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“Let us be alert to the season in which we are living. It is the season of the Blessed Hope, calling for us to cut our ties with the world and build ourselves on this One who will soon appear. He is our hope—a Blessed Hope enabling us to rise above our times and fix our gaze upon Him.” Tozer

Hackable Humans at WEF: “We Can Decode Faces in Your Mind, Your PIN Number to Your Bank Account”

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Thanks to AI and the Internet of Bodies (IoB) ecosystem, decoding the human brain is already well underway, according to a World Economic Forum (WEF) presentation.

Five years after historian Yuval Noah Harari told the WEF that humans were hackable and that organisms were algorithms, Harari’s insights have been fully realized.

Thursday’s WEF Annual Meeting 2023 session on “Ready for Brain Transparency?” opened with a short video showing a dystopian scenario where employees’ brainwaves were not only decoded to determine their performance in the workplace, but also to determine whether they participated in illegal activity.

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The above video illustrates just one of the many dystopian scenarios that can occur when the human brain is no longer autonomous.

In her presentation at Davos on Thursday, Nita Farahany from Duke University explained that the technology to decode brainwaves already exists and is currently being rolled out in some use-cases.

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“What you think, what you feel — it’s all just data — data that in large patterns can be decoded using artificial intelligence,” she added.

And the devices to decode the human brain don't have to be as invasive as a brain implant.

The devices can be as non-invasive as a "Fitbit for your brain."

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"We're not talking about implanted devices of the future; I'm talking about wearable devices that are like Fitbits for your brain," said Farahany.

"These are headbands, hats that have sensors that can pick up your brainwave activity, ear buds, headphones, tiny tattoos that you can wear behind your ear — we can pick up emotional states — like are you happy or sad or angry.

"We can pick up and decode faces that you're seeing in your mind — simple shapes, numbers, your PIN number to your bank account."

The Only Generation

By Daymond Duck

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On Jan. 23, 2023, Hal Lindsey started off his weekly article like this:

"The price of eggs.... A Mall of America security guard threatening the wearer of a 'Jesus saves' t-shirt.... Attacks on the U.S. power grid.... A worldwide obsession with pornography.... Another wave of nuclear threats coming out of Russia.... A universal weakening of democratic institutions.... A global reshuffling of leaders.... Threats of 'civil war' in Israel.... Corruption in the highest levels of government across the world.... Weaponized Artificial Intelligence.... Deep fake audio and video enabling previously unimagined levels of deception.... Global economic chaos..., and on and on.

"What do these and hundreds of other things like them have in common? They are signs of the soon coming of Jesus. Planet Earth is in the throes of the birth of a new world. It's difficult — even excruciating — but it is also thrilling. We are entering the days foreseen by the prophets."

Wow, just the kind of thing one would expect from the foremost prophecy teacher in our lifetime.

Hal mentioned that there are hundreds of other signs, and I will add the following to his list:

- The rebirth of Israel.
- The restoration of Jerusalem with Israel in control.
- Preparations to rebuild the Temple and resume the animal sacrifices.
- The technology to control all buying and selling.
- The technology for the whole world to see the resurrection of the Two Witnesses and the Second Coming of Jesus.

- The developing world government (New World Order; Great Reset; Build Back Better, etc.).
- The developing world religion (calling good evil and evil good; increasing rejection of Jehovah, Jesus, and the Bible; increasing promotion of abortion, LGBTQ agenda, etc.).
- The increasing frequency and intensity of natural disasters, famine, pestilences, poverty, etc.

We are the only generation to see the convergence of all the prophecies that the Bible said will be fulfilled at the end of the age.

Here are recent events that seem to indicate that the end of the age is looming.

One, concerning the persecution of Christians: on Jan. 24, 2023, it was reported that Open Doors has been monitoring the persecution of Christians since 1993 (for 30 years), and it is increasing all over the world.

According to the group, globally, more than 360 million Christians are experiencing “very high or extreme levels of persecution for their faith.”

Two, concerning persecution: on Jan. 29, 2023, Paul Craig Roberts (Institute for Political Economy) noted that political activism is normalizing sexual perversion (homosexuality, pedophilia, etc.) and making criticizing it a criminal violation of civil rights and hate speech laws.

I agree with Roberts, but I want to add my opinion on something here.

While there has always been persecution over some issues, I don’t believe society has ever had the normalization of sexual perversion on a global scale or the criminalization of speaking out against it on a global scale, but that is where the world is headed now.

The United Nations, World Health Organization, World Economic Forum, United States, and other despisers of the truth are promoting global laws that will criminalize Bible truth all over the world (II Tim. 3:1-7).

Sexual perversion is just part of it; other things that are going to be outlawed include spreading the truth, worshipping Jesus instead of the Antichrist, some things people want to spend their money on, etc.

Society is witnessing the *birth of* unparalleled global tribulation- period persecution of believers that matches Bible prophecy: censorship of truth; prosecution of believers for praying silently in front of an abortion clinic, for refusing to make a wedding cake for a same-sex wedding, etc.

Persecution of people who become believers during the Tribulation Period will be terrible.

Three, concerning the WEF: on Jan. 16, 2023, highly respected writer Leo Hohman wrote, “They intend to digitally enslave the world in a total surveillance state based on a global digital I.D. (likely disguised as vaccine passports) and a global digital currency to replace cash.”

Four, concerning world government: on Jan. 24, 2023, it was reported that Canadian Member of Parliament, Dr. Leslyn Lewis, continues to speak out against Canada’s involvement in the World Economic Forum (WEF).

- In 2022, Lewis said, “The WEF threatens Canadian Democracy.”

- On Jan. 23, 2023, Lewis said, “The unelected WEF is not our government. Canadians did not sign up for the WEF’s plan to create agile rule-making in a post-pandemic world & the 4th Industrial Revolution (something that Prime Min. Trudeau did in 2020).

As I understand it, Dr. Lewis said it is wrong for Trudeau to be signing international agreements that impose global laws on Canadian citizens that they haven’t voted for and their Parliament hasn’t approved.

This is also happening in the U.S., and citizens could lose many of their rights at the World Health Organization Assembly meeting in May.

(More: Concerning that meeting: on Jan. 27, 2023, prophecy teacher Jonathan Brentner wrote, “If it (the Pandemic Treaty) is approved by member nations during their May 2023 meeting, it would give the WHO and its head absolute control over member nations in regard to what they deem as health emergencies. In other words, in the event they declare such a crisis, the WHO could prescribe a course of action for everyone. It wouldn’t matter if the president of a nation disagreed – the dictates of the WHO would become law in his or her country. Should a U.S. governor say “No!” to the WHO mandates, that also wouldn’t matter. The WHO would have the power to militarily enforce compliance with its health dictates.”)

Five, concerning the recent WEF meeting and world government: on Jan. 26, 2023, Canada Free Press posted an article by writer, commentator, and Radio Host Douglas V. Gibbs.

Gibbs has been on “Hannity” and “Fox and Friends.

Gibbs’ nickname is “Mr. Constitution,” and he said, “Unelected elitists who believe their job is to rule the world recently gathered at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, meeting to discuss the fate of all of humanity and the road we must take based on their visions in order to ‘save the world.’ Except, they don’t mean to save the world; they mean to control humanity and break the spirit of anyone who dares stand against them.”

Gibbs continued, “These tyrants drive and lobby policies in the United States through a well-placed, deeply embedded deep state, and they do the same throughout the world. The dark spirit of tyranny we fought wars (including two World Wars and a Cold War) against has now become the mainstream leadership on this planet, and they aim to make sure that this time they are not knocked off the top of the mountain.”

Here is a link to the article.

<https://canadafreepress.com/article/world-economic-forum-davos-globalism-woke-progressivism-temper-tantrums-and-tyrants>

(My opinion: The prophesied world government is shaping up, and it will be seven years of hell on earth. The only people that are not going to be impacted are those that die before then and those that are truly trusting in Jesus when the Rapture occurs.)

Six, concerning famine and hyperinflation (food shortages, extreme food, and energy prices, etc.) during the Tribulation Period: on Jan. 27, 2021, shortly after he became Pres. of the U.S., Biden signed an Executive Order that committed the U.S. to conserving at least 30% of America’s land and water by 2030.

Unless this is reversed, it will block mining, farming, and drilling for oil on 30% of America's lands and water by 2030.

Blocking mining, farming, fishing, and drilling for oil on 30% of the world's land and water will have a great impact on everyone's life.

At the U.N. Biodiversity Conference that was held on Dec. 7-19, 2022, under the guise of saving "Mother Earth" from natural disasters (rising sea levels, floods, droughts, wildfires, etc.) supposedly created by man's pollution and excessive consumption, the group agreed to a plan called the 30-by-30 (or 30 X 30) Initiative.

One of the 30-by-30 Initiative goals is to protect 30% of the world's land, water, and marine areas (not allow 30% of these areas to be used) by 2030.

Critics say the real goal is to transform the world according to the agenda, morals, etc., of the "Transforming our World: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development."

Anyway, on Jan. 26, 2023, the Biden administration announced a 20-year ban on mining on 225,504 acres of land in Minnesota.

Another group of U.S. workers will be losing their jobs, and Biden has already signed an agreement to make funds available to increase mining in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (sounds like putting U.S. workers drilling for oil off the coast of Florida out of work and asking Saudi Arabia to increase production).

He seems determined to weaken America.

Seven, concerning hyperinflation and a global economic collapse: on Jan. 25, 2023, the head of the Bank of Canada warned that Canada's economy has stalled, growth will be close to zero for the remainder of this year, and Canada's citizens are not going to feel good.

Critics blame Prime Min. Trudeau for running up Canada's debt with excessive spending on Covid and unnecessary liberal programs.

Payday has arrived in Canada, but most of the world is facing the same problem.

Eight, concerning the Millennium in Israel: God said, "The desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.... For in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert. And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water" (Isa. 35:1, 7).

In recent years, Israel has built several desalination plants to draw water from the Mediterranean Sea and make it suitable for drinking.

On Jan. 30, 2030, it was reported that Israel has received very little rain this winter, but Israel's system of desalination plants has filled the Sea of Galilee, and Israel will soon double the amount of water it sells to Jordan.

Nine, concerning the Battle of Gog and Magog: on Jan. 29, 2023, Israeli drones struck an Iranian weapons production facility inside Iran.

There are contradictory reports about what Iran was producing (drones, ballistic missiles, etc.), but the next day, Russia's Foreign Ministry issued a statement that said, "We strongly condemn any provocative actions potentially capable of provoking an uncontrolled escalation of tension in an already far from calm region. Such destructive actions may have unpredictable consequences for peace and stability in the Middle East."

Two things stand out about this event:

- One, Israel apparently struck a target inside Iran.
- Two, some analysts called Russia's statement a veiled threat to Israel.

Finally, are you Rapture Ready?

If you want to be rapture ready and go to heaven, you must be born again (John 3:3). God loves you, and if you have not done so, sincerely admit that you are a sinner; believe that Jesus is the virgin-born, sinless Son of God who died for the sins of the world, was buried, and raised from the dead; ask Him to forgive your sins, cleanse you, come into your heart and be your Saviour; then tell someone that you have done this.

Trust God's Timing: Soon, The Prophetic Words Of Our Departure Will Be Past Tense

By [Jonathan Brentner](#)



I love the words of Scripture. They form the basis of my hope for eternal life, provide needed assurance in times of trouble, and calm my soul during the turbulent times in which we live.

Sometimes a passage, or a phrase, speaks to me in a new way. Such was the case with [Exodus 2:23-25](#):

Exodus 2:23-25 KJV – *“And it came to pass in process of time, that the king of Egypt died: and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage. And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God had respect unto them.”*

I love the phrase at the end of verse 25 in the ESV, “and God knew.” In the Hebrew text, the word is *yada*, which in its basic form simply means “to know.” It appears 947 times in the Hebrew text of the Old Testament.

In Exodus 2, *yada* reveals God's awareness of the plight of the Israelites in Egyptian bondage just before He tasked Moses with the job of delivering His people. *Yada* appears again in Exodus 3:7:

Exodus 3:7 KJV – *“And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;”*

God saw the distress of His people and acted to deliver them.

After forty years tending sheep in the wilderness, Moses was fully prepared to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt. The longsuffering slaves were ready to accept freedom and follow the leader God would send to them. The Lord knew the time was right.

He doesn't explain why this time was better than twenty years earlier. He doesn't need to fill in all the blanks for us. We trust His sovereignty and wisdom.

GOD HEARS OUR GROANING

Members of the body of Christ suffer from afflictions of a wide variety. Some face martyrdom for their faith, others lose their freedoms, and many endure severe opposition to their faith. We all fight off the relentless attacks of our enemy.

I know several saints who are hurting because of cancer, other ailments, and grief. The afflictions of this life, along with aging, have a way of catching up to all of us.

And like the ancient Israelites, we groan.

I love how the Apostle Paul connects our anticipation of the Rapture with our signing amid the many hardships of life:

Romans 8:23-25 KJV – *“And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body. For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.”*

The Lord hears the cry of our hearts as we long for Him to appear and take us to glory. And someday soon, our faith will be sight.

The Lord is not distant as some imagine Him to be; He sees; He hears; He feels all our grief; and He will surely deliver us.

Someday soon, the prophetic words of 1 Thessalonians 4:15-17 will be past tense, and we will rejoice with our Savior in glory:

1 Thessalonians 4:15-17 KJV – *“For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be*

caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord."

There are days when it seems as though the perfect time for the Rapture has long since passed. We see the tears of loved ones and watch as violence, wickedness, deception, and lawlessness explode in our world. We often wonder, "How much longer, Lord?"

In the meantime, we rest in the fact that God sees everything with eyes full of love for each and every one of us. Is it not encouraging to know that the Lord knows all about our distressing circumstances and has our rescue in sight?

The One who has "called us to glory" (1 Peter 5:10) is ever so close to taking us there (Colossians 3:4).

A GLORIOUS RESTORATION FOR ISRAEL

The forty years that Moses tended sheep in the wilderness must have felt like an eternity for Israelites in Egypt. It's likely most knew about God's covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and looked for a deliverer to take them to the Land promised to their forefathers.

During the last half of the seven-year Tribulation, a much more frightening scenario will exist for the Hebrew people. Once the antichrist defiles their temple, they will face the darkest time in their history. In the end, only one-third of them will remain alive.

The prophet Zechariah, speaking for God, wrote these words about this future time of peril:

Zechariah 13:9 KJV – *"And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God."*

Zechariah 14:1-8 describes the arrival of Israel's future deliverer, the Lord Jesus. He will fight for Israel as a mighty warrior, destroy all the armies that will have come against Jerusalem, and establish His worldwide kingdom over which He will rule from Jerusalem. Is it not fitting that Moses referred to Jesus as a "prophet like me" in Deuteronomy 18:15-18? The greater Moses will deliver the Israelites at His Second Coming.

It will be a glorious time of restoration for the kingdom Israel. God will forever protect the Jewish people with His presence in Jerusalem (Zephaniah 3:14-20).

WE TRUST GOD'S TIMING

We often groan because of personal pain or that of those close to us. At other times, it's because of a world descending into lawlessness and wickedness, the likes of which we once thought impossible.

In the midst of the distress we feel, the words, "And God knew," bring welcome relief. We know our Deliverer is surely coming to catch us up to meet Him in the air.

As we wait, we remain confident that:

1. God is aware of the plight of all those who belong to Him. He sees; He hears, and He loves us more than we can imagine.
2. Jesus remains ever mindful of the promises we hold dear to our hearts. He's preparing a place for us in heaven (John 14:2-3).
3. The Lord will surely come for us before the judgments of the day of the Lord (1 Thessalonians 5:1-10).
4. Although God's timing often mystifies us, we trust His purposes knowing Jesus will arrive at the perfect time.
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The words "And God knew" seem so simple, yet they breathe hope into the most distressing of circumstances. Our Deliverer stands ready to rescue us and will surely do so.

In the meantime, we pray for Him to come soon.