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Mountains Fall on Us and Caves People Hide In.

Topics.

- The people shall enter caves, rocks, and holes in the ground.

The people will say:

- Mountains cover us, hills fall on us.
- Fall on us mountains and rocks.
- Mountains fall on us, hills cover us.
- Conclusion and the Good News.

THE PEOPLE SHALL ENTER CAVES, ROCKS, AND HOLES

- **Isaiah 2:19-21:** And people shall enter the caves of the rocks and the holes of the ground (caves in KJV), from before the terror (fear in KJV) of the LORD, and from the splendor of his majesty, when he rises to terrify the earth. ²⁰ In that day mankind will cast away their idols of silver and their idols of gold, which they made for themselves to worship, to the moles and to the bats, ²¹ to enter the caverns (clefts in KJV) of the rocks and the clefts of the cliffs, from before the terror (fear in KJV) of the LORD, and from the splendor of his majesty, when he rises to terrify the earth.

These verses are in the context of Judah and Jerusalem, and the latter days, when the mountain of the House of the LORD will be established as the highest of all mountains, and many peoples will say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD to the house of God, for the law and word of the LORD goes out from Jerusalem, and nations will no longer learn war. In this context Isaiah sees in a prophetic vision that before this glorious time comes, inhabitants of the earth will be struck with such great fear and terror of the LORD (signifying destructive natural disasters), that they hid themselves in caves and amongst rocks.

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SNAPSHOT: it is unlikely that people in the latter days will be seeking caves and rocks to hid in, the implication is that prior to the New World of Christ's glorious millennial reign, governments worldwide will fall into chaos, natural disasters and wars will increase, and famines, disasters and sorrows will be so great and widespread people will be seeking ways of escaping.

THE PEOPLE WILL SAY, MOUNTAINS COVER US, HILLS FALL ON US

- **Hosea 10:8:** The high places of Aven, the sin of Israel, shall be destroyed, thorn and thistle shall grow up on their altars, and they shall say to the mountains, cover us, and to the hills, fall on us. (Hosea 10:8).

Aven: means, vanity it was the Egyptian city called "On" dedicated to the sun and idol worship, Hosea contemptuously likens the places of the golden heathen calves of Bethel to the high places of Aven. These verses are in the context of Israel, greatly prospering, but whose heart is false before the LORD, their land is full of idols, their priests are idolatrous, and they have no fear of the LORD or their king, saying, "what can he do for

us?" Hosea warns them, if they do not begin to seek the LORD, show fruits of righteousness, and destroy their idols, God's judgment and wrath is going to fall upon them, which will be so destructive, and bring so much grief, fear, and terror they will seek places to escape.

The expression, "say to the mountains, cover us, and to the hills, fall on us," signify, fearful and terrifying events.

THE PEOPLE WILL SAY, FALL ON US MOUNTAINS AND ROCKS

- **Revelation 6:15:17:** Kings, the powerful, the rich and those dwelling on earth (v15), call to the mountains and rocks saying, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?"

These verses are in the context of the four horses going forth, with death, war, famine, and pestilence, and of a great earthquake, the sun becoming black, the moon becoming like blood, stars falling to earth, the sky vanishing, and every mountain and island being removed from its place. These are very symbolic expressions, that highlight the following two things:

1. The great fear and terror that will come upon the inhabitants of the earth, as the terrors spoken of in this chapter come upon earth.
2. The dramatic political, financial, and governmental changes, and the dramatic changes that will take place in the climate, the weather, and the landscape when Christ returns in glory.

The statement, "kings of the earth, the great ones, the rich, the powerful and all others hide themselves in caves," denotes universal dismay, dread and fearful trepidation and alarm, as if the entire earth had been shaken, and the stars had fallen, and heaven had passed away. This alarm embraces all classes of people, and fills all dwelling on earth with fearful dread and alarm. Such graphic symbolic language expresses the idea that the crisis will be so widespread and horrific it will be as if the end of the world is coming.

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THE PEOPLE WILL SAY, MOUNTAINS FALL ON US, HILLS COVER US

- **Luke 23:30:** Then they (the inhabitants of Jerusalem) will begin to say to the mountains, "Fall on us," and to the hills, "Cover us."

These verses are in the context of Jesus being led away to be crucified, and of Jesus saying to women who were mourning and lamenting for him, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and your children, for the days are coming when they will say, to the mountains, "Fall on us," and to the hills, "Cover us." The terror, fear and dread of this event is so alarming that those dwelling on earth, seek to hide themselves in caves, and among rocks and on mountains.

CONCLUSION

The symbolism of the cry, "mountains fall on us, and hills cover us," are almost always in the context of God's wrath, and God's wrath is always in the context of Israel, becoming so corrupt and turning to idols, and of the

latter days, when the antichristian ten horn beast and his hordes come up against Jerusalem. It is a common expression used to express the people's utmost terror, dismay, dread, and fearful bewilderment, due to some enormous destructive event upon earth, as a result of God's wrath.

NOW THE GOOD NEWS

All those in Christ will be caught up to be with the Lord, before God's wrath is poured out upon our world:

- **1 Thessalonians 5:9-10:** God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰ who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him.

However, this does not mean we will be exempt, from trials and hardships, before the time of God's wrath, so until that glorious day of Christ's return, we are called to faithfully endure to the end, knowing whether we live or die, we will be with the Lord we love, and who loves us.

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