IT MIGHT BE TODAY

"Vampire Watch"

Each week we present what we call a Prophecy Update. This is #467 in that series.

The Bible accurately foretells specific events - in precise detail - sometimes even centuries before they occur.

Approximately 2500 prophecies appear in the pages of the Bible. About 2000, or 80%, have already been fulfilled to the letter, with no errors.

Because we know that the remaining 500 or so prophecies will definitely be fulfilled, we look for news, and trends, that you'd expect to be taking place.

You might call them the signs of the times.

Over two thousand years ago, the apostle John saw a future in which some manner of wearable or implanted technology would unite the world in a global, cashless economy.

He saw people having a personal identifier *on* them, or *in* them, by which they would transact all daily business.

Futurists like ourselves were ridiculed for taking John literally, and seriously. Not anymore. Even mainstream reporters use the term, "mark of the beast," when discussing advances in tech.

I ran across something that I was certain must be an internet myth. It's called, by its critics, "The Vampire Watch." It is a wearable device that looks like a watch but takes samples of your blood without using a needle.

It's real; or, at least, it will be. Tech juggernaught Google applied for its patent in 2014.

Gizmodo is a respected tech blog. Here is their report, after discovering the patent application:

Google wants to patent a blood-sucking smartwatch. Just when you thought our data-driven lifestyles were getting a little weird, Google wants to make it creepy. The company filed a patent application for a "needle-free blood draw" device that can be implanted in a wearable. It's the vampiric smartwatch you never asked for.

All jokes aside, the invention looks pretty interesting and possibly deeply helpful for diabetics... the new Google design isn't exactly needle-free. It's basically a really slick finger-pricking gadget that works by blasting a gas-powered microparticle into the skin and then draws a small vial of blood into a pressurized container. The device comes in a few different configurations, including the aforementioned blood-sucking wearable, and can be used to measure glucose levels.

http://gizmodo.com/google-wants-to-patent-a-blood-sucking-smartwatch-1746172374

Your blood data is uploaded, via wifi, to the internet.

Critics are quick to point out that, once they have access to your blood, Google can upload a ton of biological data on you - not just blood sugar. Some go so far as to suggest they could eventually mess with your DNA.

One End-Times writer gave this opinion:

To begin, this device can run a number of tests on your body. Once the tests have been run, the information is stored in microchips contained inside the Vampire Watch. All the information about your body can now be uploaded and absorbed into the WWW matrix... We know from Revelation 13 that all people will receiving some type of "mark" on their foreheads or in the back of their hands. There are some who debate what this mark could be, whether it is an RFID chip or something else. My opinion is that the "mark" involves hard-wiring the human body to the WWW matrix through a type of technology. Both an RFID and the Vampire Watch would qualify as types of "marks" that somebody could receive in their bodies.

These kinds of advances in technology, and bio-tech, biofeedback, are exactly what you'd expect to hear about if you take the apostle John literally, and seriously.

Not to worry: The mark of the beast - whatever tech eventually becomes its foundation - cannot occur until mid-way through the future Great Tribulation.

Technology itself is NOT the mark, but, rather, the swearing of allegiance to the antichrist, in the face of the Gospel telling you it means eternal damnation.

We won't be on the earth to see it, and be confronted with swearing allegiance to the antichrist.

Jesus promised He'd come and resurrect the dead in Christ, and rapture living believers, **before** the Great Tribulation will begin.

There are no prophecies needing to be fulfilled prior to the rapture. It is presented in the Bible as an imminent event.

Are you ready for the rapture? If not, get ready, stay ready, and keep looking up. *Ready or not, Jesus is coming!*