

The Number of Volcanic Eruptions Is Increasing and That Could Lead To an Extremely Cold Winter

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A note from Pastor Kevin Lea follows this article.

The number of volcanoes that are erupting continues to rise, and scientists cannot seem to explain why this is happening. In 2013, we witnessed the most volcanic eruptions worldwide that we have ever seen in a single year, and this increased activity has carried over into 2014.

In recent months, we have seen major volcanoes roar to life in Russia, Peru, Hawaii, Reunion Island, Indonesia, and all over Alaska. It is highly unusual for so many volcanoes to all be erupting at the same time. According to Volcano Discovery, a whopping 34 volcanoes are erupting around the globe right now. This is sending a massive amount of dust and ash into the upper atmosphere, and it may explain why many parts of the planet are experiencing strangely cold weather at the moment. If this trend continues, we could potentially be facing years of crop failures and widespread famines all over the world.

And what we have witnessed already may just be the beginning. There are several more very large volcanoes around the globe that scientists are extremely concerned about right now. For example, just check out what is going on in the Philippines ----->

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"It is very difficult to predict exactly what will happen with an eruption," says Monash University volcanologist Professor Ray Cas, who is president of the International Association for Volcanology and Chemistry of the Earth. Scientists tell us that over the last 10,000 years Bardarbunga has produced "more lava than any other volcano on the planet."

If we witness a full scale eruption at Bardarbunga, the cancellation of a few thousand flights may be the smallest of our concerns. The truth is that we might be looking at the coldest winter that any of us have ever seen in the northern hemisphere.

But don't just take my word for it. The following is from a British newspaper article entitled "Icelandic volcano could trigger Britain's coldest winter EVER this year"... ----->

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Tiny pieces of debris act as billions of shields reflecting the sun's light away from earth meaning winter temperatures could plunge LOWER THAN EVER before while summer will be devoid of sunshine.

The first effect could be a bitterly cold winter to arrive in weeks with thermometers plunging into minus figures and not rising long before next summer. If this did happen, there is nothing that we could do to change it. We would just have to deal with it.

This is a kind of "climate change" that everyone can agree on. It is well known that volcanic eruptions can substantially lower global temperatures. In fact, some global warming theorists are already blaming increased volcanic activity for why temperatures have not been rising in recent years...

"In the last decade, the amount of volcanic aerosol in the stratosphere has increased, so more sunlight is being reflected back into space," said lead author Benjamin Santer, climate scientist at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, in a press release. "This has created a natural cooling of the planet and has partly offset the increase in surface and atmospheric temperatures due to human influence."

But if Bardarbunga fully erupts, we could be looking at something a lot worse than a little "global cooling". We could potentially be facing winters that never seem to end. It has happened before in recorded history many times. The following list comes from Wikipedia...

To read this article in its entirety, go to:

<http://www.prophecynewswatch.com/2014/September24/243.html>

Note from Pastor Kevin Lea: *The first sentence of this article states, "The number of volcanoes that are erupting continues to rise, and scientists cannot seem to explain why this is happening." Why is it that volcanologists and seismologists cannot explain increasing volcanic and earthquake activity (which are related) when they have had years and billions of dollars to research their causes and determine how to predict them so that we can be warned in advance of the next "big one?"*

For decades, volcanologists have been trying to make observed data fit the evolutionary model, which states that that volcanoes result from magma in the earth's liquid core seeping upward through faults in the mantle and crust, ultimately erupting. They believe that this process has been going on for millions of years and will keep to

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an established, periodic pattern of eruption. However, as data accumulates, they find that the facts do not always support this model. They are without explanation.

Similarly, seismologists are also frequently surprised and shocked when actual crustal movements, earthquake intensities, and the fact that earthquakes in one area of the world can trigger other earthquakes thousands of miles away do not fit their preconceived evolutionary paradigm.

In February of 2012, I asked University of Washington geophysicist and seismologist Dr. Steve Malone the following question:

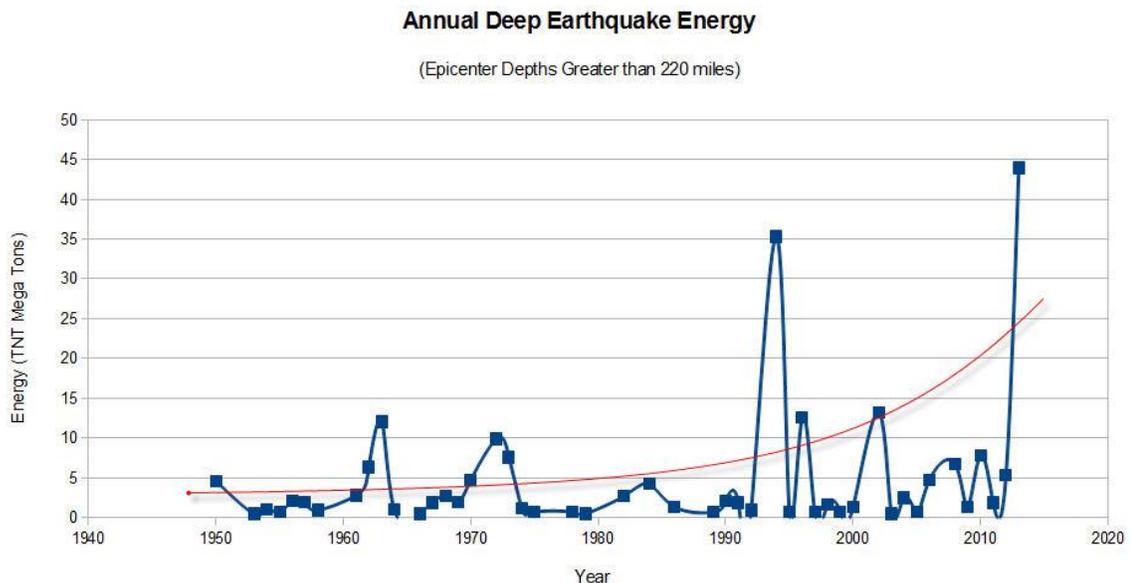
“Based on what we know about plate tectonics, is it possible that all major faults around the earth would rupture at the same time causing a global earthquake?”

Dr. Malone’s answer:

“There are a number of reasons why we don’t think this is a possibility, including: The world’s faults, including the circum-pacific seismic belt [Pacific Ring of Fire], are not contiguous at a scale where they can rip one to another. The stress distribution that could cause anything like this is never uniform enough to cause all or even many faults to go at the same time. We think about $M_w=9.5$ is about as big as an event can get; plenty big enough.”

But the Bible says that someday the earth **will** experience a global earthquake (Revelation 6, 16, and Isaiah 24, for example), and a judgment of fire upon the earth (2 Peter 3:7). If the current evolutionary frame of reference does not allow for a global fracturing of the Earth, explain significant increase in volcanic activity, and conflicts with much observed data, then we must discard that paradigm and find another that fits the data **and** the Bible.

Thankfully, there **is** an alternative theory that does explain the interrelation between crustal movements, earthquakes, volcanoes and how these can, have, and will affect earthquakes in other areas of the world. It also explains why the significant increase in deep earthquakes (greater than 220 miles) over the last few years is quite possibly the reason for the increased earthquake and volcanic activity that is now being observed.



Even within the last year the number of deep earthquakes has increase very significantly:

- Sept 5, 2010 – Sept 5, 2011 = 306 earthquakes, 14 above 6 magnitude
- Sept 5, 2011 – Sept 5, 2012 = 369 earthquakes, 7 above 6 magnitude
- Sept 5, 2012 – Sept 5, 2013 = 320 earthquakes, 9 above 6 magnitude
- Sept 5, 2013 – Sept 5, 2014 = 994 earthquakes, 9 above 6 magnitude

Source: USGS website, <http://www.usgs.gov/>. The graph depicts the total energy of all deep earthquakes (number and magnitude). The yearly data, September 2010-2014, are the numbers only.

The new alternative theory that explains these events is based on Dr. Walt Brown's Hydroplate Theory explanation for the flood of Noah.

I have produced two videos that provide a detailed and scientifically based explanation for these interrelations and why deep earthquakes are the key to understanding crustal movement and volcanic activity. You can watch them on YouTube or order the series in DVD format by going to Creationscience.com where you can purchase them from Dr. Brown's website for \$20.

To watch on YouTube: go to www.calvarypo.org, click on the YouTube icon and then click on the Earthquakes 2012 Update (one segment about 1.5 hours long). The 2012 Update explains why the March 11, 2011 Japan earthquake was so severe and why the ionosphere was perturbed shortly before the quake. You can also watch the 2010 version on YouTube: Part 1 (six ten-minute segments) and Part 2 (also six ten-minute segments).