

'Repent and turn' one reader urges

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Editor-

In a recent Letter to the Editor, a citizen concerned about all the natural disasters was attributing the problems to global warming and our failure to listen to the varied voices of science.

The plagues, pestilences and disasters have even suddenly increased! Perhaps we have been ignoring another Voice as well.

I don't mean the varied voices of religion, but the One Whom current 'political correctness' minimizes, typically negating or mixing doctrines of deity.

There is One Maker and Life-Giver of this vast creation, made more amazing with technology and every advancement of research!

There is One Who foreknew the course of human history, which archeology and current events continue to verify.

There is One Designer of human relationships and events Who knows the ways which would make for health and life, again proved right by the horrible diseases and violence increasing in the world resulting from rebelling and doing it 'our way.'

Is there much serious consideration--yet?-- to try to take some time and a humble unbiased look at what is really written in the age-old Hebrew Book (modern translations are somewhat altered) which lists blessings and judgments based on belief and actions, and contains promises of Restoration?

In one community judged for its selfish violence, fire and brimstone could have been averted if there had been only 10 obedient believers in the area!

In another large empire, destruction was avoided through humble repentance, prayer and fasting!

As we stood on Mount Megiddo in Israel overlooking the wide Armageddon Valley, our guide read what is prophesied to happen there, held up the Bible and pleaded with crackling voice and tears: "Please pray that ALL would repent and turn! We know He is a Merciful God, and maybe it won't have to be as bad as it says!" Praying each will consider... forgiving and establishing true peace so our world can become safe for children.