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The Volcanic Prophecies

In Luke 17:23-30 in the Christian Gospels, Jesus confirms the world's destruction at his next coming to earth, saying it will be as the days of Noah and Lot. In the well-known Noah story, warning was given for people to repent but only a few would. God then flooded the earth to wipe out the vast majority of humanity and other life on the planet (Genesis 6:11-22, 7:1-24). In the days of Lot, the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah were destroyed for unprecedented levels of sin. According to Genesis 19:24, fire and sulfur rained on them.

Scientists discovered super volcanoes during the past few decades, noticing formations in satellite photos of earth that looked volcanic but of enormous size. Studying the formations on earth, scientists confirmed they are indeed giant volcanoes. A few are spread across the planet. Scientists explain when a major eruption of a super volcano occurs, it wipes out all or the majority of life on the planet. A massive flood of volcanic ash smothers the atmosphere and leaves large parts of the earth covered under several feet of it. What is not smothered to death dies from starvation as temperatures plummet and massive crop failures result. Scientists also explain that Yellowstone National Park in the United States is a super volcano (a few more exist across the planet), by its geological clock is due for eruption, and is active. That is, it is preparing for eruption.

Massive electromagnetic energy released during volcanic eruptions causes lightning and thunder. Large earthquakes occur, and mud balls and hailstones formed around volcanic ash particulates fall from the sky. Christian prophecy in Revelation 16:17-21 clearly describes eruption of a super

volcano: lightning, thunder, giant hailstones, and earthquakes causing cities to crumble across the planet and islands and mountains to disappear. Size of the hailstones is due to the enormous amount and size of particulates put into the air.

When a super volcano erupts, earthquakes of unimaginable magnitude occur. When the inevitable major eruption of the Yellowstone or other super volcano occurs, it will rip apart and move land all over the world. This not only confirms the Christian prophecy in Revelation, but also prophecy of Islam, Judaism, and the Mormon scripture.

Qur'an surah 56, "Al Waqi'ah" ("The Inevitable"), says an event will come to pass to humble many, "the earth will be shaken to its depths, the mountains will crumble." Surah 99, "Al Zalzalah" ("The Earthquake"), says the earth will shake and throw out its inner burdens, that this will be Judgment Day when the souls are sorted. Notice that surah 99 adds information not in Revelation that with the great quaking, the earth will throw out its insides. Surah 101, "Al Quri'ah" ("The Great Calamity"), speaks of a clamorous day when men will be scattered like moths and the mountains carded like wool. Surah 22 says the Last Day on earth will feature tremendous earthquakes so severe that pregnant women will abort their babies, nursing mothers will abandon their infants, and people will be moving about as if drunk though they are sober.

Ezekiel 38:19-22 in the Tanakh (or "Old Testament") also gives prophecy of enormous earthquakes that destroy every building, cause mountains to vanish, and feature "torrents of rain, hailstones and burning sulfur." In 1 Nephi 12:4-6 in the Mormon scriptures, the super volcanic eruption is prophesied in vision as lightning, thunder, and earthquakes that cause rocks and mountains to tear apart, and cities to sink, burn, and

fall to the ground. The scriptures from the different books combine to describe what will happen during major eruption of a super volcano. This gives scientific legitimacy to the holy books, prophets, prophecy, and God's existence. This also demonstrates that God has placed important information in the different religions as well as within science and scientific information can improve our understandings of scripture.

Noah's Flood in Qur'an and Tanakh

Translations of Qur'an ayah 11:40 render interpretation suggesting Noah's flood may have not just been a flood of water but began with volcanic eruption and massive amounts of volcanic ash:

Thus it was) till, when Our commandment came to pass and the oven gushed forth water, We said: Load therein two of every kind, a pair (the male and female), and thy household, save him against whom the word hath gone forth already, and those who believe. And but a few were they who believed with him. - M. Pickthall

At length, behold! there came Our command, and the fountains of the earth gushed forth! We said: "Embark therein, of each kind two, male and female, and your family - except those against whom the word has already gone forth,- and the Believer s." but only a few believed with him. - Y.Ali

Until when Our command drew near and the oven boiled, We said: Carry in it of every living thing, two, a pair and thy people, but him against whom the saying has preceded and who believed. And none but a few believed with him. - L. Bakhtiar

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When Our command came to pass and the water bubbled up, rose in billows and erupted through the earth's surface inundating the land, We said to him: Carry with you on board ship a pair -a male and a female- of every kind or living creature (or possibly two pairs of each species) together with your family, except those against whom Allah has already pledged His word, and carry those who acknowledged the truth of your mission, they were but some few.
- Al-Muntakhab

So, when Our command came and the volcano erupted. We said: "Carry in it two of every pair, and your family; except those against whom the word has been issued; and whoever believed." But those who believed with him were few. - The Monotheist Group (2011)

So, when Our command came and the chamber erupted . . .
- The Monotheist Group (2015)

Thus were they employed until when Our decree came and the oven boiled over . . . - A. M. Daryabadi

(And so it went on) until the time when Our command came and the boiler started boiling over . . . - A. Unal

Until when Our Command came, and the oven boiled over . . . - M.M. Ghali

At last, when Our command came and the oven overflowed . . . - M.T. Usmani

Until when Our command (of torment) came and the oven started gushing . . . - M. Tahir-ul-Qadri

Until when Our order/command came, and the hollow
clay oven/furnace boiled over/gushed . . . - M. & S. Ahmed

Until, when Our command came, and the Oven boiled . . .
- A.J. Arberry

Until at length when our order came, and the oven
boiled . . . - E.H. Palmer

Thus was it until our sentence came to pass, and the
earth's surface boiled up . . . - J.M. Rodwell

Translations of ayah 23:27, also about the flood of Noah's time, indicate similar language in the Arabic text of an oven boiling over and fountains of the earth gushing forth. In the Jewish scriptures, various translations of Genesis 7:4 indicate a rain of 40 days and nights. Genesis 7:11 says "all the fountains of the great deep" burst open.

Noah's Flood in Science

In this [video](#), the narrator focuses attention on Job 38:30 in the Jewish scriptures - "the waters are hid as with a stone and the face of the deep is frozen" - while talking about recent scientific discovery of vast underground reservoirs of water a few hundred miles below the earth's surface. Other sources explain the science as the narrator does, this water does not appear at that depth as water but is locked (frozen) inside the composition of rocks. One source notes a piece of this rock was brought to the surface from 400 miles below the surface by a volcanic eruption.

When a super volcano erupts, this rock is brought to the surface in massive amounts. The super heat of the volcanic

eruption melts or incinerates much of the rock to release the water as vapor. The release of water vapor is why lightning, thunder, rain, hail, and mud-ball storms accompany volcanic eruptions. Revelation 16:17-21 in the Christian scriptures prophesies gigantic hailstones and mud-balls to accompany what appears by its description to be the end-of-the-world eruption of a super volcano.

This science leads to understanding of how a super volcanic eruption leads not only to a massive rain of volcanic ash but to an immense release of water vapor into the atmosphere so that an enormous rain also follows. By the lowering of the atmospheric temperatures from the massive amounts of sulfur dioxide and other volcanic ash particulates blocking out sunlight for a number of years, the flood of water from all the rain after the super volcano will then turn to ice and a global ice age will occur.

The Science of Super Volcanoes

The movement of molten magma underground prior to and during volcanic eruptions causes earthquakes. Earthquakes from the shifting of the earth's tectonic plates can also trigger eruptions of active volcanoes (volcanoes that have a collecting magma pool). Recent scientific findings, however, suggest that super volcanoes are more likely than smaller conventional volcanoes to erupt without a triggering earthquake but instead from the buildup of pressure of the molten magma pushing toward the surface. In addition, scientists have found evidence that the magma pool of super volcanoes can form much faster than previously believed, taking as little as 500 years from formation to eruption. The age of the magma pool under Yellowstone National Park is not known.

The science indicates a super volcano eruption can be induced by an earthquake from the shifting of the earth's tectonic plates, or it can occur in absence of an earthquake from the buildup of pressure of the super-heated magma under the surface. When that magma rushes toward and explodes through the surface, it is like any other explosion, rocking the ground beneath and around it in an outward wave. The strength of a major eruption of a super volcano will cause massive earthquakes that will trigger eruption of other volcanoes which will trigger more earthquakes triggering other volcanoes in a chain reaction that spreads across the globe. Major eruption of a super volcano may result in a chain reaction that causes every conventional and other super volcanoes with any magma buildup to erupt.

Prior to major eruption of a super volcano, the world could experience effects of a minor eruption or even catastrophic effects of major eruption of a smaller conventional volcano. Those effects could include short-term but severe changes in weather patterns such as occurred Europe, North America and elsewhere in the summer of 1816 after the eruption of Mt. Tambora in Indonesia a year earlier. A far more severe temperature drop could result from a minor eruption of a super volcano, causing even more severe crop failures and therefore mass starvation. In a major eruption of a super volcano, survivors may not live long enough to experience starvation as the air would likely become un-breathable from the massive inundation of volcanic ash.

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