IT MIGHT BE TODAY

"Hip-hip...Whatever Happened to HIPAA?" Prophecy Update #640

These are exciting times for believers in Christ who are interested in Bible prophecy. Many things that are suggested by unfulfilled, future prophecies seem to be trending.

We reserve a few minutes Sunday morning to discuss some of those things. We are careful to use recognized, reliable sources for news and information.

> We're not saying the things we report are the fulfillment of prophecy - only that they are the things you'd expect from reading the Bible literally

We've all heard of the Mark of the Beast. It will, during the future Great Tribulation, involve a global economic system by which a person will buy, sell, and be identified by something *on* or *in* their hand or head. A good guess would be some form of biometrics, e.g., a vein scan, facial recognition, iris scan, skin tag, implanted microchip, etc.

One aspect of the future Mark is that you must have it. It won't be optional

Until recently, unless you lived in China, it has been hard to believe that such a thing could be forced upon a freedom-loving public. In just a few months, however, COVID19 has effectively changed that. Around the world, citizens are going to be forced to receive vaccinations or suffer consequences.

I read an article titled, Spain 'To Register' Those Who Refuse Covid Vaccine; [then] Share Registry With Other EU Counties.

Excerpts:

Vaccinations against COVID19, which will begin on December 27th in Spain, will be voluntary, **but the Ministry of Health has said that it will register those who refuse it.**

Those who don't wish to be immunized against the virus will not remain anonymous.

Newsweek recently reported that France may limit the use of public transportation to people who do not take the vaccine.

ABCNews had this to say:

Now that coronavirus vaccines are starting to roll out in the US and abroad, many people may be dreaming of the day when they can travel, shop and go to the movies again. But in order to do those activities, you may eventually need something in addition to the vaccine: A vaccine passport.

Several companies and technology groups have begun developing smartphone apps or systems for individuals to upload details of their COVID19 tests and vaccinations, creating digital credentials that could be shown in order to enter concert venues, stadiums, movie theaters, offices, or even countries.

https://abc30.com/9128169/

Los Angeles is launching a digital iPhone receipt for COVID19 vaccinations.

Bloomberg reported that the plan being rolled out this week will see Los Angeles County partner with tech firm Healthvana to issue the digital verifications, which can be put in an Apple Wallet or the Android equivalent.

The project is initially aimed at ensuring that people who get the first shot of the approved Pfizer or Moderna vaccines also get the required booster shot.

But the digital receipt could also be used to prove to airlines, to prove to schools, to prove to whoever needs it, that a person has been vaccinated.

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-9100029/LA-begins-issuing-digital-vaccine-verification-Apple-Wallet.html

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission says,

Any employer can mandate the COVID19 vaccine, provided they accommodate religious and disability-related objections and the employee receives it from a provider that does not contract with the employer.

If you refuse to get vaccinated, you may be worried about being fired. Possible alternatives include asking them to take a leave of absence, or to work remotely. If an employee cannot get vaccinated because of a disability or sincerely held religious belief, and there is no reasonable accommodation possible, [then] an employer could exclude the employee from physically entering the workplace."

https://www.webmd.com/vaccines/covid-19-vaccine/news/20201229/your-boss-may-require-you-to-get-a-covid-19-vaccine

At the same time rights to privacy are being taken away, we are giving them away. A new survey finds that,

Researchers say two in three US adults "don't care" if their smart devices are always listening to what they say. More and more people are choosing convenience over their own privacy. This is especially true when it comes to owning smartphones.

https://www.studyfinds.org/americans-dont-care-if-smart-devices-recording/

This could go in a lot of different directions. I'm not making any predictions.

I am simply pointing out that
the current trends to invade privacy and to control access to goods and
services are exactly
what you'd expect from reading the Bible

In the Revelation, John saw a future system in which you must participate or you won't be able to conduct business. We may be witnessing its inception.

We believe the resurrection and rapture of the church is imminent. It could happen any moment; nothing needs to happen before it. It will definitely happen before the Tribulation.

Jesus will return in the clouds. He will raise the dead in Christ. He will transform the bodies of living believers to glorified, resurrection bodies.

We will all join Him in Heaven while the earth endures one final seven-year campaign of severe evangelism.

Are you ready for the rapture? If not, Get ready; Stay ready; Keep looking up.

Ready or not, Jesus is coming!