# The Four Winds



#### Education, 179,180 (1903)

Angels are now restraining the winds of strife that they may not blow until the world shall be warned of its coming doom, but a storm is gathering, ready to burst upon the earth, and when God shall bid His angels loose the winds there will be such a scene of strife as no pen can picture.

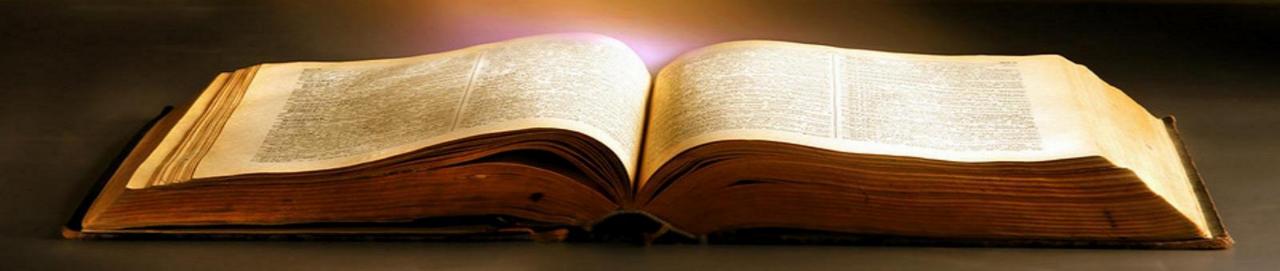


What do the "Winds" Represent?

## The Great Controversy, 614

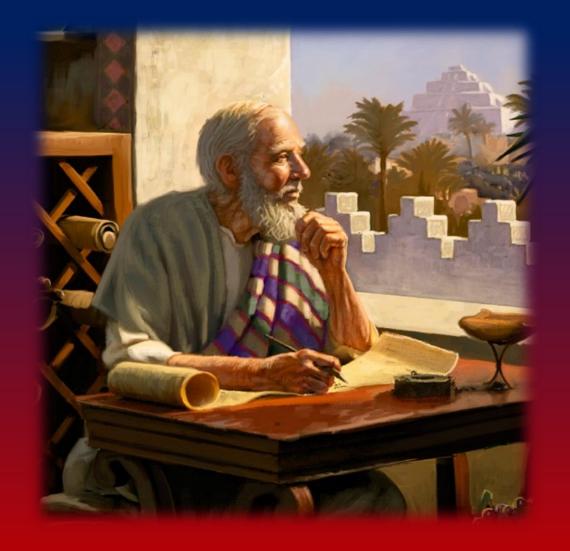
As the angels of God cease to hold in check the fierce winds of human passion, all the elements of strife will be let loose. The whole world will be involved in ruin more terrible than that which came upon Jerusalem of old.

# Prophetic Reactions



"...there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time..."

#### Daniel 12:1



# Ellen White The Great Controversy



"It is often the case that trouble is greater in anticipation than in reality; but this is not true of the crisis before us. The most vivid presentation cannot reach the magnitude of the ordeal." (p. 622.4)

"When I heard, my belly trembled; my lips quivered at the voice: rottenness entered into my bones, and <u>I</u> trembled in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble..."

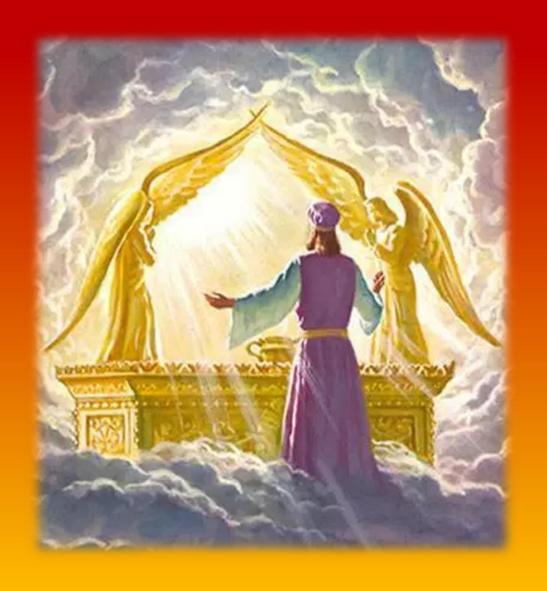
## Habakkuk 3:16



# What is your Reaction?

# A Preview of Things to Come?

### Revelation 7:2,3



And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

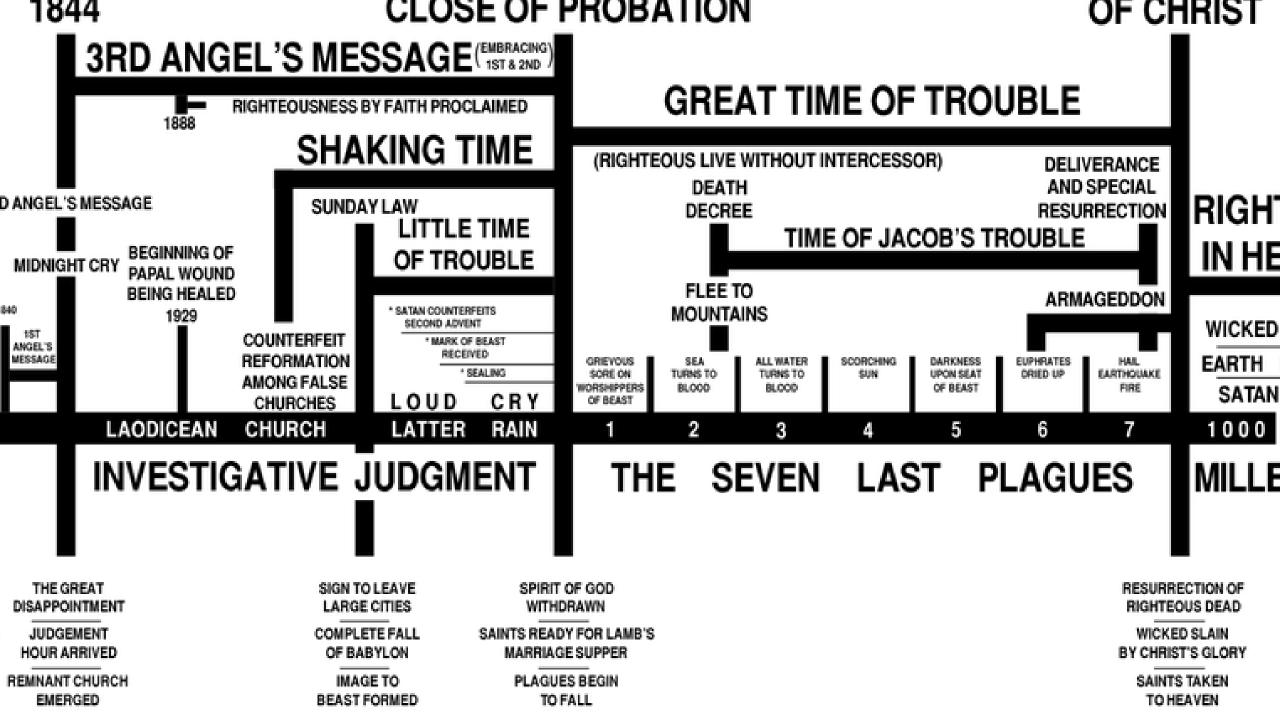
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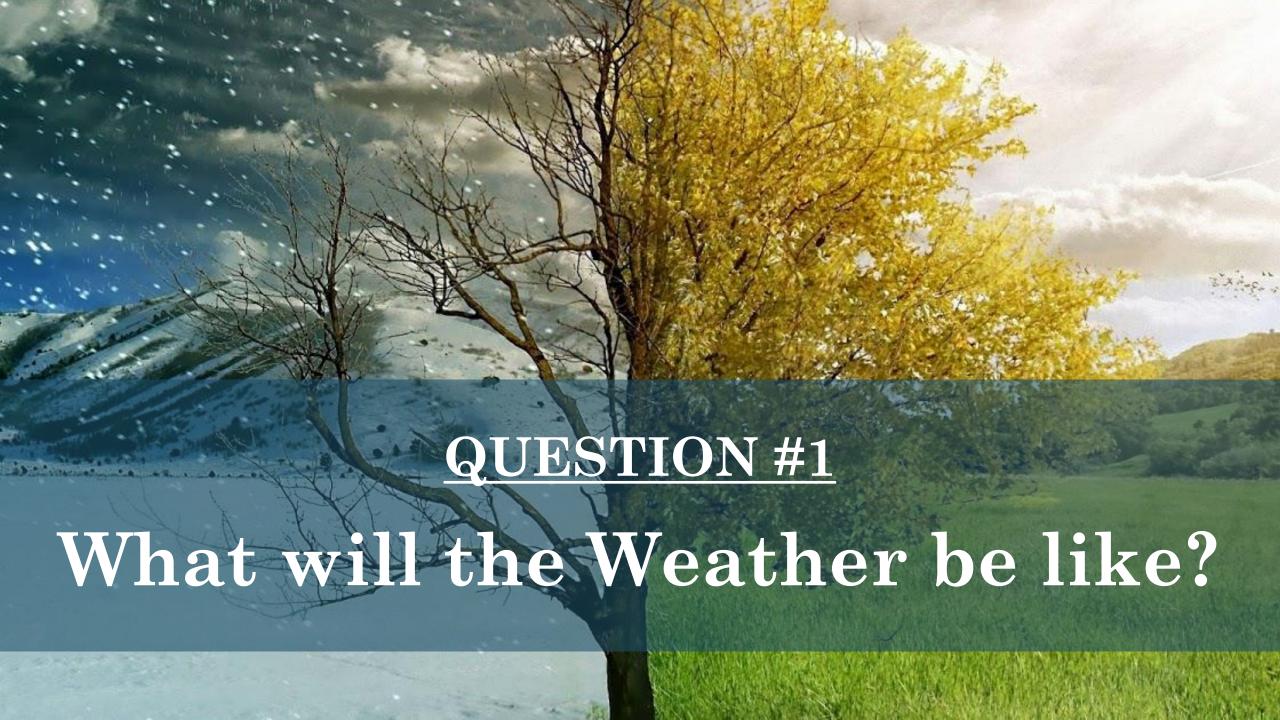
A world-wide "extreme climatic anomaly" spawned some of the highest and lowest temperatures of the 20th century

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Fig. 1 German soldiers in Russia in January 1942. Temperatures dropped to -56 °C (provided by Barry L. Geipel, www.geipelnet.com/war\_albums/otto/).





## Matt 24:20,21

But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

## Job 38:22,23

Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail, Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?

## Revelation 16:9

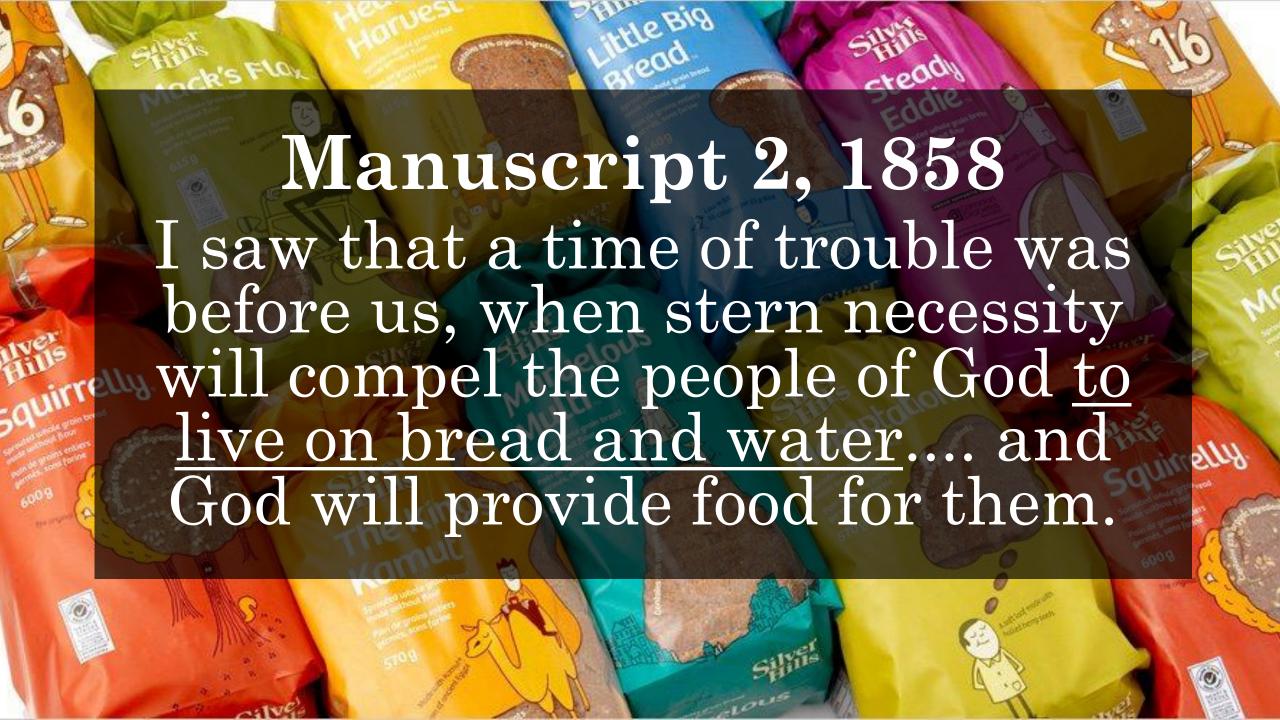
And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory.



Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

#### Habakkuk 3:17,18







#### Last Day Events 238.3

Four mighty angels hold back the powers of this earth till the servants of God are sealed in their foreheads. The nations of the world are eager for conflict, but they are held in check by the angels. When this restraining power is removed there will come a time of trouble and anguish. Deadly instruments of warfare will be invented. Vessels with their living cargo will be entombed in the great deep.









The people of God will not be free from suffering; but while persecuted and distressed, while they endure privation, and suffer for want of food, they will not be left to perish.

## Jacob's Time of Trouble



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Their (the saints') sufferings will be mental...

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