A blazing fireball that streaked across the skies of the northern hemisphere was spotted by hundreds of people on Thursday night. Police received a number of emergency calls after locals reported hearing a distant 'boom'. Witnesses reported seeing an object flying across the sky emitting a brilliant light. The space rock glowed a number of different colours as it came down, and it lit up the sky as it began to disintegrate in the atmosphere. Thursday's sighting was unique in that the incident was also recorded on police camera. Astronomers believe the meteorite could have weighed around 1 to 10 tonnes, and that fragments of the rock might have fallen close to the Alberta-Saskatchewan border.

Quote: *"More than 400 people reported seeing the object, said Alan Hildebrand, co-ordinator of the Canadian Fireball Reporting Centre at the University of Calgary. This is by a large margin a record response and it was a tremendous help in narrowing down the fall area, he added. The scientist estimates the rock that hurtled into the atmosphere likely weighed between one and ten tons. Such large fireballs are rare, he said, with only a couple streaking over Canadian skies a year. "This is literally a billion watt bulb in the sky," he said. "That doesn't happen every day. This thing was illuminating the ground over hundreds of kilometres."*

Astronomers recently called for increased funding to be spent on asteroid detection , after an asteroid was discovered to be on a collision course with Earth. Although Thursday's meteor may have posed no danger to life on Earth, astronomers fear it may be only a matter of time before mankind is faced with a significant threat. The prophecy of Revelation foretells of a coming day when a meteorite the size of a mountain will enter earth's atmosphere. Fragments of the object may come down on Mediterranean sea area, causing much devastation as a result. The news media reported today that scientists are debating as to whether a massive meteor strike could have caused a massive
tsunami
in Hudson bay over 2300 years ago. But the Bible predicts that such a scenario will reoccur during the tribulation period, when a meteor will come down on the sea and a third of sea life will be wiped out. A third of shipping will also be destroyed by the tsunami that will ensue.

Revelation 8:7-9
The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up. And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood; And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed.

This event is also unique, in that God has warned us about it in advance, so that men might have an opportunity to repent of their sins and turn to Him for salvation. People may blame God for the unfortunate things that befall them, but man bears the ultimate responsibility. It is our sin that has made this world the way it is today. We only have ourselves to blame. I remember people saying, "Where was God in the Asian Tsunami?", when 250,000 lost their lives. I'll tell you where God was. He was on the cross suffering for our sins, so sinful man could have eternal life in heaven. Former British Prime Minister Winston Churchill once said of the war, *"Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few"*. Never in human history was so much owed by so many to One Man. Jesus Christ gave His life for yours, so you could go free. He died for you. Trust in Him for salvation today.

Ecclesiastes 8:8
There is no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither hath he power in the day of death: and there is no discharge in that war; neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it.

Job 33:24
Then he is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found a ransom.