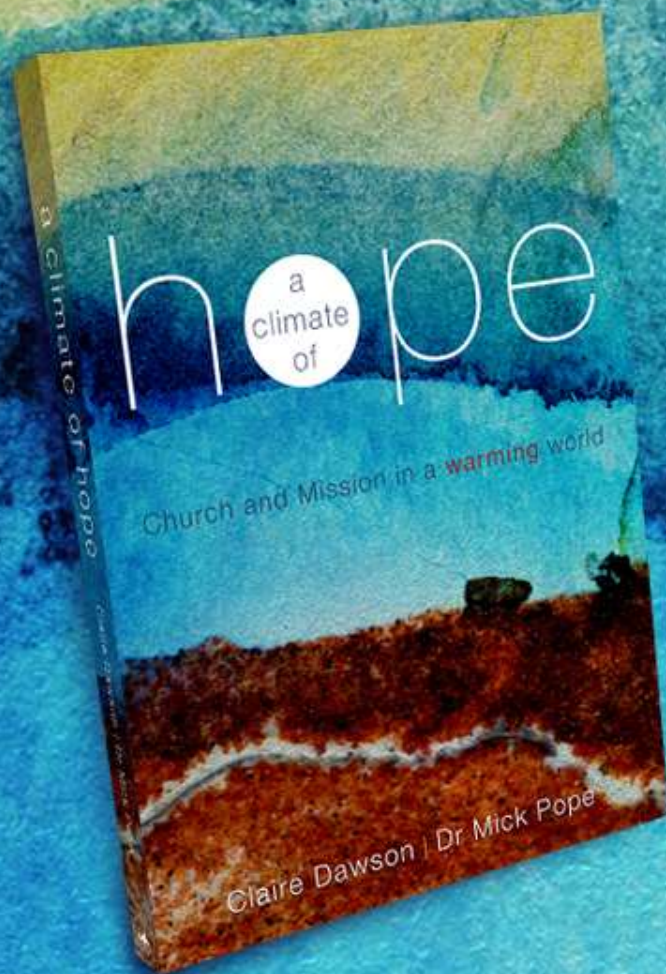


Being eco-prophets in a changing climate



a
climate
of
hope

Truth



“Usually, even a non-Christian knows something about the Earth, the heavens, and the other elements of this world, about the motion and orbit of the stars and even their size and relative positions ... it is a disgraceful and dangerous thing for an infidel to hear a Christian, presumably giving the meaning of Holy Scripture, talking nonsense on these topics; and we should take all means to prevent such an embarrassing situation, in which people show up vast ignorance in a Christian and laugh it to scorn.”



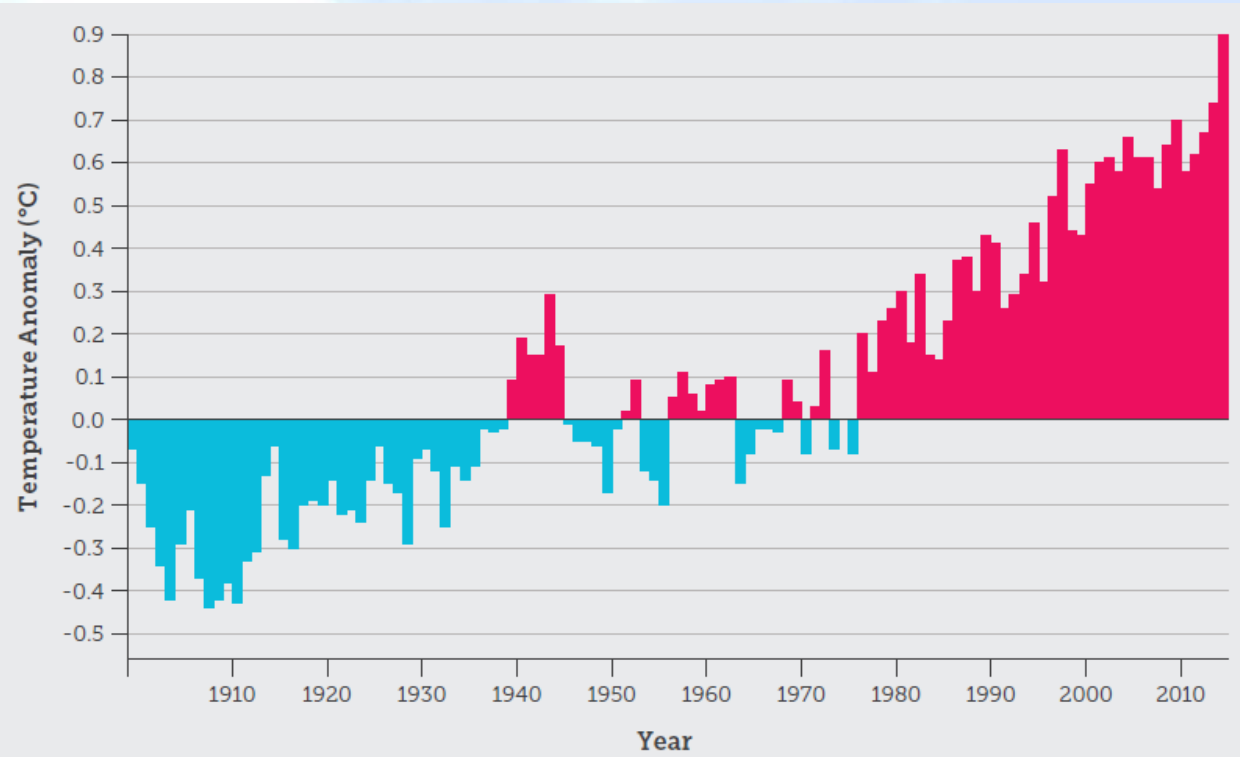
“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.” Ex 20:16

Theology & science

Theological
worldview



Is it warming?
Is it our fault?
Will it be bad?



The global average temperature for 2015 was 0.90°C above the 20th century average, eclipsing the previous record set in 2014 by 0.16°C .

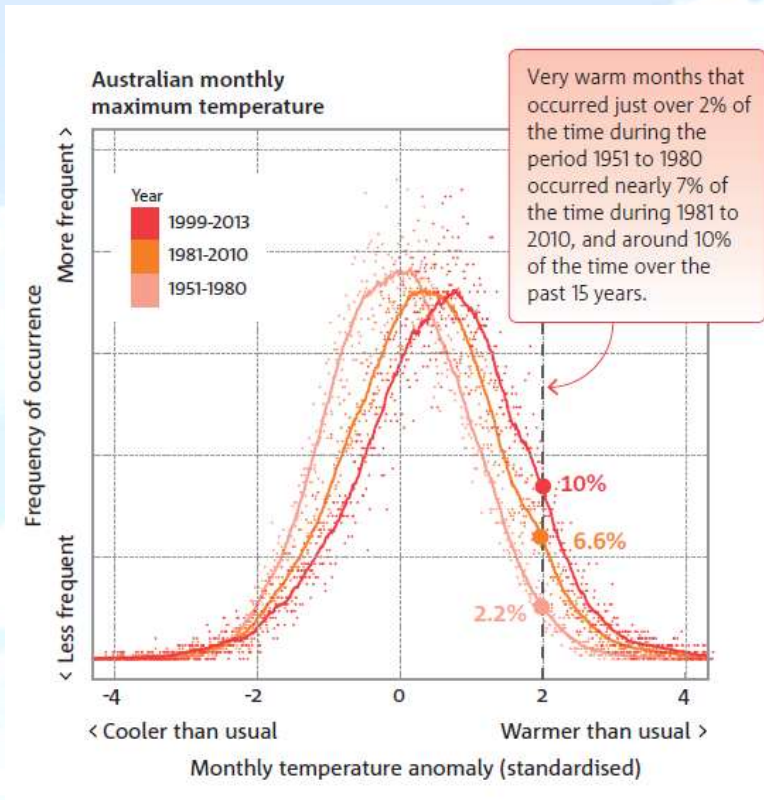
No one aged under 40 has lived in a year with global average temperatures at or below the global 20th century average.



Figure 6: A forest in Kersbrook, South Australia, following the January 2015 bushfires.

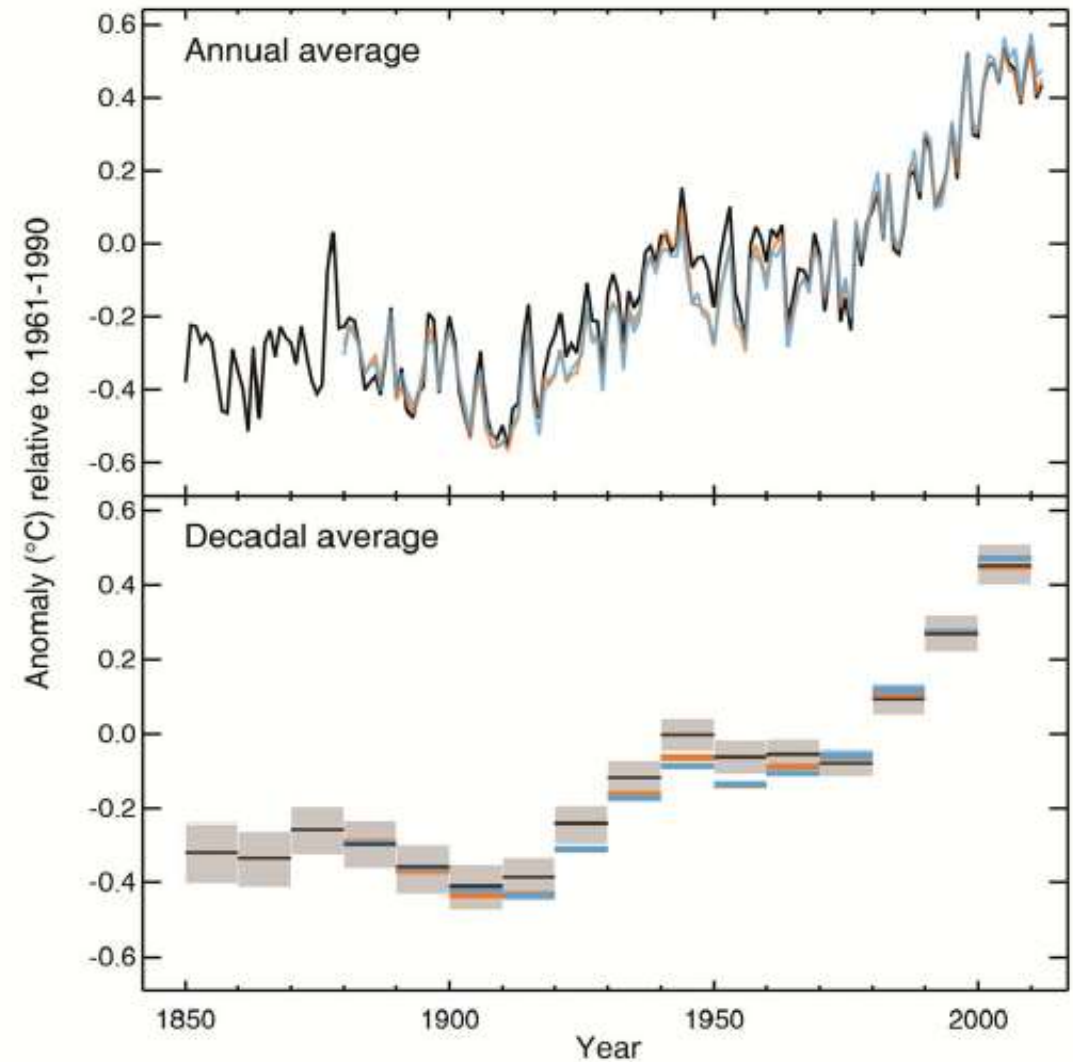
It is getting warmer!

- 3 independent datasets shown
- 4th (not shown) corroborates
- Interseasonal & decadal signals
- Causes of 'Pauses'

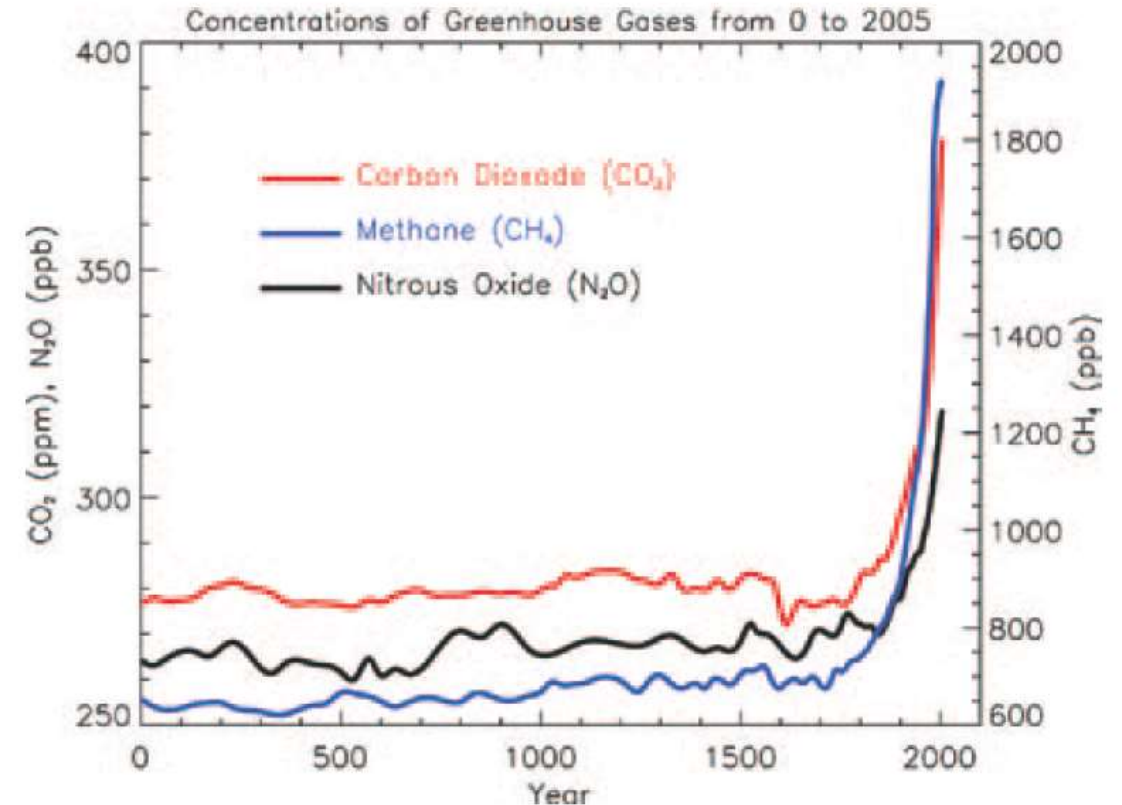
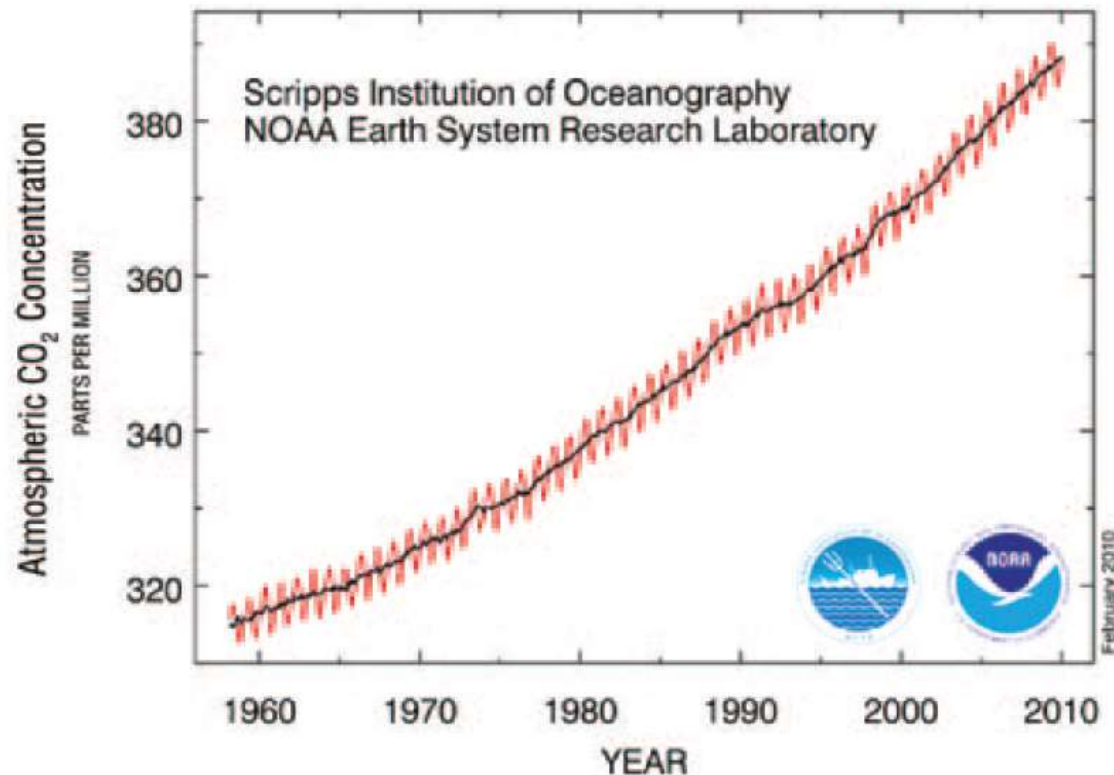


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Observed globally averaged combined land and ocean surface temperature anomaly 1850–2012

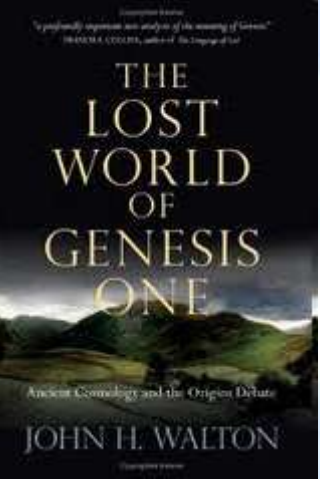


Records show CO_2 increasing since 1950s



Also seen in ocean acidity
40% increase since start of Industrial Revolution

"Global atmospheric concentrations of carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide ...now far exceed pre-industrial values determined from ice cores..". → At least 650,000 yrs

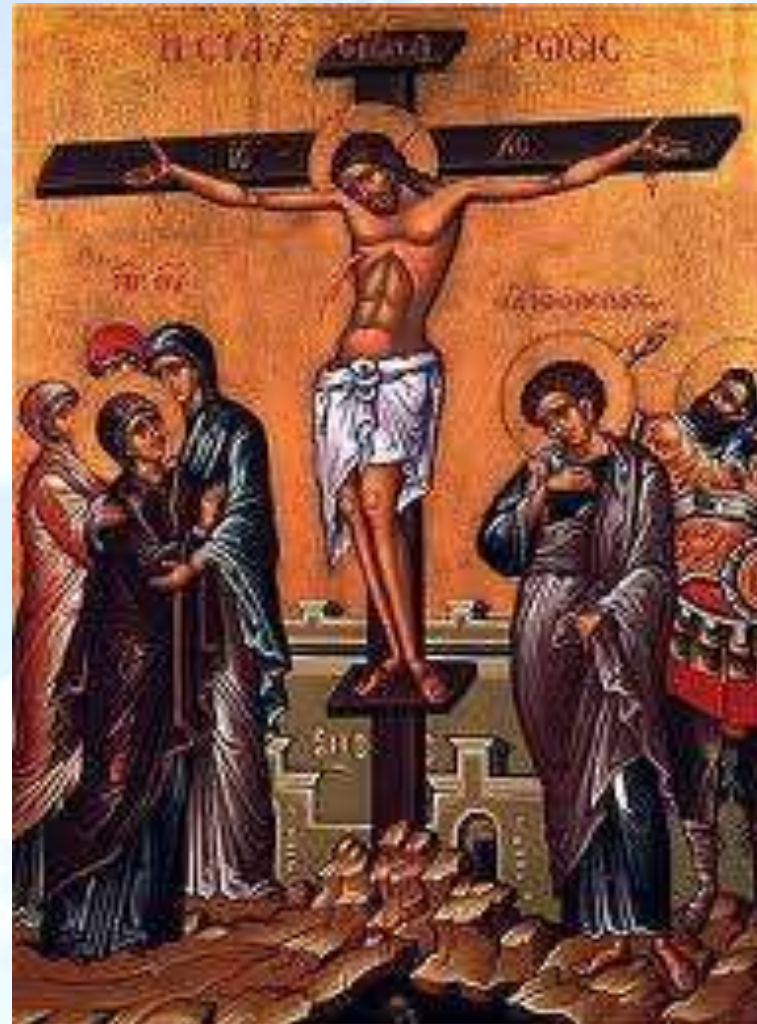


Creation as temple



- Temple – rest & Ps 132
- Exodus 39, 40 “Moses finished the work”
- Image
- Gen 2:15 as worship
- Demythologising
- Sacred/sacramental

Atonement



Creation has a future



Groans
for us

Worships

Hovered
over



Rules over

Groans
for our adoption



A God who loves justice



Being a prophetic church

- Prophetic **proclamation** - speaking truth to power
- Prophetic **presence** in protest
- Prophetic **practice** – divestment
- Prophetic **patience**



