It Might Be Today

BELIEVE Biometric Social Security Card

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.

This week I want to talk about the movement toward mandatory human microchipping.

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 the hand or forehead by which people living in the future period of time called Tribulation will conduct all commerce. They won't be able to buy or sell anything without this mark.

Ours is the generation that has seen the development of the technology to put a chip under your skin or to tattoo you with a kind of invisible ink that can be read from a distance by a scanner.

While most people remain opposed to any mandatory chipping or tattooing, and while there are laws on the books against it, less invasive technologies are setting the stage for the inevitable future.

We've already reported that Senators Schumer and Graham want biometrics as part of immigration reform. This week more information was made available about exactly what they have in mind.

SecureIDNews.com, on May 3rd, posted a story titled, *Democrats: BELIEVE in Biometric Social Security Cards*.[1]

Excerpts:

There are varying reports on whether immigration reform will be discussed in Congress in 2010, but if it is addressed one aspect that will likely be included is a biometric Social

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[1] http://www.secureidnews.com/2010/05/03/democrats-believe-in-biometrics-social-security-cards

Security card for employment verification. Dubbed Biometric Enrollment, Locally-stored Information, and Electronic Verification of Employment, or BELIEVE, the card would be required to verify permanent residence when starting a new job.

The Democrat-sponsored proposal would have the Social Security Administration issuing biometric cards 18 months after the law is passed. "These cards will be fraud-resistant, tamper-resistant, wear resistant, and machine-readable social security cards containing a photograph and an electronically coded micro-processing chip which possesses a unique biometric identifier for the authorized card-bearer," states the conceptual proposal for immigration reform.

When verifying employment eligibility the card would be inserted into a reader, the cardholder would present the biometric for matching against the template stored on the card and it would either match or not match. The proposal doesn't specify which biometric technology would be used with the system.

The federal government would be required to use the system as the sole employment verification system within three years after enactment and federal contractors will be required to use the system within four years after the date of enactment. Within five years, the card would serve as the sole acceptable document to be produced by an employee to an employer for employment verification purposes.

Commenting on the story in the Washington Post, Ezra Klein wrote,

The Democrats' immigration-reform proposal[2] is 26 pages long. Pages 8 through 18 are devoted to "ending illegal employment through biometric employment verification." I don't think the Democrats are going to like me calling this a biometric national ID card, as they go to great lengths to say that it is not a national ID card... But it's still a biometric national ID card. It's handed out by the Social Security Administration and employers are required to check it when hiring new employees. Essentially, if you want to participate in the American economy, [you will] need this card.[3]

We are trending toward a national ID card. So are most other countries. At some point you won't be able to work, or conduct business, without the ID. All of it involves some sort of biometric technology. Eventually it makes sense to replace the chipped cards by putting the chips in or on you.

This is just the kind of thing thought impossible until very recently but predicted by the Bible over 2,000 years ago.

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[2] You can read the proposal here: http://voices.washingtonpost.com/ezra-klein/Conceptual%20Outline%20of%202010%20Bill%20%28R-S-M%29.pdf

[3] http://voices.washingtonpost.com/ezra-klein/2010/04/is_a_biometric_national_id_car.html

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. By that we mean the certainty that He may come at any moment and the fact that no prophesied event stands between the believer and that hour.

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!***