

# Questions About Auroras and Other Celestial Events As Signs from God

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Pastor Ed - hello! We're watching you in Alaska. Could auroras be signs from God? Or end times? We had an unusual event take place last night while you preached on the Seven Plagues. It gave us all chills. See the photo attached. Thoughts?



## Answer:

That's a thoughtful and timely question — especially as auroras (northern and southern lights) have been seen more widely around the world in recent years. Many people are wondering if these breathtaking lights could be **signs from God** or even **signals of the end times**.

Let's look at this carefully — both **biblically** and **scientifically** — and see how these ideas can coexist under God's truth.

## 1. What Are Auroras — Scientifically?

Auroras occur when **charged solar particles** from the sun collide with **Earth's magnetic field** and atmosphere.

These collisions excite gases (mostly oxygen and nitrogen), producing glowing ribbons of color — green, red, purple, blue — that dance in the sky.

- The Bible doesn't mention auroras by name, but it does affirm that **the heavens declare the glory of God** (Psalm 19:1).

- Auroras are not random; they are part of **God's created natural order**, like lightning, rainbows, or earthquakes.

So in one sense, auroras are **scientifically natural**, yet **spiritually meaningful** — because all creation testifies to the majesty of its Creator.

## 2. Could Auroras Be “Signs in the Heavens”?

The Bible says that before the return of Jesus, there will indeed be “**signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars**” (Luke 21:25).

These cosmic signs serve as **reminders** that the world's history is moving toward a divine climax — not random chaos.

However, Scripture also warns us **not to mistake every natural event for a specific apocalyptic sign**.

Jesus said:

“You will hear of wars and rumors of wars... see that you are not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.”— *Matthew 24:6*

Auroras themselves are not mentioned in prophecy. But they can still **stir the conscience** — reminding humanity of its smallness, God's vastness, and His coming glory.

## 3. Signs Have Always Had Dual Meaning

Throughout Scripture, **natural phenomena** often carried both physical and spiritual meaning:

Event	Natural Explanation	Spiritual Message
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Rainbow (Genesis 9:13)	Light refracted through moisture	God's covenant never to destroy the earth by flood
Pillar of fire (Exodus 13:21)	Supernatural light	God's presence guiding Israel
Star of Bethlehem (Matthew 2:2)	Astronomical sign	Herald of Christ's birth
Darkness at the Cross (Luke 23:44–45)	Cosmic event	Sign of judgment and redemption

So yes — **God can use auroras** (and any aspect of creation) as reminders of His power and beauty. But the meaning depends not on the light itself — rather, on **how our hearts respond**.

#### 4. The End-Time Context

End-time prophecies in Scripture (Matthew 24, Revelation 6, Joel 2, Luke 21) describe **dramatic cosmic events** — the darkening of the sun, the moon turning red, stars falling from heaven, and powers of the heavens shaken.

These are not ordinary auroras, but **world-changing cosmic signs** connected to Jesus' return.

Still, auroras may serve as a **gentle preview**, awakening us to watchfulness:

“When you see these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.”— *Luke 21:28*

#### 5. How We Should Respond

Instead of fear, let every display of heaven's light remind us of the **glory and mercy of God**:

- Let the **beauty of auroras** remind you that the Creator still reigns.
- Let the **awe of the heavens** stir repentance and readiness for Christ's return.
- Let your **heart be lighted** not by earthly wonders, but by the **Light of the World** (John 8:12).

## Summary

Question	Biblical Understanding
Are auroras supernatural?	No — they are part of God’s natural creation.
Could they have spiritual meaning?	Yes — they testify to God’s majesty and can remind us of His promises.
Are they specific end-time signs?	Not directly — but they can awaken us to the reality that the end is near.
How should we respond?	With worship, awe, and readiness for Jesus’ return.

## Final Reflection

“And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.” — *Joel 2:30*

When the heavens glow, it’s as if God is **whispering through the sky**:

*“I am still here. Look up. The story is not finished.”*

So whether auroras appear or the sky darkens — let your heart remain fixed on the greater light:

**Jesus Christ**, the true Aurora of eternity, whose glory will one day fill all the heavens.