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s long as the earth remains, seed time and harvest, winter and summer, day and night, days, weeks, months, and years shall not cease to be. These are non-human agents who help the humans to stay on track and focus on the chemistry of creation. To a considerable extent, the workings of some of these agents are predictable by man with the help of science. Nonetheless, and more often than not, scientific predictions fall short in determining which seed will germinate and which ones will not. The world in which we find ourselves is an extension of the original earth, which God created for the humans to take care of. Rather than taking care of the earth in which humans find themselves enveloped, we have chosen to tame it.

Taming the world could be a cheap possibility if only the world could be detached from the earth. Time is endless while man has a limited time to live. The purpose for which the humans were created was to replicate the glory of the creator on the earth by being able to creatively and constructively manage all that creation handed over to man. Surprisingly, since the time of creation, the non-human agents have not failed in discharging their duties. That does not mean they are created to be infallible. They are only created to conform and follow the established divine routine, and because they lack the will power that man is endowed with, they have kept strictly to their routine. They have not failed to show up. The

sun has not failed to discharges its duties. The moon and the stars are up and running, declaring the goodness of the Creator, and have remained a source of blessing to humanity.

Man has tried, by reason of the knowledge acquired which is called science, to tame the world, and to this end, his efforts have led to the problems we are confronted with today in the forms of rising sea levels, drought, wildfires, earthquakes, hurricanes and the like. These are the problems of rapid climate change. They are ongoing and unstoppable until drastic measures are taken to confront the problem.

We have different ideas that are scientific that are designed to confront the problem of rapid climate change. Lessons can be learned from this comparison between faith and hope. Faith only addresses what hope sees. Where hope cannot see, faith becomes inactive or powerless. The same thing applies to science, which to all purposes and intents, is the fear. The science has seen for the world the causes, the problems, and solutions to the effects of climate change.

What is yet to be discovered is more than what has been discovered. For instance, COVID-19, which took the whole world unawares, is yet to have its original source discovered, for the information given by the scientists who took their time to visit China at the instance of the World Health Organization (WHO) is not too good enough to explain why a disease that was orig-

inally meant to live with animals now became the world's problem leading to the loss of millions of lives of humans. The vaccine discovered was a blessing, but the problem of climate change is such that it will not permit humanity enough time to wait, for doing that is aggravating the problem and pushing forward the day of calamity.

It is not enough to explain the problems and solutions of climate change in totality without connecting them to sources beyond the earth. If the earth is messed up and deserves to be repaired, what happens to humans when they die? If the hope that the world runs with is limited to this earth, then man is utterly miserable. It does not make sense to have only an understanding of where you are without knowing where you came from and where you are going. This remains a challenge and a mystery to be unraveled by science.

It is not enough to understand the chemistry and functioning of the times and seasons. It is of more importance to know what to do at any given time. As we are face-to-face with the reality of the problems of climate change, it is incumbent also upon the world to look beyond the physical, for what we see is temporal and what we do not see is eternal.

Knowing what the problems and solutions are is not as good as knowing what ought to be done and doing it at the right time, which as far as climate change is concerned, is NOW!

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