Posted by ohmybad on Tue, 24 Feb 2004 22:04:49 GMT

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http://www.lifeaftertheoilcrash.net/Home.html

Check it out.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by DragonFg on Tue, 24 Feb 2004 23:13:26 GMT

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Wow, that's some serious stuff. Everybody knows it was going to happen anyway, but I didn't think it was this soon. I had my ideas about why we really went to Iraq to fight, and now it seems controlling Middle Eastern oil was a big reason. It seems we can only blame humanity itself for generating such a great dependance on oil. As for a solution.....I haven't got a clue.

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Posted by SuperFlyingEngi on Fri, 27 Feb 2004 18:34:33 GMT

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Actually, to conserve the use of oil and other fossil fuels, an insanely imple solution is available.

Step 1: Run water pipes right below your roof

Step 2: Have a flat black roof

This process both heats water for free and keeps one's house insulated. If everyone in America had this renovation to their house it would greatly reduce the dependancy on the U.S.

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Posted by warranto on Fri, 27 Feb 2004 19:57:54 GMT

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Not possible in places where you get a lot of snow and/or cold temperatures. The flat roof would collaps under the weight of a heavy snowfall, and with the water pipes running right below the roof, there is a greater chance of them freezing.

Great idea if none of the above applies though.

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Posted by DBB on Fri, 27 Feb 2004 20:21:23 GMT

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:rolleyes:

were all dead in 2012 anyways.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by MrBob on Sat, 28 Feb 2004 00:57:57 GMT

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Yes, the world will someday end. However, as the scriptures say, but buttocks will be outta here by then.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by Blazer on Sat, 28 Feb 2004 01:04:53 GMT

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DragonFgI had my ideas about why we really went to Iraq to fight, and now it seems controling Middle Eastern oil was a big reason.

Don't tell me you are one of those "we invaded Iraq to steal their oil" foolios. Tell me, if we took over Iraq to steal their oil, then where is the oil? Are we building a pipeline? Are we loading up tankers of it and bringing it here? :rolleyes:

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by setstyle on Sun, 07 Mar 2004 16:14:58 GMT

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The scriptures aren't very reputable.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by Javaxcx on Sun, 07 Mar 2004 16:48:16 GMT

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It is a serious problem that needs to be addressed. As that page says, it's alot like the action on how a story is written.

We started really not to long ago relying on oil as a primary fuel source, so it was really inexpensive back then when it was in abundance and fairly easy to obtain. As we got more of it, it just got cheaper, so we used MORE of it -- and thrived. I agree with the author in that we've already passed the climax of this "story" and are starting to receed. Oil will get scarser, and the cost will increase. As the cost becomes so high, that only the very rich can maintain it, supply and

demand will cause simple products like lumber, steel, and plastics to shoot up DRASTICALLY. People will simply not be able to afford basic things that we take for granted now.

It soon will get to a point where we cannot produce affordable electrocity (if we keep blindly thinking that we have an unlimited amount of petrolium) for the entire world (yes, the US isn't the ONLY country out there). When this happens, you'll find you won't have heat one day, then you won't have food, then ultimately, you won't even have clean water -- or water pressure to run your taps for that matter.

I think it's pretty obvious what will happen if all of the above happen in a short time span.

As the author stated, while alternative energy methods can both lower the dependancy on oil, they cannot replace the things such as oil lubricants, plastics, and what not. While I know oil makes a good lubricant, I think a plausible alternative to using oil-based lubricants is to use something basic. For those of you who know anything about Chemistry, bases are slippery. Whether or not they're work for lubrication, I don't know.

Another major factor is time. What was it, 16 years at BEST? Thats not nearly enough time to produce massive amounts of alternative energies... and thats assuming the world finally clues in that this issue NEEDS to be addressed... NOW. I personally get the feeling that people won't clue in till well after it's too late. I'm talking not 5 or 6 years before oil becomes infeasible.

While I don't believe America invaded Iraq for the oil, (which may or may not remain to be seen), Iraq's oil is only a temperary solution. It is far more likely that America will sign an oil contract between the "new Iraq" and themselves to mine and export oil overseas, which sounds a bit more realistic. Again, a temperary solution. Once people see oil flowing in again, they're totally forget that it is STILL in limitted supply.

Of course, I can think of a number of alternative energy plans: Geothermal (which wasn't mentioned on the author's page), oceanic "water wheels", even solar cells installed onto suburban homes to produce energy for the home and releave some of the dependancy on the local power facilities. While I'm sure it doesn't take 16 years to install generators into people's roofs, or mine deep enough to create a geothermic vent, I don't see people doing en masse unless it's appealing to them, and their budgets.

In all likelyhood, something probably will not be done. People nowaday's conform to what is here and now, and almost never heed warnings. How many people do you see littering daily, even though they know they are hurting the earth? People are buying more cars now than ever, less public transit and so on. I don't know if it's arrogence, but if thats the trend and the way it's going, the only people you'll see not going through DRASTIC change in not 20 years, are those who live off the land.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by cheesesoda on Mon, 15 Mar 2004 20:14:47 GMT

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Maybe the whole world is gonna fight against Jesus because He wants the oil because they are running out of it in Heaven. Maybe that is what the Apocalypse is about. And the Anti-Christ is actually a really nice guy who only wants to give oil to everybody and that's why God is gonna destroy him.

Read the book of Revelation, I'm pretty sure that the world is gonna end some other way than lack of oil. Scriptures are the most important documents ever written. They are never wrong and have been proven correct time after time. Where else can you have many different authors who lived at different times in history (hundreds of years between each other) and have none of them conflict with each other's writings. You can't even do that with Christian books now-a-days.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by Javaxcx on Mon, 15 Mar 2004 20:43:14 GMT

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Its fairly easy to say that a prophecy has come true after the matter of fact. I think it's a bit more realistic to assume that instead of the world being destoried by these 7 plagues of the apocolypse, (which have the idea that they will sever the earth in 3rds every which way) that we'll hit a major oil crisis and go into mad resession. Now THATS been proven time and time again. Resession --> Depression --> bad living conditions.

Of course, depression can return to prosparity... but again, what happened in the 30's? Oh thats right. WAR kicked the world out of the depression. Only this time, the war will be with knives and sticks because we can't get the fuel for the tanks.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by IRON FART on Mon, 15 Mar 2004 23:41:07 GMT

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If people would just switch to using renewable energy, things would be easier. And the fossil fuel supply would stretch out longer.

I know there are quite a few locations where renewable energy is generated and available.

There are some large supplyers in Colorado i believe. South of England, wind is being utilized. And same here in S. Cali.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by Javaxcx on Tue, 16 Mar 2004 03:11:25 GMT

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While thats all well and good: Do you think the entire world will click on when you say "We have an oil issue and we'll only have X number of years before we run out of easily-obtainable oil?" I sure hope they do, but chances are, they won't.

Renewable energy sources are a great way to solve the issue, but look at the costs, the amount of energy being produced, and the restrictions on obtaining that energy. Solar power, for example, is cut off by a cloudy day! Again: Time and attitude are the major factors. By the time people clue in, it'll be too late to produce these energy sources on a grande enough scale as to keep the world powered up.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by Nukelt15 on Tue, 16 Mar 2004 14:46:54 GMT

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Maybe, maybe not- there are war machines which do not require petroleum to function- guns, various demolition charges, anti-armor rockets, nuclear ships...ICBM's. If a country cannot use its armor and air power, it is not likely to risk its troops without that support. Long range ballistic missiles don't have that problem, and don't need oil in order to function. The war after this projected oil crash is likely to go nuclear- that is, if that doesn't happen before we run out of oil-then there will be plenty to go around.

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Posted by Javaxcx on Tue, 16 Mar 2004 15:24:36 GMT

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Ah yes, but you forget: It takes both electrosity and oil to maintain the machine that produce all those things. Sure the US has a stock of them right now, but that will run out long before the oil crisis is over and done with.

Also, about the troops: I think you'll find that drastic times call for drastic measures. :\

Posted by IRON FART on Wed, 17 Mar 2004 00:35:31 GMT

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I don't expect the whole world to suddenly switch to renewable energy, but countries really need to start to make the transition. The less we rely on fossil fuels, the softer the blow will be when we run out.

I don't expect to live long enough to ever see the whole world powered by renewable energy, but thats how its going to have to be when we run out of oil, gas and coal.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by Javaxcx on Wed, 17 Mar 2004 01:40:45 GMT

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Unless you're 70 years old, chances are you're going to be around for the "transition".

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by SuperFlyingEngi on Wed, 17 Mar 2004 01:46:29 GMT

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And the solution is so simple. Just utilize that fusion furnace, the sun. Once humans take advantage of that, bang, problems go away. However, it will take an enormous amount of implementation to get the world to rely on the sun for power.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by cheesesoda on Wed, 17 Mar 2004 03:11:00 GMT

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the solution is even simpler than that...live the way we already are. We're not gonna run out of resources. We "seem" to be running low on certain...but it's just paranoid scientists tryin to be cautious. the world will be destroyed by supernatural forces (aka THE Revelation) instead of us running out of resources.

Posted by Javaxcx on Wed, 17 Mar 2004 03:26:10 GMT

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Thats a pretty radical superstition, and I doubt those "paranoid scientists" give it much thought when there is actually a more pressing issue at hand than sitting idly by while these horsemen of the apocolypse bide their time.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by Ferhago on Thu, 18 Mar 2004 19:45:53 GMT

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Boy im sure glad to be one of the big picture kind of people.

So far all im hearing is. EVERYONE WILL DIE IN AN UNDETERMINED AMOUNT OF TIME.

But who knows maybe im being selectively ignorant. Hey it works wonders when you dont care about stuff you are happier.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by NHJ BV on Fri, 19 Mar 2004 11:32:59 GMT

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There's quite still some oil in what's-it-called-in-english, I think tarsands. At the moment, however, its quite expensive to refine, but as the prices will rise there's still enough there for several decennia. Then there's coal: enough for a few centuries. Renewable energy sources aren't by far developed enough to take over the role of fossil fuels anytime soon.

I don't think any of us will see the end of fossil fuels and the complete takeover of renewable energy.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by Javaxcx on Fri, 19 Mar 2004 12:10:54 GMT

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Obtaining of any of that so-called "savior oil" won't do much good other than prolong the inevitible. Just watch and see: People will BEGIN to realize there is an issue, then when another source of oil is found to sustain them for 10 more years, they won't go apeshit over trying to find alternatives until the last minute... again.

Read the article again: He says that coal gives off way too much pollution to be used on a grander world-wide scale. If coal could be refined NOT to give off as much pollution, well, who knows.

Posted by KIRBY098 on Fri, 19 Mar 2004 13:22:42 GMT

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The end result is all things come to an end. The oil WILL run out. There's no if about it.

How prepared will we be when that happens? I was reading today that SHELL is in big trouble for overstating thier ready reserves for the last two years. Hmmmm, I wonder why....

It's coming. How ready will we be?

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by setstyle on Mon, 22 Mar 2004 23:53:03 GMT

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What... didn't Shell read their scriptures?

Gees.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by NHJ BV on Tue, 23 Mar 2004 12:50:14 GMT

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You're right about that, I'm just saying that there's still quite some fossil fuels for the next while. I completely agree that reneweable energy sources should be looked into and developed (further).

JavaxcxRead the article again: He says that coal gives off way too much pollution to be used on a grander world-wide scale. If coal could be refined NOT to give off as much pollution, well, who knows.

Coal-based powerplants are, just like solar energy, slowly being made more efficient. Coal still pollutes a heck of a lot, but I think the world has no other choice than to use coal energy on a large scale when oil is no more, because reneweable energy can't possibly comply with the world's growing energy demands anytime soon. Nuclear energy might be a solution, but many people (myself somewhat included) have reservations about that.

Nuclear fission, however, could be the energy source of the future, as it produces less nuclear waste than regular nuclear powerplants (nuclear splitting, or what's it called). Scientists have already succeeded in a 0% output, which is more than a negative value (meaning process doesn't actually cost power anymore, now input and output are the same). If they could succeed in actualy

getting power out of it, then it could prove very useful.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by YSLMuffins on Sun, 28 Mar 2004 00:16:34 GMT

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Nuclear fission is the splitting of atoms; fusion is when atoms gain neutrons and become a heavier isotope, so in the way it's the opposite of fission. Which do you mean?

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Posted by M1Garand8 on Tue, 30 Mar 2004 08:59:43 GMT

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He meant Nuclear Fusion but Nuclear Fusion requires a high temperature for it to work. It takes about 35k degrees celsius for Nuclear Fusion to work unless Cold Fusion technology is available.

Subject: oil

Posted by [BA]RANGER on Sun, 18 Apr 2004 14:30:23 GMT

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scientist have been wrong on many things look how some people say we are running out of forests but the percentages are still higher then they ever have been. I served in Iraq and just came back recently and i dont ever remember pumping for oil. I remember going after guys that are willing to kill americans. There are alot of them out there. So to all of you that want to attack my commander and chief. You should server your time in the military and watch your buddies die next to you. All of them were willing to make America safe for there friends and family. while you guys worry on wether we are taking there oil or not. The united States did the right thing trust me, but i can promise you this. Sure we might get money or even oil from them but economicaly right now we are supporting that country. In the village i was in, in iraq your government forked a million dollars a month into. you want to know the population of that village. It was small. small enough we might not even consider it a small town and give it a post office. Trust me america has bigger problems then just oil. we have reserves of it in alaska that tree huggers wont let us tap. Well thats my view point on the matter take it or leave it.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by Javaxcx on Sun, 18 Apr 2004 18:50:46 GMT

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Taking Iraq's oil is irrelivant. The fact remains that oil is a non-renewable resource that we are just twidling away. We are so reliant on oil that when it does run out, we won't have a contingincy plan; and THAT is the issue.

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Posted by Nukelt15 on Mon, 19 Apr 2004 00:27:57 GMT

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Oil may not be such a massive problem for transportation as it seems- alternative fuels that can use similar/the same engines are already a possibility.

Certain alcohols can be used in most of the cars on the road today...that is, if you convert a few of the hoses to different materials(metal tubing rather than rubber hoses). Much cleaner, more efficient energy, and easy to produce- anyone and their mother in law can make moonshine.

Hydrogen, also, could be used, with a few alterations in car design- either in fuel cells or internal combustion. That has the added bonus of being storable in much greater quantities and in much smaller tanks, since it is in gas form. The big problem with that is you need electricity to separate water molecules, since water is pretty much our only source of hydrogen.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by EnderGate on Mon, 19 Apr 2004 05:15:38 GMT

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Man, alternative solutions are only being held back by the oil men.

Check this out...

http://xogen.ca/xogen.wmv

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by M1Garand8 on Mon, 19 Apr 2004 12:49:27 GMT

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I don't know if this oil might work, I read up on palm oil (learnt that on my Pure Geography lessons) and found out that palm oil has a market in petroleum and this makes me wonder that maybe palm oil, one day, could totally replace crude oil.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by Nukelt15 on Mon, 19 Apr 2004 19:24:21 GMT

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Money = Power, and oil companies have large quantities of both.

I'll bet anyone in here \$50 that every oil company on the globe already has a backup plan for when the petroleum runs out. Until that happens, they want people buying oil- supply and demand. The less there is, the more people will pay for it. Thus, the oil companies make more money as their supply of oil gets smaller and smaller. Until, of course, there isn't any left, at which

point they'll turn to alternative fuel sources that can be controlled and limited. Since, like I said, any dumb inbred moron can brew up some alcohol, they'll probably go to hydrogen instead, since not as many people can produce that themselves.

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by MrBob on Mon, 19 Apr 2004 19:44:50 GMT

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Why are people trying so hard to save a world which has already been doomed to destruction?

Subject: Scary Stuff

Posted by Nukelt15 on Tue, 20 Apr 2004 23:12:02 GMT

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Quite possibly because no one on the planet right now will be alive in several billion years, when the sun goes into its red giant phase.

No need to bring religion into a discussion about the aftermath of a worldwide oil crisis, is there?