

IT MIGHT BE TODAY

"Hysteria? or Hysterical?" Prophecy Update #696

I came across this quote: "Prophecy takes us out of the limitations of seeing only what our immediate circumstances allow and helps us to see the big picture of what the world is really coming to. When you understand prophecy, you understand better what is happening on this earth. You understand that everything is moving toward a culmination of events and that the architect of these events is God Himself. God, the architect of the ages, has seen fit to take us into His confidence concerning His plan for the future. He has revealed His purpose and program in detail."

We reserve a few minutes to discuss current trends that you'd expect from reading Bible prophecy.

We are futurists. We interpret all unfulfilled prophetic passages as future events that will occur in a literal, physical, apocalyptic, and global context. Biometrics, Artificial Intelligence, cashless commerce, the manipulation of human DNA, global government, the exponential growth of human knowledge, and the rebirth of national Israel are End Times phenomena the Bible predicts. All of these are increasingly trending in the news.

I came across a 2018 op-ed piece by a humanist. In it he ridicules Christians who, as he says, "should read a few centuries beyond Revelation 13."

His off-the-cuff analysis of Revelation 13 isn't wrong. He writes, "One day, some authority figure is going to come along and make us all wear some kind of mark (implant?) on the right hand or forehead as a precondition to participating in worldly affairs. But if you get the mark, watch out! You won't be able to enter God's kingdom."

Regarding the advancements in technology he writes,

In the natural progression of technology, first came national ID cards, then RFID implants, and now we're about to enter the era (presumably) of neural lace. Meanwhile, standard biometric technology has become incredibly accurate, widely available, and varied. Technology can now be used to identify individuals by recognizing their face, fingerprint, palm, iris, and voice.

The writer definitely understands the similarity of the Bible's Mark of the Beast with advancing technology. His argument, his only argument, is that to take the Bible as a literal, future prophecy is "religious hysteria influenced by madcap prophecies from the first century."

The NY Times posted an article titled, *Your Face Is, or Will Be, Your Boarding Pass*. "There are signs that the pandemic may be advancing biometric acceptance. In its recently released 2021 passenger survey, the International Air Transport Association found that 73% of passengers are willing to share their biometric data to improve airport processes, up from 46% in 2019. Some of the embrace of biometrics may come from its everyday applications, such as using facial recognition to open your phone or to access your banking app."

<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/12/07/travel/biometrics-airports-security.html>

Are we hysterical? Is this madcap?

All we are doing is recognizing that the things that the Bible predicted over two thousand years ago are trending today.

[brietbart.com](#) posted an article titled, *France Announces Digital Identity App Just Days After Macron Re-Election*.

Excerpts:

The French have been forced to grow accustomed to using digital apps to access a wide range of services during the Coronavirus crisis with the introduction of the pass sanitaire (health/vaccine passport).

It is also unclear as to whether the government will seek to use the identity app as a means of social control. However, the French government has previously admitted that the use of a vaccine passport was in fact a "disguised" form of a vaccine mandate intended to make it difficult for non-vaccinated people to function in society and therefore bend the people to the government's will. The European Union as a whole is also planning on introducing a digital identity application sometime this year in order to enable people to enjoy the "greater flexibility ideal for post-pandemic life."

The planned application would allow citizens in all 27 member states to access government websites of any EU nation and will act as a wallet to pay for things such as utilities and even to rent cars.

<https://www.breitbart.com/europe/2022/04/29/france-announces-digital-identity-app-days-after-macron-re-election/>

It would be easy, and more convenient, to do these things by using biometrics, e.g., palm or vein scans, facial recognition, etc.

Speaking of the antichrist... And getting just a tiny bit sensational... The president of France, Macron, is Emmanuel Jean-Michel Frédéric Macron. His names mean the following:

Emmanuel - God with us.

Jean - gift from God.

Michel - who is like God?

Frédéric - peaceful ruler.

Macron - a written or printed mark.

I find it hysterical that non-believers, and even certain believers, see what's happening but refuse to acknowledge the connections to the End Times.

We believe the resurrection and rapture of the church are imminent. It could happen any moment; nothing needs to happen before it. It will happen before the Great 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!