RELIGIOUS OBJECTIONS TO GLOBAL ID
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Many Christians believe their religious freedom is under attack as a global system of financial control unfolds. This system is consistent with the one described in the Bible in Revelation 13:16-18, a system of financial control tied to one’s body, a system the Bible says God will condemn (Rev 14:9-10). The current global ID system is not a complete fulfillment of all of these verses, but could easily be considered as an enrollment process, one step away from complete fulfillment. As such, enrollment into this system causes great concern and here we will consider the basis and justification for that concern.

WHAT IS THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE GLOBAL SYSTEM OF FINANCIAL CONTROL BEING BUILT TODAY AND BIBLICAL PROPHECY?

“And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand, or on their forehead, and he provides that no one should be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark, either the name of the beast or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and sixty-six." Rev 13:16-18 (NAS)

..”If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives a mark on his forehead or upon his hand, he also will drink of the wine of the wrath of God". Rev 14:9b-10a (NAS)

BIOMETRIC ID IS INTERNATIONAL ID, APPLYING TO “ALL” (Rev 13:16)

Biometric ID will apply to all, creating an international system of enrollment, standards, control and information sharing.

ENROLLMENT–From the remotest part of the world to the largest city, people are being enrolled into a biometric ID system, through national ID, workers ID, school ID, driver licenses, passports, etc. This enrollment is happening at an alarming rate. In many cases, enrollment occurs without the individual’s knowledge, when facial recognition biometrics is used with common digital ID photos. Almost all states and nations use biometrics. The biometric industry has grown from a few million dollars to BILLIONS of DOLLARS in less than 10 years. The World Bank is using biometrics to supply “financial services” (tied to one’s body) in underdeveloped countries, and India has committed to identify its 1.2 BILLION residents using biometrics, as is China, the EU, the U.S., Asia and almost every other country.

INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM - STANDARDS, USE and CONTROL

States and nations using biometrics, have adopted international standards, so personal-biometric-financial data can be accessed, searched and shared globally. In 1995, an agency of the United Nations, the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), began work on a biometric passport system, E-Passport. The U.S. and all 27 Visa-Waiver nations now use E-Passport. In 2005, the REAL ID ACT became U.S. law, imposing an international system of biometric standards, document design, and a linked database system on state driver licenses. The standards and data network are controlled by two international organizations, the ICAO and AAMVA (American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators). Public outrage over REAL ID has prevented its “official” implementation, but almost all state driver license departments are working to comply with all REAL ID requirements.
GLOBAL DATA SHARING – Total global enrollment, identification and financial control depend on a global data sharing system and universal use of biometrics. Around the world, the creation of such a system is the goal of governments, corporations and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), according to DHS spokesman Robert Mocny who stated:

“...information sharing is appropriate around the world...” and DHS plans to create a “Global Security Envelope of internationally shared biometric data that would permanently link individuals with biometric ID, personal information held by governments and corporations.”

BIOMETRICS – TIES THE BODY TO GLOBAL FINANCIAL CONTROL (Rev 13:16-17)
The Bible warns that the mark of the beast system will apply to all peoples regardless of social rank, location or nationality. The incredible reach of this system could only be possible if adopted by all governments and businesses. Today, Mocny’s quote finds its fulfillment with the merger of two companies. Safran and L1 Identity Solutions are providing global biometric-financial services to businesses and governments. Safran is a French company partly owned by its government, and with close ties to China. Safran is the world’s largest biometric company. L1 is the largest biometric company in the U.S. and holds a virtual monopoly on biometric driver licenses and passports. As of July of 2011, L1 is being sold to Safran. Once complete, the world will have a single company making biometric-financial services available to every country, to identify every person. In the U.S., biometric-financial control is set, as Social Security numbers, collected for driver licenses are being tied to biometrics. With participation of governments and businesses around the world and as Congress considers biometrics for banking, workers ID, and Social Security cards, financial control is transitioning from paper ID to body ID.

BIOMETRIC ID & RFID DEVICES – STORING DATA ON THE BODY (Rev 13:16)
Many biometric ID documents, such as enhanced driver licenses, passports and military ID, include RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) devices. RFID devices are commonly used for product ID, animal ID and turnpike passes, but are also being used on humans. These devices store data and transmit data when scanned. The biometric/RFID ID document allows instantaneous comparison of the individual’s biometric information (facial image, fingerprint, etc.) with biometric data stored on the RFID device. RFID chips are already being used “in” humans, and other technologies, such as the Somark RFID ink “tattoo,” can be installed “on” humans. The latter, could easily fulfill the requirements of a “mark-like” device. As total international enrollment unfolds, all that is needed to justify, a transfer from conventional ID systems to a body ID system, is a global crisis, ID theft pandemic, database compromise, etc.

BIOMETRIC ID IS MOST COMMONLY USED WITH THE HAND OR HEAD (Rev 13:16, 14:9)
The most common biometrics relate to the parts of the body that are exposed, such as the head of hand (ex. facial recognition, iris recognition, hand geometry, fingerprint imaging and hand-vein recognition). In the past, a human verified ID by comparing the person with the ID document photo. Today, the trend is to accept automatic ID verification performed by computers, based on the head of hand. In Europe and Japan, hand or fingerprint biometrics are commonly used for ID in conjunction with bank, credit card or ATM transactions. Head and hand ID are becoming the dominant forms of ID.

BIOMETRIC ID IS A “NUMBER OF MAN” (Rev 13:18)
How does the personal-biometric-financial data stored in RFID devices explain Rev. 13:18? Biometric ID is literally “bio-metric,” the body being measured. For example, facial recognition uses a digital photo to “map” the face, creating a unique biometric ID number, a numeric representation of one’s body. The biometric ID number is tied to personal or financial data to
create a unique biometric identity. Considering the unique biometric ID number, one can say, “the number is that of a man.” Biometric data, stored in a RFID device and installed on a human would provide a plausible explanation for much of this verse.

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT “ONE WORLD GOVERNMENT?”
It is considered a commonly held belief by those of faith, that God has unlimited powers and Satan has limited powers, evident in the biblical account of Satan’s expulsion from heaven (Rev. 17:13-14). It should be no surprise that many Christians see Satan as needing the human tools and technologies, previously mentioned, to impose the mark of the beast on humanity. Global implementation of biometrics and the development of a “one world order” appear to coincide with the Bible’s account of nations giving up their sovereignty in the last days (Rev 17:12-13).

CONCLUSION
There are many religions in the world and there may be found in them all, some reason to object to biometric ID. Even among Christians there are many denominations and countless differing views over biblical prophecy. However, this short, but detailed account, clearly demonstrates religious objections to biometric ID are justified and those objections have a basis in biblical text.