

It Might Be Today

Nano, Nano

We like every week to bring what we call a Prophecy Update. We show how news and trends in the world are corroborating centuries-old prophecies found in the Bible.

The mark of the beast was introduced by the apostle John when he wrote the Revelation of Jesus Christ in the first century. It is some sort of mark on your hand or forehead by which people living in the Tribulation will conduct all commerce. They won't be able to buy or sell anything without this mark.

The global economic system involving this mark will already be in place before the world leader we call the antichrist comes to power. He will hijack the system and demand to be worshipped.

Ours is the generation that has seen the development of the kind of individual cashless technology predicted by the Bible. It not only exists but it is being utilized more-and-more, both voluntarily and involuntarily.

The latest step towards a cashless society was announced on March 18th by Rice University in a web article titled, *Nano-based RFID tag, you're it.*¹

Excerpts:

Long lines at store checkouts could be history if a new technology created in part at Rice University comes to pass.

Rice researchers, in collaboration with a team led by Gyou-jin Cho at Suncheon National University in Korea, have come up with an inexpensive, printable transmitter that can be invisibly embedded in packaging. It would allow a customer to walk a cart full of groceries or other goods past a scanner on the way to the car; the scanner would read all items in the cart at once, total them up and charge the customer's account while adjusting the store's inventory.

¹ <http://www.media.rice.edu/media/NewsBot.asp?MODE=VIEW&ID=13899&SnID=154992879>

What will read the RFID signal as you pass by the scanner? Maybe it's the national ID card that senators are pushing for!

In a March 18th article cnet.news ran an article titled, *Senators push Obama for biometric national ID card.*²

Excerpts:

Two U.S. senators met with President Obama on Thursday to push for a national ID card with biometric information such as a fingerprint, hand scan, or iris scan that all employers would be required to verify.

... Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.) and Lindsey Graham (R-S.C.) say the new identification cards will "ensure that illegal workers cannot get jobs" and "dramatically decrease illegal immigration."

Schumer and Graham pitched the idea to President Obama during a private meeting Thursday at the White House. Graham said afterward that Obama "welcomed" their proposal for a new ID card law; the White House said in a statement that the senators' plan was "promising."

I think we all realize that this is where commerce is heading. Right now we have smart cards or some such thing that can be scanned, whether actively by swiping it or passively as we are in proximity to an RFID reader. Eventually everyone will be fitted with some sort of ink or chip on the hand or forehead.

I remind you that although we follow the fulfillment of Bible prophecy, we are not waiting for any prophecy to be fulfilled. Jesus promised to return to resurrect and rapture the church as an imminent event. Nothing needs to be fulfilled before the Lord can return for us. We are only waiting for Him - and His coming is always imminent.

Get ready, stay ready, keep looking up. ***Ready or not, Jesus is coming!***

² http://news.cnet.com/8301-13578_3-20000758-38.html?part=rss&subj=news&tag=2547-1_3-0-20