PRECURSORS TO THE 666 AND THE MARK OF THE BEAST : PT 1

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As I point out in a few of my other articles, it's my belief that in order for us to properly understand Endtime Bible prophecy, not only do we need to have a basic understanding of certain past events, that is, world history, but we also need to keep ourselves abreast of current world developments in a variety of different areas. These would include such spheres as politics, religion, economics, etc. Of course, it would also include the area of science and modern technology as well. It has occurred to me that there is the possibility that what may have appeared as "magic", or perhaps as great spiritual power to the ancient Prophets, may in actuality be easily explained by technological advances in our modern day.

One prophetic Bible verse which I mention in other writings, is found in the Book of Daniel, and reads as follows:

"But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." Daniel 12:4, KJV

In the previous verse, we are basically being informed of three important things. First, that the meaning of Daniel's prophecies would not be fully understood until the time of the end; that is to the say, the Endtime, or the Last Days. Next, in only a few words, we are given a clear picture of what perfectly describes the vast transportation networks of our modern day, in which people travel all around the world by a variety of means, including jet airliners, transoceanic ships, bullet trains, subway systems, cars, trucks, buses, helicopters, private planes, etc. Everybody is busy trying to get somewhere.

But it is the final point in the previous prophecy which I would like to bring to your attention at this time. We are told that knowledge shall be increased. As I point out in my article "Science And Technology: The Forbidden Knowledge?", no one can deny that this has most certainly happened. Man's knowledge in a wide diversity of areas, such as in the field of science and technology, has increased at an unbelievable rate during the past century; and like an avalanche rushing down a mountainside, it continues to increase as each year passes. Only God knows where it will end, and this is of some concern to me. Allow me to tell you why I feel this way.

As I have pointed out before, whether we realize it or not, we are all influenced by spiritual forces. In a sense, being as knowledge can be inspired by both good and evil spiritual forces, it can be correctly stated that modern developments are indirectly the result of spiritual power. Sadly, not all modern developments are necessarily good; simply because the spiritual forces which inspired them, and gave the wisdom to create them, are not good. Consider such hellish weapons as the nuclear bomb and other Weapons of Mass Destruction which so many nations are now trying to acquire or in fact already possess. The Apostle James plainly informs us that not all wisdom -- from the Greek "sophia" -- descends from above; that is to say, not all knowledge comes from God in Heaven. Some wisdom, and the things which it produces, is in fact demonic; it is devilish. James wrote:

"This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish."

James 3:15, KJV

In such articles as "666: Patience Of The Saints" and "Mondex And The Mark Of The Beast", I point out how there is a great deal of evidence which suggests that some of the leaders of the Endtime, particularly those who are involved in the area of international trade, banking, and online eCommerce, will use modern technology to their advantage, in order to catch people in their financial web which they have tightly woven around the world. The widespread use of such things as debit cards, Smart Cards, ATMs, etc., is clear proof that this is indeed true; and in the near future, all of these things will be directly connected to, and easily accessible from, one's personal computer. You may already know that computers with a port for connecting a biometric scanner, such as for a fingerprint scanner, are even now being developed, and will hit the market soon.

But allow me to ask you something. Is it possible that the Prophets of old, such as John for example, may have looked at these developments from the perspective of where this knowledge was acquired from in order to create such things, and thus have rightly described it as being Satanic power? Obviously, they could not understand the science which is associated with the things they were seeing, but they did know the real source of the wisdom, and it was clearly not of God. So because what the Prophets saw in some of their visions was far beyond their comprehension, they may have struggled to find a way to describe such things in a way which would be understood by later readers. While it may have been a challenge for them to comprehend their visions, one thing that they did want us to know, is that the things they were seeing, whatever they were, were of Satan, and that we need to watch out for them.

Concerning connecting ancient prophecies with technological developments of our modern day, allow me to give you a few examples. In Revelation, we are told that the mysterious wicked city of the Endtime known as Babylon the Great, will in some way be destroyed by fire. We are told by John that her destruction will be so complete, that she will be found "no more at all". As if to emphasize this point, please note that the phrase "no more at all", as well as two variations of this phrase, are used a total of eight times. Consider these verses: "And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire. For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled." Revelation 17:16-17, KJV

"Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her . . . And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all . . . And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all. And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft he be, shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee; And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived."

Revelation 18:8, 14, 21-23, KJV

A few chapters earlier, in Revelation thirteen, we are also informed that the Second Beast, that is to say, the False Prophet, will in some way make fire come down from heaven, that is, from the sky, in the sight of men, as we see here:

"And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men," Revelation 13:13, KJV

Given the scientific developments of our current day, is it possible that the Prophet John may have witnessed some kind of modern technology, such as satellite-based laser weapons, or possibly even a nuclear device? While regular fires can in fact result in a lot of destruction, the description of the destruction of Endtime Babylon the Great seems to imply something much more complete. "No more at all" offers a hint that reconstruction may not be possible for some reason.

An urbanized area can obviously be rebuilt following a fire, no matter how great the damage may be; but sadly, as we have clearly seen with such cases as the Japanese cities Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the Bikini atoll nuclear tests, the 1979 Three Mile Island partial meltdown, the devastating 1986 Chernobyl incident, and other nuclear-related incidents, in addition to the massive physical damage which can result from a nuclear reactor meltdown, or from a nuclear explosive device, deadly radiation levels can leave an area completely uninhabitable for many decades to come, not to mention curse people with afflictions which can not only incapacitate them and their offspring, but which may eventually kill them as well.

Before leaving this example behind, I would like to share one more observation I have made while discussing the destruction of Babylon the Great. While the Lord could destroy Babylon by a variety of means, why is it that He specifically chooses some type of fire? As I pondered this thought, a clear answer came to me: In the Old Testament, according to the Levitical Law which existed before the time of Moses, burning one with fire was apparently the punishment which was prescribed for a woman who was found guilty of committing whoredoms. This becomes clear in the example of the story of Judah and Tamar. We are told that after Judah had unknowingly impregnated his daughter-in-law, Tamar, with his child, upon learning of the development, the following occurred:

"And it came to pass about three months after, that it was told Judah, saying, Tamar thy daughter in law hath played the harlot; and also, behold, she is with child by whoredom. And Judah said, Bring her forth, and let her be burnt. When she was brought forth, she sent to her father in law, saying, By the man, whose these are, am I with child: and she said, Discern, I pray thee, whose are these, the signet, and bracelets, and staff. And Judah acknowledged them, and said, She hath been more righteous than I; because that I gave her not to Shelah my son. And he knew her again no more."

Genesis 38:24-26, KJV

I honestly don't know exactly what it meant to be burned in this fashion, as the Bible doesn't make it clear; and to be quite frank, just thinking about it kind of sickens me; but what we do know from the Scriptures, is that Judah was at fault here, because he had refused to fulfill his obligation to Tamar, by giving her his youngest son, Shelah, after the older two sons had died. In the end, Tamar bore twin sons by Judah; Pharez and Zarah; and Pharez was an ancestor of Jesus Christ; which is why Jesus is called "the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David" in the Book of Revelation. Here is the end of the story, as it is found in the thirty-eighth chapter of the Book of Genesis:

"And it came to pass in the time of her travail, that, behold, twins were in her womb. And it came to pass, when she travailed, that the one put out his hand: and the midwife took and bound upon his hand a scarlet thread, saying, This came out first. And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand, that, behold, his brother came out: and she said, How hast thou broken forth? this breach be upon thee: therefore his name was called Pharez. And afterward came out his brother, that had the scarlet thread upon his hand: and his name was called Zarah." Genesis 38:27-30, KJV

While I discuss Babylon the Great in much more detail in my article "Revelation's Babylon the Great", let me just mention here that what these verses from Revelation may be indicating, is that in some way, Babylon represents a false religion, or perhaps even a false church, which, while she is supposed to be married to Jesus Christ, she has betrayed her spiritual husband through her unfaithfulness, and has gone whoring after the pleasures of this modern world. As a result of her sins against Him, she is burned with fire. So, perhaps if we view these verses in this context, we can begin to obtain a better idea of which modern city might possibly represent Babylon the Great. Two other Scriptures which add support to this speculation are the following, and you will find more of them discussed in the aforementioned article:

"Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God." Romans 7:4, KJV

"Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the

friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God." James 4:4, KJV

One final hint I would like to offer here before moving on, is that the first verse above seems to imply, that whereas our Salvation is supposed to be based upon our faith in the Sacrifice of Jesus Christ alone, maybe the mysterious Babylon is still depending upon her own "good works", such as through her observance of the Mosaic Law, or perhaps even through her observance of vain church laws and traditions, to save her, but this simply will not do; for as it is clearly written:

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." Ephesians 2:8-9, KJV

"Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;" Titus 3:5, KJV

"And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work." Romans 11:6, KJV

Allow me to share another example with you which again shows how the fulfillment of some ancient prophecies may possibly be explained by technological developments in our modern day; and this will tie in directly with the title of this series. As I noted earlier, the infamous Mark of the Beast, or "666", could very well be explained by the current developments in banking and computer technology. While certain Bible teachers have tried to totally spiritualize the meaning of the "666", personally, I think it is foolish to do this, because buying and selling, in other words, world commerce, is very much a real, physical part of our modern world; and the strong push towards globalization will make it even more so as the years progress. Furthermore, advanced technology will be required to make everything work smoothly and effectively, even as it is already the case now. While it is indeed true that whether or not one chooses to accept or to reject the Mark of the Beast system, will have great spiritual significance, even affecting our Salvation, nevertheless, what is being described in Revelation chapter thirteen seems very much to me like a literal event. It will be a technologically-based development; and its precursors are already apparent at this current time, as I mentioned a moment ago. I ask you to again consider exactly what God's Word has to say about this devilish economic system:

"And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six." Revelation 13:16-18, KJV

Aside from the fact that what John wrote seems to be rather literal to me, it is also as a result of the many technology articles which I have read and archived over the years, that I remain convinced at this current time, that the final 666 Mark of the Beast global credit system, will be a "marriage" of such technologies as microchip implants -- such as Applied Digital Solutions' "VeriChip" and "VeriPay" -- external RFID chips -- Radio Frequency Identification chips, which are now being utilized by large American retailers such as Walmart -embedded RFID chips -- such as those embedded in Smart Cards and digital passports -- biometric scanners -- such as facial, retinal and fingerprint scans -- and GPS - Global Positioning System - technology -- such as the "Digital Angel" location device. If we add to this the worldwide campaign to create National ID databases and National ID Cards, which I believe will probably also contain an embedded microchip, it is not too difficult to see where everything is headed. I will be discussing some of these technologies in more detail as we proceed with this series.

As I point out in "666: Patience Of The Saints", in coming years, every single citizen will either be a marked, tracked, and chip-bearing member of the New World Order, with rights to travel, buy and sell as he or she pleases, or else he or she will be ostracized as an outcast of society, due to not being willing to receive the mark of the damned; that is to say, the "666" Mark of the Beast microchip implant. Even now, these satanic developments are insidiously being forced upon people through a subtle "campaign of inconvenience"; and the people of the world are being psychologically manipulated, and coerced into accepting them. Even in places like America, people are grudgingly sacrificing long-established personal liberties, all in the name of fighting Bush's so-called "war against terrorism". It is becoming increasingly difficult to function normally in this world, unless one embraces the new technology which surrounds him, but this is by intentional design. If you wish to better understand what I mean by a "campaign of inconvenience", please read the aforementioned article. Your eyes will be opened.

Ironically, it used to be that people were innocent until they were proven guilty. Now it seems that since the tragic events of 9/11, we are all guilty until proven innocent. We are all potential suspects; and countries like the USA are turning into veritable police states, as fear and paranoia grip the populace, from high government officials to common citizens. Perhaps if the United States of America were to change some of its foreign policies, America wouldn't be so hated and despised abroad; and American citizens would have less to fear. It says a lot when traveling Americans try to pretend to be Canadians, in order to avoid the increasing stigmatization which has become associated with being a citizen of the United States of America.

But as I was explaining a moment ago, it is obvious that the precursory technology which will lead to the ultimate "666" Mark of the Beast system, is already in existence. It's just a matter of time before this technology will be perfected, and will all be brought together when the moment is right. I really don't know how soon that moment will arrive, but I am sure that when it does, people will be willing to accept it. In fact, because of the current psychological manipulation, and the climate of fear, many people, particularly those who reject the truth of God's Word, will gladly embrace the Mark of the Beast, as a way to supposedly protect themselves from the evils which are even now befalling the world.

As I already said, in certain countries, including the USA, these kinds of technologies are even now being employed by certain government agencies, as well as by manufacturers and large retail outlets. But this madness does not stop there. Marking warehouse products with RFID microchips in order to tighten inventory is one thing, but marking real people is quite another in my view.

It may shock some of you to know, that in 2002, the US Food And Drug Administration approved the use of Applied Digital Solutions' "VeriChip" microchip implant. A problem developed with the FDA concerning the status of "VeriChip", but it was cleared up this past October -- 2004 -- and ADS is now free to also distribute "VeriChip" as a medical device. It was also in 2002 that the first American family, the Jacobs, who live in the state of Florida, received their microchip implants. According to one report that I read some time ago, they are rather delighted with it. While the Jacobs family were the first American family to receive the "VeriChip" implant, as you will see later in this series, they were not the first people to be implanted with the chip.

Since two years ago when the microchip was approved, Applied Digital Solutions has continued to distribute thousands of the "VeriChip" implant. The popularity of this ungodly chip is sure to expand, as Applied Digital Solutions continues to promote their evil products in a positive light; which is exactly what they have been doing for some time now.

Exactly how are they doing this?

Quite simply, in an increasingly insecure world, where war, violence and terrorism-related events fill the mass media on a daily basis, security is the name of the game; and through products such as Digital Angel, VeriChip, and VeriPay, ADS promises in their periodic press releases, to provide their clients with personal security, due to the GPS technology which is built into their Digital Angel location device; as well as medical security, through a unique ID code which is stored in their VeriChip implantable product; and banking security, through the unique ID number which is encoded in their VeriPay chip. In short, indirectly, Applied Digital Solutions seems to be saying that our security, well-being, and peace of mind, are no longer the result of the Lord's blessings upon our lives. Instead, through technology, we can provide these things for ourselves without His help.

This idea goes right along with the secular humanist view that human governments are our true benefactors, and that

peace, security and other good things are the result of the actions which they take in order to protect us. For example, consider the heightened airport security; yet they were not able to detect or stop 9/11. Or consider the so-called "war against terrorism". Osama bin Laden remains free after more than three years of searching for him, and at least 1,400 American soldiers have died in Afghanistan and Iraq, not to mention thousands of Iraqis, Afghanis, and people of other nationalities as well. Or how about the creation of the US Department of Homeland Security, which slowly robs American citizens of their basic rights? And then there is the much publicized "Star Wars" Missile Defense Shield, which was an economic and physical impossibility from the start. Now we are promised a new form of protection through a devilish microchip implant. It seems that they promise and promise, and yet are unable to deliver the goods.

Contrary to such vain claims, the Holy Scriptures tell us plainly that God is our only true Protector and Provider of real peace and well-being, as we see by these verses:

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee." Isaiah 26:3, KJV

"Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Proverbs 3:5-6, KJV

"The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them." Psalms 34:7, KJV

"Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the LORD our God." Psalms 20:7, KJV

Concerning those who promise us peace and security through all of their modern technology, consider what the Bible has to say regarding such false promises of peace; particularly when God may in fact have Judgment in store for such wicked people:

"There is no peace, saith the LORD, unto the wicked."

"But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked." Isaiah 57:20-21, KJV

Isaiah 48:22, KJV

"They have healed also the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace." Jeremiah 6:14, KJV

"For they have healed the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace." Jeremiah 8:11, KJV

"To wit, the prophets of Israel which prophesy concerning Jerusalem, and which see visions of peace for her, and there is no peace, saith the Lord GOD." Ezekiel 13:16, KJV

"And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;" Luke 21:25, KJV

"For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape." 1 Thessalonians 5:3, KJV

"But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." Matthew 24:37-39, KJV

"And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues." Revelation 17:15, KJV

Returning to Applied Digital Solutions and their promise of technological security, I just recently read an article in which it was stated that the VeriChip is now being injected into politicians, business executives and children on a test basis, in Mexico and Brazil. The article stated that Applied Digital Solutions is actively seeking to expand its markets in Latin America and elsewhere. It is that last word that should bother all of us. Elsewhere! In the end, will it be the entire world?

Lest you become confused, at this point, allow me to clarify that Applied Digital Solutions actually sells three closely related products which are based upon the same technology. As I briefly explained a moment ago, the first product is called "VeriChip"; which is a microchip specifically designed to be used in a medical environment. It is a rather simple device which consists of a microchip, capacitor and an antenna coil, which are enclosed in a glass capsule. The "VeriChip" implant doesn't actually contain the bearer's entire medical history; it contains a limited amount of data which would be necessary to know in the case of an unexpected medical emergency.

To gain full access to the person's medical data, this chip contains a unique ID code, which when accessed by authorized individuals, such as a paramedic for example, will give them access to the medical records for the individual in question. The records are actually stored in a remote central database. Yes, central databases alarm me too. Who knows what they may be doing with our private information. I have never actually seen a real VeriChip; I only have various images of it which I have downloaded from a few sites on the Internet. Applied Digital Solutions states that the VeriChip product is about the size of an uncooked grain of rice.

Applied Digital Solutions' second product is also a subdermal implantable microchip which is based upon RFID technology. It has been dubbed by ADS as "VeriPay"; and they unveiled this microchip at ID World 2003, which was held in Paris, France, in November of last year. While "VeriChip" is designed for medical purposes, as its name implies, "VeriPay" is designed specifically for banking purposes. In other words, the unique ID number which is encoded in the VeriPay capsule, is linked to an individual's bank account and credit history, and can be used to make cash and credit transactions. In boasting of the security of this evil device, Applied Digital Solutions noted the following in their 2003 press release: ----- Begin Quote -----

VeriPay's unique, under-the-skin format offers a much more secure, tamper-proof, and loss-proof solution. VeriPay brings to consumers the benefits of fast and reliable RFID technology along with the security of a subdermal format.

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Wow! Doesn't that just make you feel safe? The only way that a dishonest person would be able to steal your private info, would be if they dug the microchip out of your body, or cut off the body part where the VeriPay chip is embedded. There is one problem though. First they would have to know where the chip is actually located. From what I have read, ADS is being very secretive about this, for obvious reasons. There is the possibility that an evil person might try to force an individual to reveal their secret ID code, but I wouldn't be too surprised to learn that even the recipient is not given this sensitive information, in order to avoid exactly such a dangerous situation. What one doesn't know, he cannot tell.

We still have a lot more ground to cover, so I trust that you will join me in part two of this series. See you there!

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VeriChip And VeriPay One And The Same, Related Technologies Digital Angel And GPS - Global Positioning Satellite System, DARPA, Kevin Warwick, Human Enhancement And Project Cyborg, Multiple Micro Electrode Array And Brain Machine Interfaces, Magic Or Advanced Technology?, Deciphering Nerve Impulses, Thought Communication Over Internet, Transfer Of Emotions, How Modems Work, Computer Binary Code, Record Nerve Impulses I Want To Be A Cyborg, Robocop, The Terminal Man, Terminator Crowd Control Through Pain, Kubrick's "A Clockwork Orange", Techno-Happy - "Soma" And Aldus Huxley's "Brave New World" Future World Dominated By Robots, Babylon And Souls Of Men

Allow me to also mention, that from everything I've read, it seems to me that VeriChip and VeriPay are basically one and the same microchip. The only difference appears to be in the actual application of the device; that is, in how it is used. In other words, in one case, the encoded ID number is used to access one's medical records; while in the other, a similar code allows one to perform various banking transactions. In short, this chip appears to be a multi-purpose device, and its uses are probably endless, and Applied Digital Solutions is sure to financially exploit this device as much as they possibly can.

While I have mentioned VeriChip and VeriPay in this series, please note that there are less intrusive ID products which basically perform the same functions as these ADS implants. These other products are likewise based upon Radio Frequency Identification technology -- RFID -- and include Smart Cards and related bank cards, earrings, pens, key chains, wrist watches, etc. However, being as these other products provide a less secure environment, I wouldn't be surprised if they are eventually phased out, and implantable subdermal chips become the primary way in which people choose to secure their personal data.

While I say "people", I am not referring to Christians, as I hope that God's children are smart enough to realize that we must firmly reject this satanic "666" system with all of our strength. As I point out in my article "666: Patience Of The Saints", one of these days, we're all going to be forced to draw the line regarding exactly how far we are willing to go with the children of the world, before we say "This far, and no further". The Bible makes it very clear that accepting the Mark of the Beast will result in one's damnation, as we see here:

"And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name." Revelation 14:9-11, KJV

As I mentioned in part one, Applied Digital Solutions' third product is a location device dubbed "Digital Angel". As I point out in the article "666: Patience Of The Saints", in their December 1999 press release, Applied Digital Solutions announced that they had bought out Digital Angel Corp., and had acquired the patent rights to their flagship product. In fact, it would seem that VeriChip and VeriPay are different applications of the very same product. Similar to VeriChip and VeriPay, Digital Angel has been promoted as a subdermal implantable chip; however, it appears that since that time, it has found both internal and external implementations. In other words, in addition to being implantable in a person's body, Digital Angel technology can also be integrated into other electronic components. Thus, this kind of technology can be built into watches, into devices hung on one's waist, into hand-held devices, into navigational devices which are found in cars, boats, aircraft and other vehicles, etc.

Unlike VeriChip and VeriPay, Digital Angel's usefulness is quite dependent upon another important technology which was specifically designed for, and which is in fact operated by the American military establishment. I am referring to the GPS system. GPS, or the "Global Positioning System", is a satellite-based navigation system which is both funded by, and controlled by, the US Department of Defense. While it was designed for military use, there are now thousands, and maybe even millions, of civilian users all around the world. The GPS system is comprised of both Earth-based, as well as space-based components. The space-based portion consists of a "constellation" of about twenty-four satellites, which, in the course of their precisely-defined orbits, cover every single part of the globe, everyday.

The entire GPS system is rather complex, so I am just going to offer a simple explanation here, so that you can see how Digital Angel uses this technology. If you would like a more thorough explanation, you will find plenty of information on the Internet; but I think the following explanation will be sufficient for our purposes here.

In order to take advantage of the GPS system, a person must possess a GPS receiver. In this case, this is precisely what the Digital Angel device is. Actually, it is a transceiver, or a transponder, because it acts as both a transmitter and a receiver, all in the same unit. A transceiver/transponder is a device which automatically transmits a signal whenever an anticipated incoming signal is received. I am reminded of how one downloads a file from a server. The host server which contains the file will transmit so many bytes of data, and then it will wait for the receiving computer, that is, you, the client, to send back a verification that the data packets has been successfully received without errors. This is called the "checksum". If the host server doesn't receive that verification, it will assume that data corruption, or perhaps some other problem, has occurred, and the download may be aborted. So a transponder like Digital Angel works in a similar way. It's activated by an incoming signal; and this holds true for VeriChip and VeriPay as well.

In this case, Digital Angel receives radio signals from four different orbiting satellites, which it must then process in order to compute the position and the velocity of the host, as well as the time. If a human being happens to be the host, meaning that they have a Digital Angel microchip embedded in their body, then if they become lost, or are kidnapped, for example, a signal can be sent out which will activate their chip. Digital Angel will then transmit a radio signal which will reveal the person's location. But what if a person does not want other to know where they are located? Too bad! Once a person is embedded with the chip, they are no longer in control; the master controllers are! They will be able to activate the Digital Angel microchip at will! I hope that you are in good standing with Big Brother Beast!

One thing I discovered as I was conducting some research for this series, which I find a bit disturbing, is the fact that being as the GPS system was really designed for military use, civilian usage of the system has purposely been crippled to some degree. In other words, the accuracy of the readings is purposely distorted, so that if a signal is sent to a host, the resulting coordinates which are sent back by the embedded microchip, will be off by perhaps a few hundred feet. I also read that the accuracy of the receiving device, such as ADS' Digital Angel in this case, may also be pre-determined by the manufacturer of the device. This leads me to suspect that if one is willing to pay the money, he may be able to purchase a more accurate GPS receiver; but this is only speculation on my part.

While you may have already been aware of the VeriChip device, what you may not know, is that while everyone's attention has been diverted by this obviously demonic device, the American agency DARPA, has been engaged in the development of another technology called BMI and MMEA. DARPA is an acronym for the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, which happens to be the central research and development organization for the US Department of Defense. At the time of this writing, this secretive agency is headed by Admiral John Poindexter.

Similar to VeriChip, MMEA is also an implantable microchip; however, it is considerably more advanced than the VeriChip. MMEA was created by British inventor Kevin Warwick. Warwick is the Professor of Cybernetics at the University of Reading in England. As his title implies, Mr. Warwick is involved in research which deals with artificial intelligence -- or AI -robotics and cybernetics; that is, the field which seeks to close the gap between the human-machine interface.

In fact, Professor Warwick has written a book entitled "In The Mind Of The Machines", in which he warns of a future in which machines are more intelligent than human beings. It is for this very reason that Warwick has embarked on a campaign to enhance human performance through the vehicle of microchip implants, and he is quite serious about it. Warwick's vision is to contribute towards the creation of a future society in which "super humans" will be able to naturally interface with a computer network. In other words, computer brains and human brains will become one. When asked if he felt if cyborgs were going to be the next step in human evolution, Warwick gave the following unnerving response: ----- Begin Quote -----

Genetic changes offer short term, slight modifications. However the step to Cyborgs offers humans a natural, technological upgrade in the technological world we have instigated. Yes I feel it will be the next evolutionary step. Indeed we will need to do it if we are to compete with intelligent machines.

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As I first mentioned in the article "666: Patience Of The Saints", on August 24, 1998, Professor Warwick shocked the international scientific community when he became the very first human recipient of a microchip surgically implanted in his upper left arm. According to information located on his website, the implanted microchip allowed Warwick to "operate doors, lights, heaters and other computers without lifting a finger", at the Department of Cybernetics at the University of Reading. The way that the professor was able to do this was very simple. In an article published by "Wired" magazine in February of 2000, Warwick explains the process with the following:

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In August 1998, a silicon chip was implanted in my arm, allowing a computer to monitor me as I moved through the halls and offices of the Department of Cybernetics at the University of Reading, just west of London, where I've been a professor since 1988. My implant communicated via radio waves with a network of antennas throughout the department that in turn transmitted the signals to a computer programmed to respond to my actions. At the main entrance, a voice box operated by the computer said "Hello" when I entered; the computer detected my progress through the building, opening the door to my lab for me as I approached it and switching on the lights. For the nine days the implant was in place, I performed seemingly magical acts simply by walking in a particular direction.

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Notice how the professor used the phrase "seemingly magical acts". As I said in part one, due to their not being able to

understand scientific technology of the far future, John, as well as other Prophets of old, would indeed view such things as "acts of magic", or more appropriately, as things which must surely be the result of great spiritual power; and that is exactly what they wrote. So again I ask: Are some of the events described in the Book of Revelation easily explained by our modern technology, or future technology yet to come? What do you think?

Professor Warwick has been designing "intelligent buildings" for over twenty years; and thus, each time that he would walk through a doorway in the Cybernetics Department at Reading, a radio signal would activate the transponder which was located in the less-than-one-inch capsule which was implanted in his arm. The transponder would then signal back the professor's personal ID code. A positive identification would result in the antennas communicating with the main computer, which in turn would then initiate the automation sequences in whatever room Warwick happened to be in at the facility. This phase of the professor's experiment was called "Project Cyborg 1.0".

For different reasons, Warwick and his team were being rather secretive regarding the identity of the source which provided the microchip implant for the Cyborg 1.0 experiment. All they would say was that it was a known commercial product, which used commonly-known technology. However, it seems that a big hint was purposely posted on Professor Warwick's website. On one certain page where a list of news articles is displayed, there was a link to an article from The Miami Herald, which discusses the Jacobs family, whom I mentioned earlier. I was a bit mystified at first, as these articles were supposed to be interviews in which Warwick was involved. However, right near the bottom of the article, I discovered the Professor's bit of humorous trickery. The article states in part:

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Only two adults have been implanted with the microchip, one in Europe, and a doctor working for Applied Digital Solutions, the Palm Beach company that makes the microchip, called a VeriChip.

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So as it turns out, Professor Warwick was in fact the first

person to be implanted with the VeriChip. Not only that, if one compares a photo from the professor's site, with images of VeriChip from Applied Digital Solutions, they look very much like the same implant.

As I mentioned in part one, VeriChip is a simple device which consists of a microchip, capacitor and an antenna coil, which are enclosed in a glass capsule. Having achieved success with Project Cyborg 1.0, Professor Warwick and his team were ready to move on to bigger things. Thus, since March 14, 2002, the professor has been conducting additional experiments with his wife, Irena. During this phase of the experiment, which they have dubbed "Project Cyborg 2.0", a more advanced microchip with one hundred electrodes was inserted into Warwick's arm just below the elbow joint. This more complex microchip has enabled Warwick to link his nervous system, via radio waves, directly to a computer. His website reports that among other things, the daring professor was able to control an electric wheelchair, as well as a cybernetic hand. On his site, there is an image of a cybernetic hand delicately holding an egg between its fingers.

This reminds me of other experiments where monkeys, lab rats and people, have been trained to move various objects, such as a cursor across a computer monitor, or a mechanical arm, or a lever, by means of electrodes implanted in their brains.

But, returning to Professor Warwick's microchip, MMEA stands for Multiple Micro Electrode Array. From looking at several images of the device, I was given the impression that it may be an enhanced version of VeriChip; meaning that it not only has more than one circuit board inside of the glass capsule, -- it has three -- but it also has the addition of the "collar" which contains the one hundred electrodes which made contact with Warwick's medial nerve in his upper left arm. In the very same "Wired" article that I mentioned earlier, Warwick describes the MMEA capsule, and its placement, in this way:

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The next device will be connected to the nerve fibers in my left arm, positioned about halfway between my elbow and shoulder . . . Most of the nerves in this part of the body are connected to the hand, and send and receive the electronic impulses that control dexterity, feeling, even emotions. A lot of these signals are traveling here at any given time: This nerve center carries more information than any other part of the anatomy, aside from the spine and the head (in the optic and auditory nerves), and so is large and quite strong. Moreover, very few of the nerves branch off to muscles and other parts of the upper arm - it's like a freeway with only a few on- and off-ramps, providing a cleaner pathway to the nervous system.

This implant . . . will be encased in a glass tube . . . One end of the glass tube contains the power supply - a copper coil energized by radio waves to produce an electric current. In the other end, three mini printed circuit boards will transmit and receive signals. The implant will connect to my body through a band that wraps around the nerve fibers - it looks like a little vicar's collar - and is linked by a very thin wire to the glass capsule.

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As Warwick explains above, the MMEA microchip, is actually a bidirectional device; meaning that it can both receive and transmit radio signals to and from the human body -- similar to the three Applied Digital Solutions products. The chip is controlled by a software package referred to as BMI. BMI is an acronym for "Brain Machine Interfaces". As I noted a moment ago, this hardware -- MMEA -- and software -- BMI -- is being used by the professor to intercept nerve impulses from his brain. One of his goals is to download these impulses to a computer, where they can be decoded, so that a program can be written, which will allow the user of BMI to re-transmit signals back to a person who has the MMEA microchip implant; and assist them if they suffer from certain maladies such as paralysis.

But Professor Warwick is much more the visionary than that. He has also said that one of his goals is to attempt thought communication at some time in the future, because he insists that human speech is a rather outdated, insufficient mode of communication. Warwick believes that it may be possible for people to communicate by thought alone, across the Internet.

Professor Warwick also wishes to experiment with "exchanging emotional signals", as he states on his website. He believes that it may be possible to use the MMEA chip to transmit his feelings to the computer as radio signals, and then beam the same signals back to his wife, where they will be recreated as feelings again. He is particularly interested in pain, and believes that MMEA technology may someday develop to a point where it can be used as a tranquilizer to reduce pain, or to even induce pleasure.

Is it possible that MMEA technology could some day be used to control what people actually think, as well as what they are feeling emotionally or physically? It certainly seems that this is what Professor Warwick believes, and I do find this very unsettling. How about you?

What I just described to you is similar to how a modem works. As some of you know, the word "modem" is simply an acronym for "Modulator/Demodulator". This means that a computer will read data stored on a hard drive, or on another device, and then send that data as digital impulses, either by way of a cable, or via a wireless network connection, to the modem. Upon receiving the digital signals, the modem converts them into analog signals, which can be sent through the telephone network, to the modem which is waiting on the other end. In turn, the second modem converts the analog signals back to digital signals which the receiving computer understands. In this way, two computers are able to "talk" back and forth to each other via the telephone system. Now you know what is actually happening when your modem starts making all of that clatter; unless, of course, you have its volume disabled.

So what Professor Warwick has accomplished over the past two years is basically the same thing. His MMEA microchip has a set of tiny electrodes which intercept nerve impulses which are traveling through his medial nerve. Upon intercepting these impulses in his arm, the electrodes pass the impulses by way of a tiny wire, to the circuit boards located in one end of the glass capsule. The circuit boards then transmit the impulses to the computer via radio signals. Through performing various physical actions over a period of time, he and his colleagues have been able to determine what some of those impulses mean, and how they affect the human body. This is more or less like trying to translate some unknown language from scratch. By trial and error, they have been able to slowly convert body language, that is to say, nerve impulses, into computer language, and actually write a sort of code you might say.

If you know anything about how computers operate, this isn't really that surprising. After all, computer code, or binary code, if you prefer, is really simplistic in nature. Data is really just a determined arrangement of bits, which possess either a positive charge, meaning a value of one, or else a negative charge, meaning a value of zero. Eight bits form a byte, which, depending on the arrangement of zeros and ones, represents a particular character which you can type on your keyboard. So just as your computer reads a continuous flow of digital signals consisting of a combination of zeros and ones, our brain is likewise sending out a continuous flow of nerve impulses to the various parts of our bodies. Depending on the nature of those impulses, our bodies react to them in a certain way. Warwick is saying that just as data -- those zeros and ones -- can be recorded to a hard drive, our nerve impulses can likewise be transmitted to a computer, stored there, be deciphered, and even be re-transmitted to someone else, where they will be re-created as feelings, reactions, or whatever. Now, is that spooky or what?

This is not just some tale from a science fiction novel; and Warwick obviously knows what he's talking about; because they are making progress with this technology. Professor Warwick's website states that by stimulating certain electrodes, they have been able to produce artificial sensations in his arm. At this current time, they are conducting certain experiments whereby when he touches his arm, the generated nerve impulses are intercepted by the electrodes on the MMEA microchip, and then transmitted to the computer via radio signals, which in turn relays the same impulses to a less complex MMEA implant which is embedded in his wife's arm. The end result, is that when the professor touches his arm, she feels the very same sensation, as if she had touched her own arm, even though in reality, she has really done no such thing.

While this type of experimentation could quite possibly lead to some amazing developments for individuals who suffer from such things as paralysis, or who may have lost a limb, quite frankly I find the entire project rather eerie. Even reading all of the material which is found on Warwick's website, and looking at the various images there, made me feel unsettled. This man has a crazy obsession with wanting to be a cyborg, and he makes absolutely no attempt to hide this fact. Quite to the contrary, he is very much in-your-face about it. In a commentary written in late January of 2000 for the British newspaper "Guardian Unlimited", Professor Warwick stated in part:

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"The future is out there; I am eager to see what it holds. I want to do something with my life: I want to be a cyborg".

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One month later, in an interview with "Wired" magazine in February of 2000 where he discusses his Cyborg 1.0 Project, Professor Warwick also made the following very disturbing statement:

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"I was born human, but it was an accident of fate".

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In another interview which is posted on his website, Warwick also states:

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Humanity can change itself, but hopefully it will be an individual choice. Those who want to stay human can, and those who want to evolve into something much more powerful with greater capabilities, can. There is no way I want to stay a mere human.

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So as I noted before, Warwick firmly believes that evolving into a race of "super human" cyborgs is our destiny. I can truly understand his desire to want to help people who may suffer from a variety of physical limitations, but I find his degree of fanaticism alarming. I don't know about you, but I have no interest in seeing human beings evolve into some kind of race of "robocops", or "terminal men", or God forbid, "terminators"; and there is a serious potential for misuse of this infant technology once it develops further. Note: "Robocop" was a 1987 sci-fi movie which takes place in the near future. Peter Weller plays the role of Alex Murphy; a police officer in Detroit. After an encounter with the bad guys, Murphy is brutally disfigured, and basically left for dead. But, thanks to cybernetics, he is "re-in-cyborgated" as the tough, super-duper, crime-fighting super hero cyborg "Robocop". He is probably everything that Warwick would like to be.

"The Terminal Man" is a sci-fi novel written by famous author Michael Crichton -- Andromeda Strain, Jurassic Park -- which was also released as a movie in 1974. In that movie, the main character has an electrode implanted in his brain, in order to try to control his rage. Of course, it's a movie, and so things have to go wrong. Instead of helping him, the man goes on a murderous rampage in the downtown streets of Los Angeles.

As to the "Terminator", I am sure that most of you reading this are familiar with the series of movies starring the new governor of California, and former movie super star, Arnold Schwarzenneger.

But returning to the idea concerning the potential for abuse, can you begin to understand what kind of demonic developments this kind of experimentation could possibly lead to, were it to fall into the wrong hands? When microchip implants become popular, and I have no doubt that they eventually will, this kind of evil technology could theoretically be used to make people think, or feel, whatever those in charge want them to; perhaps even cause them to experience pain if they get out of control. Are you having a problem with an unruly crowd? Well, if they are chipped, just transmit the right signals, and they will instantly be writhing in pain. Instant crowd control in a flash. The need for riot police will become a thing of the past. Even the most dangerous criminal will be reduced to being an obedient sheep.

I am reminded of a Stanley Kubrick movie which I saw many years ago called "A Clockwork Orange". While my memory is faint, in the film, the social behavior of the leader of a group of unruly hooligans is modified through the use of pain, so that eventually, he is forced to act against his will, and even act in a civilized manner. As I said, it has been many years since I saw the movie, so I really cannot recall much more about it than that. The point is though, pain was used to modify human behavior; and it may become possible to do this on a wide scale, if Warwick's implant is perfected.

This technology could also be used to do the exact opposite. If an MMEA-implanted person is feeling sad or depressed, he or she could be automatically made to feel happy again, just by beaming the right signals to their implanted microchip. Big Brother will make all obedient citizens "Techno-Happy". It reminds me of the "happy drug" called "soma" which noted author Aldus Huxley writes about in his prophetic-sounding book about a future eugenic society called "Brave New World". In the enslaving system of the coming world leader known as the Beast, it will be very important to keep everyone happy, particularly as the world's woes continue to increase due to God's Judgments; so that personal productivity remains high, and work quotas are met. After all, that is what the "666" Mark of the Beast global credit system will really be about; that is, slaving away, whether one is happy or sad, while earning a profit for the masters; that is, the International Bankers and the powerful technocrats who will control it all.

In consideration of all of this, Professor Warwick's warning concerning human beings being reduced to nothing more than second-class citizens in a future world controlled by robots, seems all the more prophetic; and I will have more to say on this in another article. Let us not forget that in describing the merchandise of the mysterious Babylon the Great found in the Book of Revelation, the Prophet John did include "slaves, and the souls of men"; as we see here:

"And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men." Revelation 18:13, KJV

Exactly who will be the masters over these slaves and souls of men? Will it simply be more powerful humans such as the rich International Bankers and the technocrats? Will it be a race of cyborgs? Or is it possible that it might even be a purely robotic race which has surpassed us in intelligence, and which deems us as inferior creatures, as the professor has claimed?

With these words, I will bring part two to a close. We still are not quite done yet. We have covered a lot of territory; but there are still a few more important things I would like to share with you; so I trust that you will join me as we conclude this series in part three.

Please go to part three for the conclusion of this series.

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## PRECURSORS TO THE 666 AND THE MARK OF THE BEAST : PT 3

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God Shall Wipe Away All Tears, False Utopia And Techno-Happy DARPA's Interest In MMEA, Chips And Operation Desert Storm, Economic Collapse Of America, Osama bin Laden And al-Qaeda, European SuperState, Global Economic Crash, Chaos and Anarchy, Rise Of The Beast And The False Prophet, Global Recovery Plan Big Brother's Global Police State, More Sure Word Of Prophecy End-Of-The-Year Inventories, Computer Point-Of-Sale Systems, Unscrupulous Business Practices, Cheap Products - Same Profit Disposable Products, Foreign Sweat Shops, "Made In America", Business People Don't Like Waste, Walmart Supports RFID Chips Cold-Hearted Deceptive Merchants, Robots - Wave Of The Future Different Approach But The Same Conclusions, Brevity Of Life, MedicAlert, VeriChip, Everything Based On Chips, Last Remarks

Concerning the issue of happiness, here again we see a good example of how Satan will attempt to imitate what God has designed and created, and foreordained for His children. In God's Word, we are informed that some day, when His Kingdom finally reigns in full, both in Heaven, and here on Earth, God shall wipe away all tears from our eyes. In the Book of Revelation we read:

"For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." Revelation 7:17, KJV

"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away." Revelation 21:4, KJV

As is his style, Satan will likewise attempt to set up his counterfeit utopia here on the Earth. Perhaps that demon of darkness shall wipe away all tears from their eyes as well; however, it will be nothing more than a technological lie. In fact, I would dare say that he is already doing this now. Isn't this precisely what current drug addicts, alcoholics, and others are doing already? Aren't they trying to get rid of their sadness and depression, by artificially inducing a false sense of happiness and well-being? Isn't materialism, and so many other things associated with this current life, about the very same thing? Everybody wants to forget about their problems, whatever they may happen to be, and just be happy; and there is absolutely nothing wrong with this, as long as we do it in an honest, legitimate manner, which does no harm to others, or to ourselves, mentally, emotionally, or physically. After all, we are told that our bodies are the temples of God's Spirit, as we see here:

"What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." 1 Corinthians 6:19-20, KJV

Considering these points, using the MMEA microchip, or maybe an improved version of the same in the future, in order to make everyone happy, does not seem quite as far-fetched any more, does it? Just as technology will increasingly be used by the nations of the world to provide peace and security, -- even some countries of the Middle East are already issuing digital passports -- it is possible that some day, they may also possess the ability to literally program everyone to be happy; and it will be absolutely legal. A person won't even have to worry about a drug bust. As I noted earlier, if you are a bona fide "666" chip-implanted member of the One World Government of the Beast, you will be able to travel wherever you want with relative ease. You will also be able to earn a living and pay your bills; and even though everything around you may be going to hell -- because of God's harsh Judgments -- you'll be able to be Techno-Happy in spite of it all, thanks to modern technology. It sounds great, doesn't it? Not!

Can you understand now why DARPA may have such a big interest in Professor Warwick's work, and why it is in fact helping to fund BMI and MMEA research? Soon, in a matter of years, your thoughts may not be your own. Shudder! Remember; DARPA is a military agency. As such, they think in terms of defense; and while it would be nice to think that they just want to find ways to keep people happy, I am more inclined to believe that crowd control through pain, or the defeat of an enemy through the implementation of artificially-induced pain, is more in line with the general nature of what they do for a living.

On a related note, it might also interest you to know, that according to what I have read, microchip implants were also used during the US's Operation Desert Storm in Iraq. Given, the current bloody chaos in Iraq, and the escalating number of American casualties there, I would not be the least bit surprised to learn that microchips are still being used, in order to keep track of both personnel -- dead or alive -- and equipment. But bringing this issue down to a more personal level, in this current age of fear, paranoia, uncertainty, kidnapping and dangerous terrorism, wouldn't you appreciate the safety level you could easily achieve, simply by having a small microchip implanted under your skin, so that your all-seeing, protective, caring government would be able to quickly assist you in your time of need? Please excuse my sarcasm!

As I have already noted, all of these technologies, that is to say, VeriChip, VeriPay, Digital Angel, RFID chips, Global Positioning Satellites, Multiple Micro Electrode Array and Brain Machine Interfaces, Smart Cards, biometric scanners, etc., will eventually morph together, and will be integrated into the computerized global commercial network which God's Word refers to as the "666" Mark of the Beast system, which will at some point, enslave the entire world. Again, I can't exactly say how soon these events will occur, but it seems to me that the final steps will be taken to fully activate this system, following some kind of international economic crisis.

What might that be?

I suspect, but obviously cannot conclusively prove at this current time, that the catalyst which will precipitate these events, may possibly be the destruction of the U.S.A., or at the very least, the sudden collapse of America's worldwide financial empire; which is based upon nothing but fake fiat money; that is to say, the American dollar. The US dollar only retains value, simply because people are foolish enough to believe that it is so, and for no other reason. There is no gold, or silver, in America's treasuries, to back it all up; and soon, when the world converts to a totally cashless society, all currency will just be binary numbers stored on computer hard drives, which can easily be manipulated by the powers-that-be.

As many of you may know, it is the stated goal of Osama bin Laden and the al-Qaeda network, to financially destroy the United States of America; because in their eyes, America is responsible for the existence of many corrupt, oppressive, anti-Islamic, or infidel governments around the world, which heavily depend upon both American economic aid, as well as American military might, for their very survival. As you may know, it has been suggested by a number of people, that the horrific destruction of the World Trade Center, more than three years ago, was a crucial step in achieving this goal.

If America's economic power was to be destroyed, she would undoubtedly be reduced to being a minor power in the world; and a new unified European SuperState could possibly take the lead in world affairs. In fact, some Bible teachers are looking forward to this very event occurring; as they are of the opinion that the rise of such a SuperState would fulfill Endtime prophecy, by reviving the ancient Roman Empire. I, however, am not personally convinced that this is a proper interpretation of the Scriptures, although I do not reject this possibility entirely either. Time will tell. As you may already realize, right now, the American dollar is doing very poorly against other major world currencies; and the United States of America has a deficit literally in the trillions of dollars. The deficit grows worse with each passing year, as the USA continues to live lavishly, while she borrows more and more from other nations, and wastes the world's limited resources. Things simply cannot continue as they are. Something has to give sooner or later.

If the American economy was to crash, it is very likely that the entire world economy would crash right along with it, in a sort of domino effect, due to the current dependency which is intentionally being created by the International Bankers, such as the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the World Trade Organization, etc., through globalization of the world's commerce, the money markets, etc. Such a crash would obviously result in an extremely chaotic, anarchic, dangerous environment, which would require the sudden appearance of a charismatic, yet very strong-armed savior on the world stage, who would possess the will, as well as the ability, to rise to the awesome challenge, in order to put the troubled world back together again. It isn't difficult to imagine that the Beast and the False Prophet of Revelation chapter thirteen might be such leaders.

If such is the case -- and this is just personal speculation on my part -- in spite of the bitter pill which it would be for some people to swallow, such as for certain Christians for example, a mandatory global economic recovery plan, in conjunction with a very tightly integrated identification system, which would be based upon an improved version of our current technology, could easily be a part of the solution, which they might choose to implement, in order to work their miracle of restoring peace, stability and economic viability to our chaotic world. Such a system would in effect be a very oppressive global police state, run by an individual akin to Big Brother, who just happens to have a demon sitting on his shoulder, or perhaps lurking inside his body. And of course, you would have to be willing to receive his special "Mark", if you wish to share in the "blessings".

Is this truly what the future holds for humanity? Time will certainly tell. Let me just say that if experience is a good indicator, then we certainly seem to have a good record when it comes to catching up with our own science fiction. More importantly, God's prophetic Word has never failed yet; and it is certain to be fulfilled to the last jot and tittle. I am reminded of a few verses found in the Bible which state as follows:

"Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me, Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:" Isaiah 46:9-10, KJV

"God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?" Numbers 23:19, KJV

"And when this cometh to pass, (lo, it will come,) then shall they know that a prophet hath been among them." Ezekiel 33:33, KJV

"I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and God doeth it, that men should fear before him. That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth that which is past." Ecclesiastes 3:14-15, KJV

"We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts . . . For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." 2 Peter 1:19, 21, KJV

". . . For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven . . . "Thou art my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word . . . Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever." Psalms 119:89, 14, 160, KJV

Even if one does not accept God's Word as really being true, recent technological history still clearly points the way in

which we are going, and where we are ultimately headed. For those of you who may doubt my word, allow me to give you an example or two.

It was just a few decades ago that maintaining an accurate record of warehouse inventory was a very daunting task; and the larger the company, the more time-consuming as well. As the former manager of a small local business, I speak from personal experience. We all dreaded those end-of-the-year inventories, because every single item had to be manually counted, whether it was on the store shelf, in our storage container, or at some other location. We each had to take our pencil and notepad, and carefully mark the quantity of each item. For the sake of accuracy and later orders, not a single item could be overlooked. Once each of our employees had submitted their completed tallies, it was then my job to consolidate the results into one record.

A variety of factors could easily skew the results; such as an item which had been overlooked; or perhaps a product that had been erroneously counted more than once by two different people; or errors resulting from a list being started by one person, and then completed by another, etc. So there was no guarantee that the end results would truly be accurate, but we did the best we could.

With the advent of small business computers and Point-Of-Sale systems not quite twenty years ago, the task of conducting an end-of-the-year inventory became less daunting; because while the tallies still had to be performed manually, thus leaving the door open for human error, at least now, those quantities could be entered into the computer database; and as each item was sold, it would automatically be deducted from the total. So, while the advent of the Point-Of-Sale system didn't fully eliminate the possibility of human error occurring, at least it did reduce it to some degree. Of course, the person who is in charge of operating the computer, must work efficiently, and without committing errors.

At this point, what you need to understand, is that the full purpose for conducting an end-of-the-year inventory, is not just to facilitate making future purchases; it is also about saving money. Please remember that most business people are in business for one explicit purpose; and that is to earn a handsome profit, at the least possible expense to themselves. It is precisely for this reason, that a lot of unscrupulous business owners will make their products out of the cheapest materials possible, and yet charge their customers the same amount of money for them. As the old adage states, and it is indeed true, "they don't make things the way they used to". For example, most shoes no longer have solid rubber heels, or even cleats on them. Neither are they made out of real leather, unless you pay an exorbitant price for them. After all, the quicker a pair of shoes wears out, the sooner one is forced to purchase a new pair, thus putting more money in the pocket of the business owner.

In similar fashion, new automobiles are paper-thin compared to models built a few decades ago; and thus it is that they are more easily damaged in a collision, and they rust a lot quicker too. Again, this subtle "wear-out-quicker" business approach puts more money in the pockets of business owners.

The archaic computer floppy disk used to be thick and rugged in construction. I still have a few of them myself. Now they are about half the thickness that they used to be. In fact, computer chassis also used to be made out of durable metal and were significantly heavier a decade ago. Now, most cases are made out of cheap plastic. And on and on the list goes.

I would dare say that the idea of "disposable products" was invented by business people themselves. Promoted under the deceptive guise of "modern convenience", the end result is that such products not only waste the world's resources, but they also put more money into the pockets of those very same business people. It's a never-ending vicious cycle of spend and use, spend and use, spend and use, etc. It is waste.

It is likewise due to their selfish desire to increase their profits, that corrupt business owners will move their offices abroad, and employ cheap labor in foreign sweat shops, while still charging their customers back home the same amount of money. Many people purchase what they believe are name brand products, only to discover later that they are no such thing. Ironically, in the United States of America, it seems that a "Made in America" movement has developed, whereby some people are willing to pay a higher price for a product, if they are assured that the item was truly made in America, by American laborers. It isn't that products made overseas are really any cheaper in quality, as skilled laborers exist in many parts of the world. People have just been brainwashed into thinking that if something is made in America, then it must be better.

But let's return to the issue of end-of-the-year inventories for a moment. It is a fact that hardcore business people do not like waste. Many of them started out being very frugal, which is why they are now very rich; so they do not like to see their money being spent uselessly. While end-of-the-year inventories do help a business owner to save money, because he or she can see what products need to be replenished, what products should be discontinued, and what products are still plentiful in stock, we must remember that company employees still need to be paid in order to conduct the inventory.

Stated in another way, end-of-the-year inventories which were conducted years ago, prior to the advent of computers, wasted both time and money, and the accuracy of the inventory could not be assured. However, with the advent of the Point-Of-Sale system, both money and time were saved, and the accuracy of the inventory also rose to a certain degree; but, there is still room for some improvement. Why? Because time can still be saved; money can still be saved; and the accuracy of the inventory can still be improved.

How? The answer is found in the current technological rave, which, in America's case, is being piloted by, promoted by, and in fact enforced by, retail giant Walmart, and others. As I explained earlier, it is the RFID microchip, which is the same technology which is incorporated into the various implantable products made by Applied Digital Solutions, as well as in Professor Warwick's MMEA microchip implant. As I briefly mentioned to you in part one, "RFID" is simply an acronym for Radio Frequency Identification.

These "wonder chips" make it possible for business owners to save both time and money. They can also increase the accuracy and the efficiency of the inventory. They save time, because an RFID scanner can accurately scan an entire pallet, case, or box containing a certain product, if each item in it has been properly tagged with an RFID chip by the manufacturer, as they will be in the near future. Walmart has already made this a mandatory requirement with all of its vendors; and a few other merchants have begun to follow suit. The RFID tag saves money, and increases accuracy, because there will no longer be the need for a paid employee to individually count each item one at a time, and possibly commit human error in the process. Just one pass by the scanner, and a crate is done!

This technological wonder does not end its usefulness in the back warehouse. According to the articles I have read, it is the intention of merchants to also position scanners on store shelves. These scanners will keep track of the availability of the item on the shelf, and notify the central database if the product falls below a certain level. In similar fashion, these scanners will also be placed at check-out counters. In this way, instead of employers having to waste their money by paying check-out personnel to stand there, and individually pass each purchased product over the scanners which are now in use, the new RFID scanner will automatically scan a whole basketful of products, each of which possesses its own RFID chip embedded in its packaging. Privacy advocates have begun to raise some issues regarding the use of RFID tags, but I don't doubt that, in the end, the merchants will get their way, and RFID tags will grudgingly be accepted by consumers.

Perhaps now you can understand the enthusiastic response by some merchants such as Walmart. Initially, this technology is not going to be cheap, but the word is that as it is accepted and becomes more commonplace, the price of the RFID microchip will drop significantly, and make it economically viable for smaller business owners as well. This is predicted to occur within a few years at best. The familiar UPC's, or Universal Product Codes -- bar codes -- will quickly become a thing of the past, as RFID chips make their way into the market.

At this point, we could erroneously assume that our tale ends here; but does it really? I don't think so. The very nature of modern progress is to keep progressing; just as the nature of business people is to keep earning more money in whatever way they can. In light of the progression of events which I have now described for you, and understanding the forces that motivate a lot of merchants, what could possibly be next in their never-ending quest to create a more profitable system? Consider the various steps they have already taken:

- 1. Original inventories conducted with pencil and notepad.
- 2. Inventories with pencil, notepad and POS system
- 3. Inventories with POS system and hand-held scanners

4. Inventories with POS system, RFID chips and scanners

As you can see, while the level of technological complexity involved in conducting an inventory has increased over the years, some level of human intervention is still required at this current time. Even with RFID chip technology, someone still needs to push the crate past the RFID scanner. Someone still needs to make sure that each product has been properly tagged with an RFID chip. Someone still needs to be there in case a scanner fails or in case the system develops a glitch. So for now, humans are still necessary; but a business owner intent on increasing his profits may look at this situation in a very different light. Consider the following:

In a merchant's eyes, humans are an expense, because they need to be paid sufficient money before they are willing to work. Humans may need to be provided with employee benefits, such as health insurance, in order to motivate them to work more efficiently, and that is even more money taken out of the business owner's pocket. Humans require time for lunch, which means that less work is being accomplished. At times, humans need to take off time from work due to a pregnancy. That means less productivity, less profit, and possibly the inconvenience of having to hire someone else to cover that person's position until they return. Humans sometimes become sick, or play hooky, and aren't always dependable. Humans sometimes don't get along with each other. Humans sometimes get hurt on the job, and that means that productivity, time and possibly other company resources, are lost. Humans are humans, and they can't always be trusted. They might form a union in order to demand better working conditions, as well as higher wages. Humans are a problem.

So if we look at the situation from a very cold perspective, and I admit that I have presented a rather chilling picture of a heartless, money-minded merchant, humans are in fact the weakest link in the entire money-making process. If you think that I have gone a little overboard in my description, allow me to share with you some eye-opening verses which are found in the Old Testament:

"He is a merchant, the balances of deceit are in his hand: he loveth to oppress." Hosea 12:7, KJV "The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender." Proverbs 22:7, KJV

"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" Jeremiah 17:9, KJV

God is certainly not one for mincing His words. He tells it like it is. So from a merchant's perspective, the solution to the human problem is to simply replace them with mindless automatons, or robots, which never complain, never need to eat, never need to sleep, never grow tired of working, never get sick or pregnant, never need to be paid money nor steal from you, never form unions against you, etc. Do you think that this is just a wild tale from a science fiction novel? Well think again! As I noted earlier, we certainly seem to have a good record when it comes to catching up with our own science fiction; and as the Patriarch Job once cried out:

"For the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me." Job 3:25, KJV

So the point that I am trying to make from all of this, is that even if a person chooses to reject the prophetic truth which is found in God's Word, just following the sequence of technological innovations which have transpired during the past several decades, and applying a little bit of personal logic, he will still arrive at some alarming conclusions in regards to what may very well lie ahead for humanity. If we apply this same logic to other areas, such as the current state of banking, it is difficult to not arrive at similar conclusions; and it ends with the "666" Mark of the Beast.

Allow me to give you one more small example which shows how technology appears to follow an ordered sequence of events, which will ultimately arrive at some pre-determined goal.

As I point out in my three-part series "Death: Final Battle, Final Victory", as a person grows older, one concern which we all have, is the status of our health, and the medical pharmaceutical industry certainly knows how to take advantage of this. As a result of the sinful nature which we have all inherited, due to the acts of our forefathers, Adam and Eve, death is an eventuality which we must all face. As the Bible informs us, we never know when it might occur. In fact, as James tells us, it could happen tomorrow, regardless of our physical age, as we see here:

"Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." James 4:14, KJV

Thankfully, not all illnesses automatically result in death; but there can be other kinds of complications which could possibly hinder our recovery. A number of decades ago, one problem which the medical establishment faced, was the fact that people would suffer a medical emergency, which would sometimes result in their inability to inform the attending medics of any special medical conditions or needs they might have. Perhaps the person was unconscious, or unable to speak. Unless a family member, personal friend, or family physician was present, who could inform the attending medics of said person's medical history, precious seconds or minutes could be lost; and that small window of time often determines if a person will live or die. If a person was not carrying any personal identification at the time of their emergency, that would complicate the situation even further.

Well, it seems that whenever there is a need, technology is always there to meet the challenge. Thus, almost fifty years ago, a non-profit organization was formed called MedicAlert. Today it is global in nature. Upon becoming a member of the MedicAlert system, a person receives a unique ID code. This number is engraved on either a bracelet or on a pendant, and is linked to information contained in MedicAlert's database. This record contains such information as any special medical conditions the person may have; any current medications they are required to take; any allergies they may have; the name and telephone number of their physician; etc. An individual is supposed to wear their pendant or bracelet at all times.

This ensures that even if they are found unconscious, or are unable to speak, the attending medic will be able to quickly access valuable information via a MedicAlert Hotline number, which may very well save the person's life. All medics are trained to look for and recognize the MedicAlert pendant and bracelet. Please note that while I have specifically named the MedicAlert system here, there are other similar services as well. Due to my daughter's diabetic condition, it just so happens that we became familiar with the MedicAlert system about three years ago. Other similar services may be just as good.

The MedicAlert system has surely done a lot of good over the years, and it has undoubtedly saved a lot of lives as well; nevertheless, based upon modern technological standards, the MedicAlert system is somewhat outdated, and it does have a number of problems. These problems are really related to the actual members themselves.

For example, what if someone's ID bracelet or pendant chain happens to break, and they fail to have it repaired due to personal neglect, or as a result of another reason? If they suffer an unexpected medical emergency, they may end up in trouble, or even face death, if they can't communicate with the medic. The same can be applied to an elderly person who may suffer from Alzheimer's Disease. If they misplace their pendant or bracelet, can't remember where it is, and then suffer a medical emergency, MedicAlert will become useless to them in such a situation, unless someone else is present who is aware of their medical history.

As in the case of the RFID chip scenario I presented to you earlier, the solution to this problem is rather clear. What is needed is a system whereby the member cannot be separated from the medical information which may save their very life. Obviously, someone must have pondered these same thoughts; and they arrived at the conclusion that cards fail the test; bracelets fail the test; and pendants fail the test. Thus, as I already explained to you earlier in this series, ADS --Applied Digital Solutions -- introduced the world to their "amazing" VeriChip product. This simple rice-grain-sized microchip lies dormant beneath a person's skin until it is activated by a scanner. At that time, it emits a unique ID code in the form of a radio signal, which is picked up by the scanner. With the ID code, the medical professional can then access the person's medical history. Once the VeriChip is implanted in the body, as far as I know, it can remain there for life. In fact, the body tissue grows around it, making it difficult to remove. If the chip should happen to migrate, that makes removal even more difficult.

So whether we are discussing improving our personal security through a GPS location device like Digital Angel; or raising the profitability of a business through an enhanced inventory and Point-Of-Sale system; or ensuring that our medical needs are properly met during a time of crisis, or tightening the security for our banking transactions; or fighting against terrorism via a stricter passport and immigration system; or tagging livestock for identification purposes; or ensuring that our beloved pets don't stray away from us and become lost; it seems that in every single case, men of science are discovering that the solution can be found in a microchip of one kind or another. Whether it is commercial products, or animals, or people, everything is slowly being drawn into a unified technological web through the ever-so-useful, and multi-purpose microchip implant, and some people see nothing wrong with this.

Applied Digital Solutions' Digital Angel, VeriChip, VeriPay, and whatever else they may dream up, all utilize a microchip. The RFID-based inventory system used by Walmart and others, also revolves around microchip technology. Smart Cards and related banking and purchasing cards likewise contain their own embedded microchip, as do digital passports. In light of these startling developments, is there reason for any of us to doubt that the final, damnable "666" Mark of the Beast system, which will some day be forced upon the world, will follow the same course, and will be based upon an implanted microchip as well? Isn't the handwriting even now written clearly on the wall for those of us who wish to see it?

To those of you who insist on interpreting the 666 prophecy of the Book of Revelation in a purely spiritual manner, it is my hope that this series will shock you, and wake you up to the awful truth. If you continue to insist on promoting your pet doctrines, in spite of the preponderance of technological evidence which surrounds you, which clearly exposes the error in your understanding, then not only will you be doing a disservice to your readers, but it will obviously prove that you are deceived by your own choice. Furthermore, you will also be guilty of causing others to fall under strong delusion as well. What if they foolishly choose to accept the Mark of the Beast "666" system when it is revealed, because they were not capable of recognizing it for what it is, due to your false teaching? How will you feel then? To you non-believers who refuse to accept the truth of God's Word, it is also my hope that the alarming information which I have shared in this series, will convince you that these things are very real, and that God knows what He is talking about. Regardless of whether or not you believe it, these events are going to occur, because God said so, and He does not lie.

So allow me to ask you: When that time arrives, and the Beast reveals his demonic agenda, and tells you that you cannot do anything unless you are branded by his enslaving system, what will you do? Again I ask, what will you do?

With these thoughts I will bring this article to a close. I trust that you have enjoyed it, learned something from it, and I pray that it has been a blessing in your life. If you have an account with Facebook, Twitter or Google+, I would really appreciate if you would take the time to click on the corresponding link that is found on this page. Thank you so very much! May God bless you abundantly!

For additional information, you may want to refer to the list of reading resources below which were also mentioned in this series, or which contain topics which are related to this series. All of these articles are likewise located on the Bill's Bible Basics website:

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