

IT MIGHT BE TODAY

Getting a Handle on Your Gun

I read or listen to the news with a Christian worldview and, especially, an ear for how things are corroborating centuries old Bible prophecies regarding the last days. Each week I present my findings as a Prophecy Update.

The end times world prophesied in the Bible is one in which people will have in them or on them some sort of personal identifier by which they will transact all of their daily business and activities. During the Great Tribulation this method of identification will be utilized by the world leader we call the antichrist to force folks to swear allegiance to him or be cut-off from society. This swearing of allegiance is what the Bible calls the mark of the beast.

Up until just a few years ago it seemed fanciful that such technology could exist. Today there are multiple candidates for implementing personal id. Then, after several such technologies were developed, it seemed ridiculous to think anyone would actually allow themselves to be tagged or chipped.

Well, people not only allow it, they volunteer for it.

RFID stands for radio frequency identification. It is the wireless non-contact use of radio-frequency electromagnetic fields to transfer data, for the purposes of automatically identifying and tracking tags attached to objects. Some tags require no battery and are powered and read at short ranges via magnetic fields.

Others use a local power source and emit radio waves. The tag contains electronically stored information which may be read from up to several meters away. Unlike a bar code, the tag does not need to be within line of sight of the reader and may be embedded in the tracked object.

A tag can be imbedded in almost anything - or anyone.

Last year a web article from Forbes was titled, *Want an RFID Chip Implanted Into Your Hand?*

Excerpts:

Amal Graafstra snaps on a pair of black rubber gloves... The bearded systems administrator across the table, who requested I call him “Andrew,” has paid Grafstra \$30 to have a radio-frequency identification (RFID) chip injected into the space between his thumb and pointer finger... Graafstra... fishes a tiny cylindrical two-millimeter diameter EM4012 RFID chip out of a tin of isopropyl alcohol, and drops it into the syringe’s end, replacing the RFID tag intended for pets that came with the injection kit. He swabs Andrew’s hand with iodine, carefully pinches and pulls up a fold of skin on the top of his hand to create a tent of flesh, and with the other hand slides the syringe into the subcutaneous layer known as the fascia, just below the surface.

Then he plunges the plastic handle and withdraws the needle. A small crowd of onlookers applauds. The first subject of the day has been successfully chipped.

For Graafstra himself, the chips are more than a novelty or a hacker hobby. Graafstra uses them to access his home near Seattle, to turn on his motorcycle, to open a safe in his house, even to authenticate into his phone, a Samsung Galaxy Nexus that's capable of near-field communications. He had his first chip installed in 2005 by a doctor client of his IT services firm, and has since become one of a few vocal RFID body implant evangelists, chronicling his experiences with the chip on his website and in a book, *RFID Toys*.

<http://www.forbes.com/sites/andygreenberg/2012/08/13/want-an-rfid-chip-implanted-into-your-hand-heres-what-the-diy-surgery-looks-like-video/>

Just this week I was sent an article that describes Trigger Smart. It's an RFID smart gun that can only be fired by the authorized user. It can also be set up to not fire in certain places - like schools, for example.

If you go to the Trigger Smart website and watch their video, they eventually tell you that the RFID tag can be placed in a piece of jewelry that you wear, like a ring. But they also have a picture of it placed in your hand - and, really, that's where you're gonna want it for the system to work.

<http://www.triggersmart.com/Pages/TriggerSmart.aspx>

It shouldn't surprise you that the Bible accurately predicted the advances in technology that we are seeing today. It should surprise you that more people aren't blown away by prophecy and that they still reject Jesus Christ.

Are you ready for the return of Jesus Christ? He promised to come at any moment to resurrect and rapture the church.

If you're not ready, get ready and stay ready. ***Because ready or not, Jesus is coming!***