh, that the scenes which have come before me of the iniquities practiced in these last days, might make a deep impression on the minds of God's professing people.”**

Maranatha -PG- 137

“Four mighty angels are still holding the four winds of the earth. Terrible destruction is forbidden to come in full. The accidents by land and by sea; the loss of life, steadily increasing, by storm, by tempest,

by railroad disaster, by conflagration; the terrible floods, the earthquakes, and the winds will be the stirring up of the nations to one deadly combat, while the angels hold the four winds, forbidding the terrible power of Satan to be exercised in its fury until the servants of God are sealed in their foreheads.”

My Life Today -PG- 308

“It means much to us whether we are in pursuit of the heavenly things or of the earthly. The earthly will soon pass away. In these days there is great destruction of earthly treasures. There are ‘**earthquakes in divers places,**’ and trouble and difficulties are seen on every hand. **But it is our privilege to be preparing to become members of the heavenly family, children of the heavenly King.**”

My Life Today -PG- 342

“There should be an intelligent knowledge of how to come to God in reverence and Godly fear with devotional love. There is a growing lack of reverence for our Maker, a growing disregard of His greatness and His majesty. But God is speaking to us in these last days. We hear His voice in the storm, in the rolling thunder. We hear of the calamities He permits in the earthquakes, the breaking forth of waters, and the destructive elements sweeping all before them. We hear of ships going down in the tempestuous ocean. God speaks to families who have refused to recognize Him, sometimes in the whirlwind and storm, sometimes face to face as He talked with Moses. Again He whispers His love to the little trusting child and to the gray-haired sire in his dotage. And earthly wisdom has a wisdom as it beholds the unseen.”

Selected Messages Book 2 -PG- 315-316

“Already the judgments of God are abroad in the land, as seen in storms, in floods, in tempests, in earthquakes, in peril by land and by sea. The great I AM is speaking to those who make void His law. When God's wrath is poured out upon the earth, who will then be able to stand? Now is the time for God's people to show themselves true to principle. **When the religion of Christ is most held in contempt, when His law is most despised, then should our zeal be the warmest and our courage and firmness the most unflinching. To stand in the defense of truth and righteousness when the majority forsake us, to fight the battles of the Lord when champions are few -- this will be our test.** At this time we must gather warmth from the coldness of others, courage from their cowardice, and loyalty from their treason. . . .”

Sons and Daughters of God -PG- 201

“It is God who holds in His hands the destiny of souls. He will not always be mocked; He will not always be trifled with. Already His judgments are in the land. Fierce and awful tempests leave destruction and death in their wake. The devouring fire lays low the desolate forest and the crowded city. Storm and shipwreck await those who journey upon the deep. Accident and calamity threaten all who travel upon the land. Hurricanes, earthquakes, sword and famine, follow in quick succession. Yet the hearts of men are hardened. They recognize not the warning voice of God. They will not flee to the **only refuge from the gathering storm.**”

Testimonies for the Church Volume Five -PG- 234

“These lessons are for our benefit. We need to stay our faith upon God, for there is just before us a time that will try men's souls. Christ, upon the Mount of Olives, rehearsed the fearful judgments that were to precede His second coming: ‘**Ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars.**’ **‘Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows.’** While these prophecies received a partial fulfillment at the destruction of Jerusalem, they have a more direct application to the last days.”

Testimonies for the Church Volume Five -PG- 753

“The law of God is made void. We see and hear of confusion and perplexity, want and famine, earthquakes and floods; terrible outrages will be committed by men; passion, not reason, bears sway. The wrath of God is upon the inhabitants of the world, who are fast becoming as corrupt as were the inhabitants of Sodom and Gomorrah. Already fire and flood are destroying thousands of lives and the

property that has been selfishly accumulated by the oppression of the poor. The Lord is soon to cut short His work and put an end to sin. **Oh, that the scenes which have come before me of the iniquities practiced in these last days, might make a deep impression on the minds of God's professing people.** As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be when the Son of man shall be revealed. The Lord is removing His restrictions from the earth, and soon there will be death and destruction, increasing crime, and cruel, evil working against the rich who have exalted themselves against the poor. Those who are without God's protection will find no safety in any place or position. Human agents are being trained and are using their inventive power to put in operation the most powerful machinery to wound and to kill.”

Testimonies for the Church Volume Eight -PG- 49-50

“We hear now of earthquakes in divers places, of fires, of tempests, of disasters by sea and land, of pestilence, of famine. What weight do these signs have upon you? This is only the beginning of what shall be. The description of the day of God is given through John by the Revelator. The cry of the terror-stricken myriads has fallen upon the ear of John. **‘The great day of His wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?’** The apostle himself was awed and overwhelmed.”

Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers -PG- 444

“Today the past is repeating. God is sending men plain warnings. The recent earthquakes show how quickly the ungodly will perish when the judgments of God fall upon the earth. Already in flood and flame, His judgments are falling upon evil doers. All who refuse to repent will perish.”

(Australasian) Union Conference Record -DT- 09-15-1902

“How many disasters are now taking place. These are admonitions to us that we are living in the last days. Daily we read of earthquakes; of the going down of many ships, with great loss of life; of destructive floods; and of the burning of immense buildings costing millions of dollars -- buildings which men have pronounced fireproof, but which, when touched by the finger of God, are consumed. With a loud voice these things speak to us, saying, **‘The end of all things is at hand.’**”

Bible Training School DT- 06-01-1902

“The sword of wrath is stretched out over a people who have by their pride and wickedness provoked the displeasure of a just God. Storms, earthquakes, whirlwinds, fire, and the sword will spread desolation everywhere, until men's hearts shall fail them for fear, looking for those things which shall come upon the earth. We know not how small a space is between us and eternity. We know not how soon our probation may close.”

Second Advent Review and Sabbath Herald -DT- 11-28-1882

“Four mighty angels are still holding the four winds of the earth. Terrible destruction is forbidden to come in full. The accidents by land and by sea; the loss of life, steadily increasing, by storm, by tempest, by railroad disaster, by conflagration; the terrible floods, the earthquakes, and the winds will be the stirring up of the nations to one deadly combat, while the angels hold the four winds, forbidding the terrible power of Satan to be exercised in its fury until the servants of God are sealed in their foreheads. **Get ready, get ready, I beseech you, get ready before it shall be forever too late!** The ministers of vengeance will pour all the terrible judgments upon a God-forsaken people. The way of obedience is the only path of life. May the Lord help you to see it in time to open your ears, that you may **‘hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.’**”

Advent Review and Sabbath Herald -DT- 06-07-1887

“Important events are about to take place. While the world is asking in scorn, **‘Where is the promise of His coming?’** the signs are rapidly fulfilling. While men are crying, **‘Peace and safety,’** sudden destruction is coming. The Spirit of God is being withdrawn from the earth, and calamity is following calamity by land and by sea. Tempests and earthquakes, fires and floods, are heard of on every hand. **Only in God can security be found.**”

Advent Review and Sabbath Herald -DT- 05-21-1901

“God desires parents to take hold of their work intelligently, because we have only a little time in which to prepare for the return of the Saviour. We are admonished of the nearness of the end by the calamity that has befallen San Francisco. Christ declared that earthquakes and other judgments would be seen in divers places. By these He desires to demonstrate that He hates iniquity, and that at last He will punish transgressors. He will forbear, and forbear, and forbear; but finally He can forbear no longer.”

Advent Review and Sabbath Herald -DT- 07-12-1906

“The great I AM is vindicating His law. He is speaking to those who make it void in storms, in floods, in tempests, in earthquakes, in perils by land and by sea. Now is the time for **His people to show themselves true to principle.**”

The Watchman -DT- 12-25-1906

“The passing days are eventful and full of peril. Signs of a most startling character appear in floods, in hurricanes, in tornadoes, in earthquakes, in casualties by sea and land. **The judgments of God are falling on the world, that men may be awakened to the fact that Christ will come speedily.**”

The Watchman -DT- 03-01-1909

“The signs in the sun, moon, and stars have been fulfilled. Since that time earthquakes, tempests, tidal waves, pestilence, and famines have multiplied. The most awful destructions, by fire and flood, are following one another in quick succession. **The terrible disasters that are taking place from week to week speak to us in earnest tones of warning, declaring that the end is near,** that something great and decisive will soon of necessity take place.”

The Watchman -DT- 12-01-1909

“All Heaven is represented to me as watching the unfolding of events. A crisis is to be revealed in the great and prolonged controversy in the government of God on earth. Something great and decisive is to take place, and that right early. If any delay, the character of God and His throne will be compromised. The armory of heaven is open; **all the universe of God and its equipments are ready.** One word has justice to speak, and there will be terrific representations upon the earth, of the wrath of God. There will be voices and thunderings and lightnings and earthquakes and universal desolation. Every movement in the universe of heaven is to prepare the world for the great crisis.”

An Appeal to Our Ministers and Conference Committees -PG- 38-39

“The Lord is teaching men that there are limits to His forbearance. In fires, in floods, in earthquakes, in the fury of the great deep, in calamities by sea and by land, the warning is given that God's Spirit will not always strive with men. The times in which we live are times of great depravity and crime of every degree. Why? -- because men whom God has blessed and favored have reduced His holy law to a dead letter, making void the law of God by the traditions and inventions of the man of sin. A more-than-common contempt is put upon the commandments of God, while the representative men of the Colonies have exalted the first day of the week to be observed by all men. They would have men bow down and worship it, as did Nebuchadnezzar when he exalted the golden image in the plains of Dura. When wickedness comes to this pass, it is fast reaching its height. **Well may the prayer go forth from the people of God, calling for His interference, ‘It is time for Thee, Lord, to work: for they have made void Thy law.’**”

Manuscript Releases Volume Three -PG- 315

“This is riches beyond estimate. This faith must be the great element in the power which rules the characters of God's people. He displayed great signs and wonders in Egypt, showing His command over all the natural world and over the powers which the Egyptian oppressors worshiped. Once again the Lord God of Israel is to execute judgment upon the gods of this world, as upon the gods of Egypt. With fire and flood, plagues and earthquakes, He will spoil the whole land. Then His redeemed people will exalt His name and make it glorious in the earth. **Shall not those who are living in the last remnant of this earth's history become intelligent in regard to God's lessons?**”

Manuscript Releases Volume Ten -PG- 240

“Everything has been moving on just as the Lord has revealed in prophecy that it would. Something great and decisive is soon to take place, else no flesh would be saved. The character of God will not be compromised. Under the wrath of God universal desolation will soon reach all parts of the known world. There have been lightnings and earthquakes, fires and floods, calamities by sea and by land; **but who reads these warnings?** What impression is made upon the world? What change in their attitude is seen?”

Manuscript Releases Volume Eighteen -PG- 57

“Frequently we hear of earthquakes, of tempests and tornadoes, accompanied with thunder and lightning. Apparently these are capricious outbreaks of seemingly disorganized, unregulated forces. But God has a purpose in permitting these calamities to occur. **They are one of His means of calling men and women to their senses.** By unusual workings through nature God will express to doubting human agencies that which He clearly reveals in His Word. He will answer the question, ‘*Who hath gathered the wind in His fists?*’ He will reveal Himself as the One who ‘*maketh the clouds His chariot: who walketh upon the wings of the wind.*’ ‘*He bringeth the wind out of His treasures.*’ ‘*The Lord sitteth upon the flood; yea, the Lord sitteth King for ever.*’ ‘*He gave to the sea His decree, that the waters should not pass His commandment: when He appointed the foundations of the earth.*’ ‘*He looketh on the earth, and it trembleth: He toucheth the hills, and they smoke.*’”

Manuscript Releases Volume Nineteen -PG- 279-280

“We are amid the perils of the last days, and trying times are before us. Everything that can be shaken will be shaken, that those things that cannot be shaken may remain. Drought, famine, pestilence, earthquakes, casualties by sea and land, will multiply. Life will be unsafe anywhere, only as the life is hid with Christ in God. **Now, while the angels are holding the four winds, is our opportunity to seek the Lord most earnestly.**”

Manuscript Releases Volume Twenty -PG- 285

“Everything in the world is in agitation. The signs of the times are ominous. Coming events cast their shadows before. The Spirit of God is withdrawing from the earth, and calamity follows calamity by sea and by land. There are tempests, earthquakes, fires, floods, murders of every grade. Who can read the future? Where is security? There is assurance in nothing that is human or earthly. Rapidly are men ranging themselves under the banner they have chosen. Restlessly are they waiting and watching the movements of their leaders. There are those who are waiting and watching and working for our Lord's appearing. Another class are falling into line under the generalship of the first great apostate. Few believe with heart and soul that we have a hell to shun and a heaven to win.

The crisis is stealing gradually upon us. The sun shines in the heavens, passing over its usual round, and the heavens still declare the glory of God. Men are still eating and drinking, planting and building, marrying, and giving in marriage. Merchants are still buying and selling. Men are jostling one against another, contending for the highest place. Pleasure lovers are still crowding to theaters, horse races, gambling halls. The highest excitement prevails, yet probation's hour is fast closing, and every case is about to be eternally decided. Satan sees that his time is short. He has set all his agencies at work that men may be deceived, deluded, occupied and entranced, until the day of probation shall be ended, and the door of mercy be forever shut.”

Desire of Ages -PG- 636

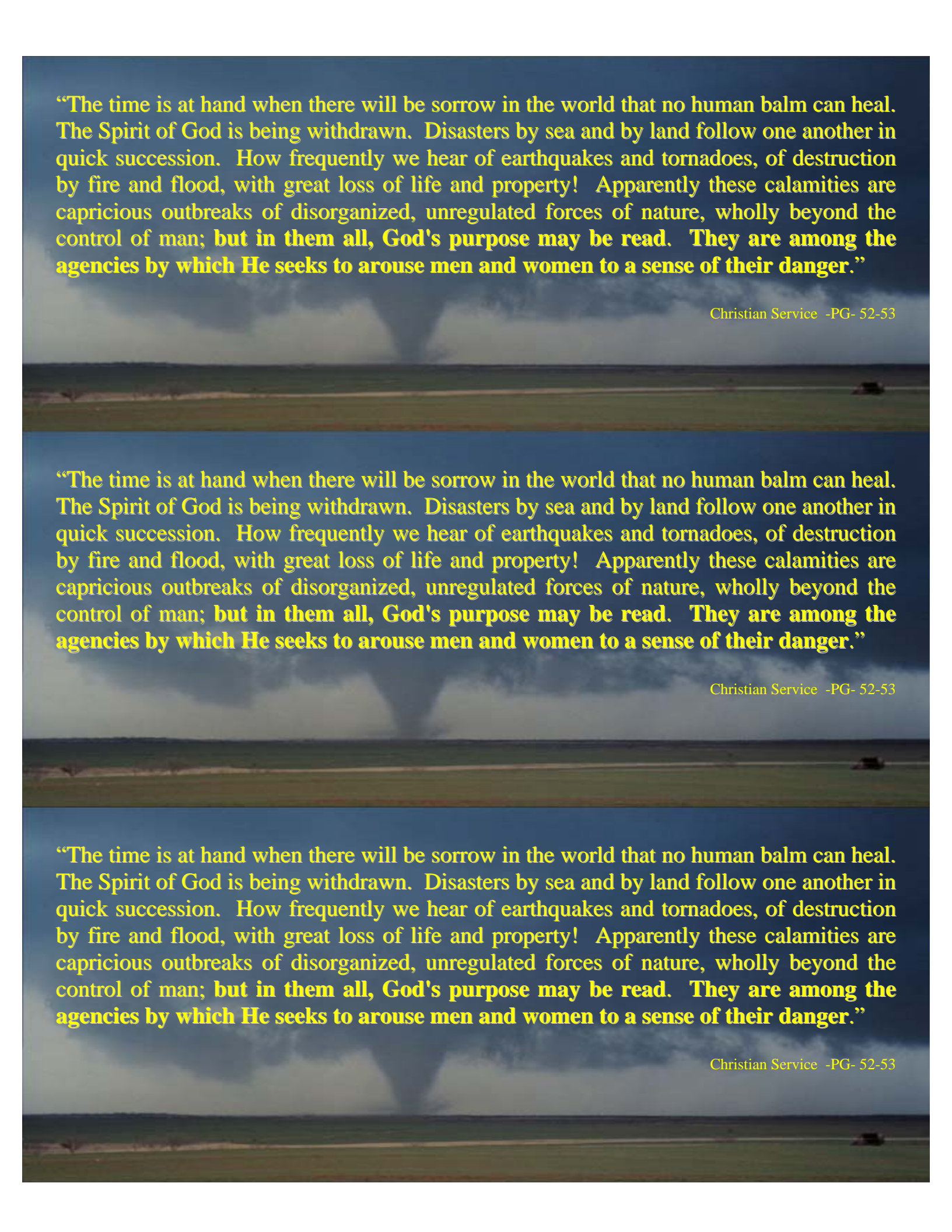
“Christ is coming soon. He declared that when there would be wars and rumors of wars, when there would be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in divers places, we might know that the time of His second appearing is near. ‘*When these things begin to come to pass,*’ He declared, ‘*then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.*’ (Luke 21:28).”

Sermons and Talks Volume Two -PG- 202

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