

Where Do We Go from Here?, Lesson 4

- ↳ Biohax International is a company in Sweden that specializes in subcutaneous bio-chip technology, Osterlund is the CEO.
 - ↳ The microchip that is injected into clients uses radio frequency technology similar to the chip in a dog or cat from the shelter.
 - ↳ This technology has literally gotten under the skin and is coming to a hand near you.
 - ↳ It offers you a world without keys or passwords; wallets or purses; they are being fashioned to detect illnesses like high blood pressure, high sugar, monitor vitals and send instant messages to a doctor or medical person.
 - ↳ They can also be programed to track your movements, inform people about where you're going, what you're doing, or even what you're saying.
 - ↳ Already, our cell phones have much of this technology.
 - ↳ It would solve so many of societies issues like health care, identity theft, fraud.
 - ↳ It would also enable a totalitarian regime to completely control our lives; know where we are, what we are doing, what we are saying through algorithms of powerful computers that would flag our accounts when we step out of line.
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1. Doesn't the Bible say something about this sort of thing?

- ✓ A mark or technology that keeps us under control and that we would have to have under a specific totalitarian government in order to do anything or buy anything?
 - ✓ Is this technology what God has been warning us about for thousands of years?
 - ✓ **Revelation 13:15-17** This was written 2000 years ago, can you picture that now?
 - ✓ This technology is ramping up faster than we realize, and I suspect, we will soon be facing some personal choices about this technology in this country.
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2. Are people pushing back at invasive technology?

- ✓ If you had pulled what California and New York attempted with the vaccines and the prolonged control of people's lives and businesses, we would have had an armed revolution 50 years ago, but now, people are so used to giving up their rights for the sake of convenience that it doesn't bother them that they are being tracked by their own cell phones.
 - ✓ People talk about invasive technology and gripe about it, but more and more we are choosing to hard wire our lives into a system that is beyond our control but is not out of the control of some.
 - ✓ The move toward electronic finances started back in late 40's and early 50's, the diners club card showed up in 1950, American Express came in 1958, soon after this credit card companies came up and successfully introduced the idea of revolving credit, very lucrative for these companies.
 - ✓ Today, our finances are not just electronic they are digitalized, with the world wide web, whether we like it or not, we are all dependent on electronics, digital systems, and massive worldwide banks to manage our financial investments.
 - ✓ Our finances are accessed through our phones or websites that handled the transfer of billions of dollars per day without so much as a single green back being touched.
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- ✓ We have made a massive switch from the way we used to do things and we are now moving into this area of comfort with all kinds of digital transactions.
 - ✓ We also have moved not only into digital fiat currencies like the US dollar but have also moved into currencies that are not backed by any sovereignty and are completely decentralized
 - ✓ Defi (decentralized finance) is making huge strides into the world we live in these include cryptocurrencies like Bitcoin, Ethereum, Dogecoin, and infinity.
 - ✓ These require a system of computers linked together to approve a transfer and are decentralized in that there is no government or bank that controls these transactions.
 - ✓ They have no physical backing of gold or silver and do not exist anywhere except online and are spent online exclusively.
 - ✓ CBDC= a government backed crypto currency otherwise called the FED coin is in the works.
 - ✓ More and more people are buying, selling, and giving, all through the convenience of small touches on screen.
 - ✓ Mostly this digitalized working is on the outside of our bodies; in our hands either in a smartphone or a computer that we own, but it is only a few inches from where fast-moving technology can and will have it in the very near future.
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3. What does this mean for us? Is it a sign of the end and of the end time rise of the one-world government and monetary system of the Antichrist?

- ✓ Be careful about making specifics out of general things.
 - ✓ This isn't the antichrist's system because we don't have the antichrist yet.
 - ✓ We will not have him until he makes a covenant with Israel so they can sacrifice in their temple (which hasn't been built yet!)
 - ✓ Nevertheless, this is a disturbing trend, to be sure, money will play a central role in the end time events.
 - 1) Whoever controls the government controls the world (somewhat true)
 - 2) Whoever controls the religion controls the world (even more true).
 - 3) Whoever controls the money controls the world (the greatest truth of the three).
 - ✓ The basest religion is the religion of Self. People are intrinsically selfish and self-centered, and they want whatever they think they want or need, money is the key to the religion of self.
 - ✓ Whoever controls the money controls you if your heart is set on what you want.
 - ✓ Whoever controls the money controls it all.
 - ✓ Two chapters of the Revelation speak about the destruction of the economic center of world at time of the tribulation, Babylon.
 - ✓ Babylon's destruction will so matter to the end times that it gets almost two full chapters in the Revelation; as opposed the Antichrist's one small chapter; as opposed the destruction of the 4 horses of the apocalypse ending in the death of 1/4 of the human race, they also only get one chapter.
 - ✓ The first 3.5 years of the tribulation are summed up in just one chapter, but it takes 2 chapters to discuss what the destruction of the Antichrist's financial center will do to the world. What does that tell you?
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4. The Bible speaks of two important aspects of money with regards to the end times.

1) The Addiction to Money 2nd Timothy 3:1-2

- ✓ **1st Timothy 6:10** Money is inanimate by itself, but it is animated in our hands and hearts.
 - ✓ Money is the servant of the heart, so if the heart is evil then so is the money.
 - ✓ This love of money will not only fund but also bring to full power the regime of the antichrist, and, therefore, the destruction of our world.
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2) The Acceleration of Inequality – We hear a lot about this today.

- ✓ The last days will be marked by an ever-increasing inequality financially speaking.
 - ✓ The Tribulation is a 7-year event called the “Day of the Lord” and is a time in which God will complete His discipline of Israel and unleash His wrath on a world that is in rebellion against Him. That will all come part and parcel to tremendous financial upheaval and disparity in income and resources.
 - ✓ **Revelation 6:6** Extreme inflation of currency and resulting famine. Why do things cost more? Supply and demand, but also and more so because of our inflated currency.
 - ✓ As of the end of 2021, 80% of all the money in existence had been printed in the previous 22 months.
 - ✓ It’s not those things have gone up in value near as much as our dollars have gone down in value **because there are far more of them.**
 - ✓ A Denarius was a day’s work, hard work, in the future, it will only be able to buy a quart of wheat which is not enough to sustain a family.
 - ✓ Three quarts of barley will go for a denarius, still not enough.
 - ✓ Basic staples will be outrageously expensive. (Can you picture that?)
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- ✓ **Mark it carefully.** That terrible time of inflation in Germany after WWI made them ripe for the rise of one who was terrible and caused the death of millions in Germany and elsewhere over the next 15 years of their history.
 - ✓ What will make the future world ripe for the rise of the antichrist? Money, the love of it, the mishandling of it, the inflation of it, the disparity in wealth.
 - ✓ **Revelation 6:6** Extreme disparity in wealth. Oil and wine were the luxury items of the day, and this tells us that the rich will not be harmed by hyperinflation, they will only become richer.
 - ✓ If you don’t think hyperinflation can starve you and that the rich will keep getting richer, ask Venezuela.
 - ✓ **Revelation 13:16-17** One day in the future people will be forced because of our dependence on and love of money, the inflation of that money, the financial crisis and evil of wanting to control people through what controls them (money), people will be forced to take a mark that will allow them into the world dominating system and if they don’t, they will starve.
 - ✓ A large portion of the deaths during the tribulation will be due to starvation.
 - ✓ Those unwilling to receive this mark to participate in this worldwide system will either be killed on the spot or die of starvation while on the run.
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- ✓ Those people will be ruthlessly boycotted. The ultimate cancel culture.
 - ✓ Instead of a vaccination card (that process is a prototype of what is to come), could it be "let me see your hand."
 - One of the laws of understanding prophecy is "Future events cast their shadows before they arrive" i.e., things that are going to happen in the future cast their shadows backwards, the shadow gets here before the reality gets here.
 - Socialism and totalitarianism = a shadow from the future?
 - Coronavirus = a shadow of what's to come?
 - Financial upheaval and disparity of wealthy and hyperinflation = a shadow?
 - Biochips planted under the skin to make life simpler = a shadow?
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5. Where do we go from here?

- 1) **Determine to count the cost. Luke 14:28-30, 33** Count the cost of following Jesus, it isn't cheap, it will cost you everything or the willingness to lay down everything every day.
 - ✓ When Christ is everything, everything else is nothing.
 - ✓ Our circumstances could change and at some point they will, we have to decide now who we will be in that day.
 - ✓ Determine now what Jesus is worth to you.
 - 2) **Determine to be Confident.** The wonderful news about living for Jesus is that we can have confidence that He is with us through all of it.
 - ✓ **Hebrews 13:6** I'm not running, worrying, or fearing whatever the Satan inspired people can do.
 - ✓ **Psalms 27:1**
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- 3) **Determine to be Content.** Because God will never leave us or forsake us, we can be content with whatever He provides for us.
 - ✓ The only way to be delivered from a materialistic lifestyle that will make you susceptible to deception is to be content.
 - ✓ Having God is having it all. Because we can have everything, but without contentment we will be miserable.
 - ✓ **Hebrews 13:5-6; Ecclesiastes 5:10**
 - ✓ **Philippians 4:11** How did Paul get to a state of contentment? He learned it! Nobody is born content, there is no contentment in children, they have to have whatever they see.
 - ✓ We have to learn contentment by honestly evaluating the value of temporary wealth versus the value of our connection with Jesus.
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