It Might Be Today

MEXICANS MICROCHIPPED

Every Sunday we present a prophecy update. We show how news and trends in the world corroborate centuries-old prophecies you read in the Bible.

Ours is the generation that has seen the development of technologies that have made possible the fulfillment of the infamous 'mark of the beast.'

"What's that?," you ask. Two thousand years ago the apostle John saw that in the future, in the last days, all business, all commerce, your very identity, would be via some kind of 'mark' on your hand or forehead.

During the future seven-year Great Tribulation described in the Bible, that 'mark' will be used to track whether or not a person has sworn allegiance to the man we know as the antichrist.

I came across an article posted at WashingtonPost.com that alerts me we are in the last days of history prior to the Great Tribulation. The article was dated August 21 and was titled, *Scared Mexicans try under-the-skin tracking devices*.¹

Excerpts:

Of all the strange circumstances surrounding the violent abduction last year of Diego Fernandez de Cevallos, the Mexican power broker and former presidential candidate... perhaps nothing was weirder than the mysterious tracking chip that the kidnappers allegedly cut from his body.

... Mexican media accounts reported that an armed gang invaded Fernandez's home, sliced open his arm with a pair of scissors and extracted a satellite-enabled tracking device, leaving the chip and a streak of blood behind.

¹ http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/americas/scared-mexicans-try-under-the-skin-tracking-devices/2011/08/14/gIQAtReNUJ_story.html?hpid=z4

Fernandez was freed seven months later with little explanation, but the gruesome details of his crude surgery have not dissuaded thousands of worried Mexicans from seeking out similar satellite and radio-frequency tracking products - including... chip implants - as abductions in the country soar.

Under-the-skin devices such as the one allegedly carved out of Boss Diego are selling here for thousands of dollars on the promise that they can help rescuers track down kidnapping victims. Xega, the Mexican company that sells the chips and performs the implants, says its sales have increased 40 percent in the past two years.

"Unfortunately, it's been good for business but bad for the country," said Xega executive Diego Kuri, referring to the kidnappings. "Thirty percent of our clients arrive after someone in their family has already experienced a kidnapping," added Kuri, interviewed at the company's heavily fortified offices... 120 miles north of Mexico's capital.

For \$2,000 upfront and annual fees of \$2,000, the company provides clients with a subdermal radio-frequency identification chip (RFID), essentially a small antenna in a tiny glass tube. The chip, inserted into the fatty tissue of the arm between the shoulder and elbow, is less than half an inch long and about as wide as a strand of boiled spaghetti.

The chip relays a signal to an external Global Positioning System unit the size of a cellphone, Kuri said, but if the owner is stripped of the GPS device in the event of an abduction, Xega can still track down its clients by sending radio signals to the implant.

The company says it has helped rescue 178 clients in the past decade.

Wow. Not only is the technology that John envisioned here, right now. It's being implemented voluntarily, out of necessity.

I'm not saying this chipping *is* the mark of the beast. I'm not even saying that using it is wrong.

The mark of the beast is swearing allegiance to the antichrist and it takes place during the Great Tribulation period. People won't be tricked into doing it. They will know that the choice to swear allegiance to the antichrist will be to reject Jesus Christ and be lost for eternity. It's not something that will sneak-up on a person.

I'm simply pointing out that the technology exists *right now* to implement something like John saw two thousand years ago. And the fact it is happening right now, taken in conjunction with other signs, tells me these are the last days before the coming of Jesus Christ.

Does anything need to happen before Jesus returns to resurrect and rapture the church? No. And that's why I like to end these updates by saying, Get ready, stay ready, and keep looking up. *Ready or not, Jesus is coming!*