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DISCOVERY CHANNEL EXPLORES THE EXTREME STRATEGIES OF THOSE PREPARING FOR THE END IN 'APOCALYPSE PREPPERS'

-One Hour Special Aired Thursday, October 17 at 9PM ET/PT-

Los Angeles, CA – What do maple syrup, bentonite clay and toilet water have in common? They could all possibly be our saving grace once the apocalypse hits. In Discovery Channel's **APOCALYPSE PREPPERS**, which premieres Thursday, October 17 at 9PM ET/PT, viewers will learn about the mind-boggling ways that preppers are gearing up for all hell to break loose, by developing unique ways to sustain their lives when the world begins to crumble. According to preppers and some scientists, it's no longer a question of if the world will end, but when.

APOCALYPSE PREPPERS takes a look at the lives of those who employ survival strategies based on three different apocalyptic theories:

- **The Black Plague:** A disease of healthy people, the dreaded Black Plague once wiped out a third of Europe's population in the 1340s. Some fear this rapidly fatal illness will not only spread naturally but that it will be used as intentional "biological warfare." Between infected flea bites, skin turning black and open sores, this disease progresses aggressively within a quick 72 hour time frame. See how some plan on resorting to a medieval way of life to avoid a societal breakdown, as most believe antibiotics won't be enough.
- **Alien Invasion:** Some believe that if aliens have the capacity to reach us, they will have the means to destroy us. Between UFO sightings and recent communication between Earth and other planets, the existence of extraterrestrial beings is gradually becoming more acceptable. How will those who await their arrival plan to survive when hospitals close? How far will they go for food and shelter? Viewers will even see the extreme methods preppers engage in to modify their appearances in hopes of confusing the enemy.

- **Robot Rebellion:** Some believers think we will be the masters of our own demise once robots prove to surpass the intelligence of humans. They'll have minds of their own, making 30-40 percent of decisions without human control. What they won't possess, however, is human judgment or the ability to distinguish an enemy from a comrade. Learn how some plan to defend against robots when they believe technology is no longer on their side, which includes going back to basics with home-made weapons and hideaway fortresses.

APOCALYPSE PREPPERS is produced for Discovery Channel by Firecracker Films. For Firecracker, Executive Producers are Mark Soldinger and Mike Warner. For Discovery Channel, Executive Producer is Sean Boyle with Tara Hunter as Coordinating Producer.

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