

Are There Connections Between Weather and Spiritual Events?

This is the first tropical storm warning in California history. This is not supposed to be happening. This is a major shift in weather models—an anomaly. The warning extends from the state's southern border to just north of Los Angeles.

Only God knows what is about to happen to Los Angeles.

Governor Gavin Newsom on Saturday proclaimed a state of emergency to be in effect for a large portion of Southern California, as the state prepares for a historic hurricane which is expected to cause extreme rain and flooding.

There are “more than 7,500 boots on the ground” deployed to help communities protect the people of California from the possible impacts of Hurricane Hilary, according to the release from his office.

“Today, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a state of emergency for much of Southern California to support Hurricane Hilary response and recovery efforts as the state continues mobilizing and coordinating resources ahead of the storm's forecasted impacts, starting today,” the release read.

Mario Murillo Ministries finds itself in a familiar situation. Just weeks after Hurricane Ian hit Fort Myers, our tent crusade went there. Now Hurricane Hilary is hitting Los Angeles just weeks before our tent is to go up at the Los Angeles County Fairgrounds.

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The first secular news reports of the revival at 312 Azusa Street in Los Angeles appeared on April 18, 1906—on the very day of the San Francisco earthquake.

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Right now, Los Angeles is divided into two camps. There are those who believe this storm will amount to nothing. And there are those who are genuinely frightened. Again, only God knows what this storm will do.

There is one thing that is certain—everyone should be soul searching. The most dangerous condition is apathy.

Jesus said we should discern the signs of the times. Matthew 16:2-4, “He answered and said to them, ‘When it is evening you say, “It will be fair weather, for the sky is red”; and in the morning, “It will be foul weather today, for the sky is red and threatening.” Hypocrites! You know how to discern the face of the sky, but you cannot discern the signs of the times. A wicked and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and no sign shall be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah.’ And He left them and departed.”

Even if there is no major damage, something we all pray for, shouldn't people ask themselves, “Is someone is trying to tell us something?”

And isn't it interesting that this storm will hit on a Sunday morning when hundreds of thousands are expected to be in churches. What an opportunity for pastors!

This is why I believe that Los Angeles is now the Valley of Decision. There is something going on here that is deeper than any of us understand. We need to pray fervently that this will be an occasion of repentance.

Maybe God needs to correct our attitude toward this city. L.A. is not just corrupt politicians, violent gangs, drug dealers

and deranged celebrities. There are many helpless victims. There are Christian families here who cannot afford to escape and they have no option for their children but woke public schools.

Not only this, but there are also thousands who would get saved today if only someone would pray with them. And this storm is going to intensify that hunger for God.

If we had any lingering doubt about the timing of our crusade—this storm has wiped it out. We are here in the perfect will of God. If we had any hesitation about being bold—that is gone now. People are ready for the whole Truth.

✖ I called Frank Saldana tonight and asked him if the army wanted to leave the city because of the storm. I got an emphatic, “No.” They do not want to leave when there could be a sudden, massive and deep openness to Jesus.

I see Los Angeles through the eyes of Jesus. And the burden is overwhelming.

Matthew 9:36-38, “When He saw the throngs, He was moved with pity and sympathy for them, because they were bewildered (harassed and distressed and dejected and helpless), like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, ‘The harvest is indeed plentiful, but the laborers are few. So, pray to the Lord of the harvest to force out and thrust laborers into His harvest’” (AMPC). {eoa}

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