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KAPONO: Would you join me as we pray? We praise You, Almighty God. Lord, You knew that everything was coming. Where we are right now, Lord, You knew. You knew in advance, Lord. So You allowed us, Lord, You brought us here to this church under the teachings of this pastor, so that we would hear, receive from Your word, Lord, for such a time as this. So we praise Your name.

Let our time together not be a waste. Let's put away whatever thoughts we have, Lord, and our own agendas, Lord, this morning that we would hear what You have to speak to us individually. We lift Your name on high, Lord. We thank You, Lord. Give Pastor JD the strength to continue to do Your will, Lord. All the glory, Lord. In Jesus' name we pray.

PASTOR JD: In Jesus' name. Amen and amen. Good morning. Welcome. You can be seated. Those of you online joining us, we're so glad that you are. Before we get started, though, I want to mention that our all-church prayer meeting is this Tuesday, July 1st. Can you believe it's July already? 7:00 p.m. Note the start time, 7:00 p.m., especially those of you online, because I'm going to kick it off, the prayer meeting, with a message about those times in our lives when, from our perspective, God seemingly, even unnecessarily, delays only to then miraculously answer my prayers.

Also, Lord willing, and certainly time permitting, I'd like to share a personal testimony about how and why God did this exact thing, both for my wife and in my life. So hope you're able to attend or join us online Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. Let's get to it! This is the first of two Sunday morning services that we devote to Bible prophecy, by way of these weekly Bible Prophecy Updates.

And then Second Service, which actually the worship starts at 10:45 a.m. here for you, and for those that are on the website online Hawaii time. But the actual teaching, which is a verse-by-verse teaching through the Bible in Revelation, will begin somewhere around 11:15-ish, heavy on the "ish."

So today, Lord willing, we're going to actually finish *Chapter 20*, which is a real pivotal chapter, in God's divine outline in this book. And I've titled the sermon, 'In Which Of The Books Will Your Name Be Found?' Well, that's really confrontational, isn't it?

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Well, it kind of has to be. And here's why. This passage here at the end of *Chapter 20* of Revelation is arguably one of the most sobering and serious in the entire Bible, specific to whether my eternity will be in heaven or hell. It's one or the other.

Now, those of you that are watching online by way of YouTube or Facebook, we would encourage you right now, actually, to go directly to the website [JDfarag.org](http://JDfarag.org). And with that, I want to get into the Update and what I want to talk with you about today, which is the matter of whether or not everything that's now happening is leading to world war or world peace. Short answer — I'll expound on it — is it's neither and both. I'm not trying to be snarky or coy or cute or anything like that. It's neither and both by virtue of the truth found in Bible prophecy.

Now let me explain, and then I'll expound. Jesus, in *Matthew 24:6* said, there will be increasing wars and threats of war, along with false Christs. And this will come more frequently, with more intensity, as it even now is. And this is echoed in other prophecies foretelling of this and a false peace. If kindly allow me to, I'll need to refer to two prior Updates starting with June 8th, which our amazing team will provide links to, along with all the articles that we reference. The June 8th Update was titled in question form: 'Do You Know How To Interpret The Signs Of The Times?'

However, that Update was prior to the Israeli strikes on Iran. In it, we focused on a key prophecy that's extremely detailed and exceptionally specific, found in *1 Thessalonians 5:3* about the world's cry for peace and security. It's not only what this prophecy tells us, it's also what it doesn't tell us, which is that sudden destruction comes upon them when they're saying, "peace and security." It's not saying when there is peace and security. Did you get that? No. They're calling for it. They're crying for it. They're saying it, but they're not realizing it. That is an extremely important detail.

And please note that this will comport with other prophecies about a false peace vis-à-vis the false Christ. In other words, the wars and threats of wars don't yet bring about the end. Rather, as Jesus said, the — I'm getting ahead of myself.

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They have to happen in order for the end. And these wars, threats of wars, which are ongoing, by the way, on many fronts, they don't yet bring about the end. They bring about a cry and call for peace and security. Now, let me just qualify this word from the original language of the Greek New Testament for "security." It's the Greek word *asfáleia* which can be translated "security," "safety," "stability." Hang on to that. That's going to come into play in a moment.

It's while and when the world unifies and cries for this peace and security, that sudden destruction comes down upon them as sudden labor pains come upon a woman. That's the thing about a pregnant woman. I've lived through four births. I have a profound, renewed respect for my wife, especially her pain tolerance. But you don't know when those pains are going to start. And when they do, they don't stop.

You'll forgive the way that I illustrate this, but I have used it before. It's the best one I got. So if you got a better one, let me know. So you're in the delivery room, you're in labor, and the doctor comes in and says, "You know what? We got a hold off on these contractions and labor pains because I have a very important staff meeting. So let's just push pause."

No, that baby coming. That baby coming. Jesus coming. He's coming. So interesting this analogy, this comparison to labor pains with sudden destruction. It comes suddenly, unexpectedly. Now this will usher in the false Christ referred to principally as the Antichrist, who's not only against Christ but postures himself in place of Christ.

And by the way, just a side note. There are 33 different names given for this man in the Old Testament, and interestingly, 13 different names given for this man in the New Testament. Those are significant numbers. And as Satan does, he perverts, mars, corrupts the good, making it evil. E-V-I-L is L-I-V-E backwards. He flips it around 33 was the number of the age of the Savior at His death when He was crucified.

You know the 13 and by the way, I had a — it was kind of humorous and very affirming to me personally that we had, comments sent in that — they checked a hotel elevator after I said this, and they said, "You were right. Pastor JD. There was no 13th floor. It went from 12 to 14. Where's 13? Oh, that's unlucky."

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No, wait, wait, wait, wait, wait. Who told you that? Why? Oh, see, 13 is the number of Jesus. Here's how I get there. 12 disciples plus one. You do the math. 13. 33? This is why the satanic Masonic cult esteems the 33rd degree, which just so happens to be the percentage of the heavenly host, the angels that were fallen when Lucifer was cast out of heaven. That was just a side note. Back to our Prophecy Update already in progress.

Okay, so Pastor, you're telling us that this is kind of an order? Well, God is a God of order, and we're told in Scripture foretold, better said, that this Antichrist, one of — what's 33 plus 13? Somebody, quick. 46. Thank you. Did I get that right? Let's just say I got that right. You can correct me after Antichrist, one of 46 different names, man of perdition, man of sin, man of peace, etcetera, etcetera, etcetera. You're telling us — actually, I'm not telling you. The Bible tells us and tells you that when he's revealed, he will posture himself in the place of Christ, a counterfeit Christ.

And then we're also told, foretold that he will be strengthening, or if you prefer, “sweetening the deal,” as they say. We know it as the peace deal that's already on the table via his policy of peace and security as the final solution to the burdensome two-state solution, which ultimately divides Jerusalem, exactly as God foretold in His word.

As I mentioned, the June 8th Update was prior to Israel striking Iran and all that ensued, which brings us to the June 15th Update. In this, we focused on how right now it's all going down, hence the title 'It's Now Going Down. Soon We're Going Up.' Oh, Pastor, you're so clever. No, I'm not. That's a catchy title. Nah. Don't give me any credit for it.

You know what the impetus for it was? This aforementioned prophecy in *1 Thessalonians 5:3*, which has even more details than are seen or understood at first read, one of which being the detail, very important detail of how they won't escape. Now we read past that. But let's revisit that.

At first read this detail of “they won't escape” implies that they will try to escape. But they fail. However, it's the born-again believers in Jesus who will escape. That's what makes that particular detail in that particular prophecy so important. There are several passages and prophecies referring to the pre-Tribulation rapture [Pre-Tribulation rapture] as the “Great

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Escape,” and I would venture to say that you've had someone, well-intentioned I'm sure, take you to task on this word “escape.” Oh, you're a pre-Tribber. You just want to escape.

You don't? Wait a minute. Did not Jesus, the Savior himself, say in *Luke 21:36* that pray you're counted among those who do escape [Escape?] all that is about to happen as you stand before the Son of Man. Yeah, they're not going to escape, but I am. And you better.

The Apostle Paul, by the Holy Spirit, in *1 Thessalonians 4:13-18* along with *1 Corinthians 15:51-52* both speak to how we will escape suddenly in a fraction of a fraction of a fraction of a millisecond. Don't think for a second that the twinkling of an eye is synonymous with the blink of an eye. Oh, no, it's way more faster. We will escape at the pre-Tribulation rapture.

It's these and other passages and prophecies that should bring born-again Christians the much-needed reassurance of our blessed hope. This blessed hope of His glorious appearing in *Titus 2:13*. is better understood this way from the original language. It's not — let me set this up. It's not “I sure hope.” No. It's a blessed, assured, and absolute expectation.

I hope I don't — I already did — try to help the Holy Spirit with my sanctified strength in saying that that way. This isn't — I'm not anticipating. I'm expecting it, so much so, I'm watching for it and looking up and lifting up my head, knowing that it draws nearer than ever before. I'm expecting it. I'm expecting to escape. I don't have an escape plan. He does.

Okay, now, why is this important? Well, don't get me started. I don't need any help. I'll do it myself. As believers, we're not expecting the Antichrist. We're not expecting world war, nor are we expecting world peace.

Okay, then what are we expecting? Jesus the Christ to catch us up in the air, as the Prince of Peace, not war. True peace. This is the matter at hand as it relates to how everything that's happening now, and oh, my goodness, would you agree that everything is happening now? I won't look at you then.

Okay. What's the matter at hand? Well, the matter at hand is whether or not it's leading to world war or world peace. It's neither leading to world war nor leading to world peace.

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Even for those left behind, going into this seven-year Tribulation, there's a conspicuous absence of any mention in Bible prophecy of a World War III.

The only thing that's mentioned in Bible prophecy during the Tribulation are threats battles, specifically the Battle of Magog, *Ezekiel 38*, and the Battle of Armageddon, Har Megiddo in the Valley of Jezreel, which isn't really a battle because Jesus comes and goes "Poof!" and it's over, and we're with Him, by the way. We're going to get front row seats. I can't wait.

Here's the armies of the world gathered together.

Okay. We need to talk about it being neither world peace. Bible prophecy tells us that any push for peace, peace push will merely be a temporary false peace under the banner of the man of false peace until the true Prince of Peace brings everlasting peace. This is why it's neither.

Now to the question of how it's also both. First, and this is where I got ahead of myself. I got too excited. We need to hear and heed the words of Jesus in *Matthew 24:7* about nations rising against nations and kingdoms rising against kingdoms. And the reason we need to hear and heed this is because Jesus then goes on to say, listen, **"See that you're not troubled, for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet."**

It's important to understand that Jesus is answering the disciples' questions about the end of the age. It's actually a three-fold question. The more I study it — I, at first, it was just, okay, what are going to be the signs? Well, then you look upon closer examination, and you find a two-fold question. If you look even closer, you'll find a three-fold question. And the questions were about the signs of the end of the age concerning Israel.

And so what is Jesus' answer? First thing out of the chute? Deception. False Christs. Then He goes into nations rising against nations. Wars, threats of wars. Famines. Pestilences. How about earthquakes? Oh, have you seen? Off the charts in frequency and intensity, exactly, are we surprised, as Jesus said it would be?

But the end is not yet. Because He likens them to the beginning of birth pains. You know, they start off, but it's not — the baby hasn't come yet. I learned way too much — I'll share more Tuesday night — about the female anatomy and reproductive.

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You know, I'll spare you of the details, but I'll just simply say that once that woman in labor is dilated at ten, the head is there, and the baby is born. I say that to suggest this. I think the world is dilated at the ten right now. Right now.

Now, Paul echoes the Savior in the epistles by using this analogous labor pains and significantly in *1 Thessalonians 5:3*, where He says of this sudden destruction coming down upon them, that it will be as sudden and unexpected as birth pains coming upon a woman that's pregnant. He's echoing the Savior.

Now, these prophecies solve the dilemma, if I can call it that, of neither and both. And this is how and the way they do. The world has had and will still have regional wars, nations rising against nations, kingdoms against kingdoms, which in the end, will, as we're told in Bible prophecy, be battles in tandem with false peace. If we're to take the words of Jesus as truth, which they absolutely are, why? Because Jesus is the truth.

Then it would stand that end times wars will lead to end times false peace, which in turn leads to the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. And one need look no further than to two prophecies in Daniel, one of which Jesus quoted in *Matthew 24*, again. What a chapter this one, *verse 15*, so that we would know beyond any doubt, not a reasonable doubt, beyond any doubt about world war and/or world peace.

We already know. I'm going to take you through *Daniel 8:25*. We've gone through this before, but I want to point out something that is — that just — you know, God's word is alive, right? So you know how it is when you read the word of God, and you've read that passage or text or verse, and you've memorized it, you got it on your wallpaper, you know it.

And then because God's word is alive and His mercies are new every morning, something leaps off that verse and just strikes you like never before. That's the nature of God's active, sharper than any two-edged sword word. It's almost like God, overnight when I was sleeping, if I sleep, He went in and inserted my name into it.

And so I wake up — early in the morning do I rise up and seek Thee — and I'm reading this passage in my devotional time. And it's kind of like, "JD." And I'm like, "Oh, I never saw my name in there before." "No, this is for you." "You talking to me?" "Yeah. You."

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*Daniel 8:25.* Listen carefully to this significant prophecy. **“...And through his policy [That's political, geopolitical] also he shall cause craft...”**

Interesting word. I went to the original, and it carries with it the idea of the following. You ready? Witchcraft. Magic spells. Sorcery. We'll talk about that more in a moment. Lying... let me have this one because I just, I don't — it's something about saying it that way that you lie... lying signs and wonders. *2 Thessalonians 2. Matthew 24.* They're so deceptive that if it were possible, even the elect would be deceived. That's how powerful and delusional and strong these lying signs and wonders are.

And not only that, but we're told that **“...he shall cause craft [Deception, powerful delusion] to prosper [Succeed] in his hand. [How's he going to do that?] [God's allowing it] And he shall magnify himself in his heart, [God already knew that, foreknew that] [And this is the part I want you to pay particular attention to and I want to point out and emphasize] and by peace shall destroy many.”**

It doesn't say, by war shall destroy many. By peace. This is going to go to his head because, and I'm so thankful for God inspiring Daniel, by the Holy Spirit, to pen the words at the end of this verse in *Daniel 8:25.* This goes to his head, and he exalts himself, as we see in *2 Thessalonians 2.*

**“...he shall also [He has the audacity, the hubris] to stand up against the Prince of princes. [Big mistake] [What happens?] [Oh, come on] “But he shall be broken without hand [That's another one of those] [And let me have this one too] [That's another one of those “Poof!” (Stumbling over words) “...he'll be broken without human hand.”**

In other words, Jesus, the Prince of pieces pardon me — the Prince of Peace — again, little excited again — the Prince of Peace, the King of kings, the Lord of lords. And this man magnifies himself in his heart. And he comes up and stands up against Jesus? Yeah, it's over before it even starts.

Well, now let's slide into *Daniel 9:27*, another very detailed verse and prophecy in Scripture. And I know we've covered it many times. some of you are saying, “Many times? You do it every week.” Well, not every week, but this week. This is such, again, a key prophecy about

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the Antichrist. We're told he, the Antichrist, the man of sin, the man of peace will confirm, ekbir in the Hebrew, in my native language of Arabic, which — and I shared this before — but when I was a little boy, maybe eight, nine, ten years old, I used to play a Jordanian card game with my grandfather, called Hind. And he would always beat me and take my money every time. And every time he did, he would say, “ana ekbir,” meaning “I am greater.” My score is higher, better, better.

So this has the idea of making superior, again, sweeter. Let's sweeten the pot. You heard that saying? Let's make it stronger. How about this word? I'm — if you're anything like me, you're having a hard time hearing this word, which is also increasing in greater frequency. Actually, two words: greater and better. “Build back better.” Greater. All packaged together in that one word.

Who knew? God knew. And now you know. So he will make sweeter, stronger, better, greater. Take your pick — all the above — a covenant. Wait a minute. That means something's already on the table? Yeah. A covenant with the many for one 'seven.'

What's that? Oh, come on. That's the seven-year Tribulation. In other words, this will be made sweeter, stronger, better, greater, not by war, but by false peace, a false sense of peace and a false sense of security.

Now, here's more detail. In the middle of the seven, the three-and-a-half-year mark, and this hermeneutically — that makes me sound smarter than I am. That's just — hermeneutics just means scripture interpreting scripture, which is the only way to interpret Scripture. With Scripture.

Hermeneutically, this is also in *2 Thessalonians 2*, in some ways in more detail. At the three-and-a-half-year mark, 1260 days, **“he will put an end to sacrifice and offering, and on a wing of the temple...”** Wait, that means the temple will have to have already been built by the midpoint of the seven-year Tribulation. And it will. **“...he will set up an abomination that causes desolation until the end that is decreed is poured out upon him.”**

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Okay, this is the solid, sound, rock foundation of God's more sure word of prophecy. And it has a purpose. And that purpose is to refocus our view through the lens of what God says, not what man says, not what I say. Be a Berean. Is what I'm saying what God's saying?

You know, it's actually, perhaps ironically an irony of ironies, man is now saying exactly what God, in His word, has prophesied that man would be saying. Did you get that? I wrote it down so I wouldn't mess it up. Wait. Wait. So God, who knows the end from the beginning, the God of time, lives outside of time, the creator of time, He knows already the end before it's happened. That's why Bible prophecy is history in advance.

So that's why I like to, you know, sort of humorously quip that I don't know the future, but I know who does. Doubtless, you've heard that expression, "We don't know what the future holds, but we know who holds the future." Well, here's the thing. Don't stop there because the one who holds the future has revealed, revelation, to us what the future holds so we know how this thing ends.

For what purpose? Again because it's like a series. I'm sorry to use this comparison, but you're watching, binging — I won't look at anybody — a Netflix series, right? And it's like, you know, got what, 12,000, you know, series with 1000 episodes in each series. That'll take you right up to the rapture and beyond, actually. So but you know that if there's a season 22 and the main character is still alive, you're completely calm in season 5 when his life is in jeopardy because you know how it ends.

And I'm using 22 for a reason because *Chapter 22* of Revelation is the last chapter in the last book of the Bible about the new heavens and the new earth. So we know how it ends, so we don't freak out when things start shaking and baking, and things are shaking and baking because we know how it ends in the end. This false peace, and this is important, is packaged with the false sense of security.

Do you get what I'm saying? The peace is sort of a catalyst for security, which is now escalating and revving up. And it's going to be evidenced by the following reports that I want to quickly just quote. This is last week, and by the way, Friday: old news already. It's moving so fast.

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This first one is from the Jerusalem Post. 'Qatar mediated between Israel and Iran to reach ceasefire.' Old news.

Times of Israel: 'Senior Iranian official confirms Tehran agreeing to ceasefire.' Old news.

This one though, NBC News: [House Speaker Mike] 'Johnson calls reported Israel-Iran ceasefire 'historic.'"

Well, you might call it historic, but I call it prophetic. How about that? I don't mean to be snarky. I don't have to. I mean, it comes very easily. Thank you very much.

But then there was this one. This was Thursday. Israel Hayom published this jaw-dropping report that after a four-way telephone conversation, the U.S. and Israel 'reached [*Listen*] a consensus on the vision of the two-state solution [*Boom! It gets worse*] limiting Israeli sovereignty in Judea and Samaria.' [*Boom again. And it gets worse*] "...ending the Gaza War in two weeks and expanding [*Strengthening sweetening*] the Abraham Accords [Abraham alliance] which are aimed at including Saudi Arabia."

Which we'll come back to shortly. All of which are being swiftly, stunningly, and especially prophetically now coming to pass, the speed with which is the likes of which I've never before seen. And I think you would agree this is where it starts getting very interesting.

Sky News Australia posts a YouTube video titled 'International Peace and Security possible if Iranian regime is toppled.' Enter this video on the Live Now from Fox Channel titled 'Middle East Conflict: Iran 'crown prince' plans to lead a 'new Iran.'"

It should be noted that in this 16-minute and 11-second video, Reza Pahlavi, the son of the last Shah of Iran, before being overthrown and subsequently exiled in 1979 by the Islamic Republic regime of the Ayatollah Khomeini, mentions the word "peace" eight times, the word "security" three times, and the word "safety" or "stability" another three times.

Are you tracking? I hate to use that word. I gotta come up with the new one. Are you feeling me? Is that too... Is there somewhere in between that? Okay. About three weeks prior, he posted a 15-minute and 58-second video titled 'A path to the Cyrus Accord.'

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Wait. For those of you that were with us in our verse-by-verse study through the Old Testament, you remember Cyrus was the king of Persia who allowed the Israelites to return to Jerusalem to rebuild their temple. And you've heard his name brought up in many contexts, I'm sure. But he's dubbing it the 'Path to the Cyrus Accord,' in which he mentions the word "peace" eight times again. And it's in the context of stability and prosperity. Does that sound to you like the Deal of the Century? Peace and prosperity, peace and safety, peace and security, peace and stability in the region?

The Jerusalem Post took it to a whole nother level in this publication, which is an opinion piece titled, 'The Cyrus Accords are essential for Iran's future and Middle East Peace.' You see where this is all going? This is where Saudi Arabia comes back into the prophetic picture given that their role should never be understated, if for no other reason than the prophecy in *Ezekiel 38:13*, where they simply question the Russia, Iran, and Turkey-led alliance of nations invasion of Israel, inferring that they've agreed to normalization with Israel, yet do nothing for Israel.

Why are you highlighting and emphasizing this?

Because it speaks to the transformation of all that's being transformed in order to make the connection to all that's now being connected. Can you be more specific, Pastor?

I'm more than happy to. The biodigital transformation leading to the world-wide connection comes under the banner of peace and security. Okay, so pictured here is this home page of the Digital Transformation Summit, which includes the, listen carefully, global blockchain. I'll give you a real — and it's in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

I want to just summarize blockchain at the risk of an oversimplification. It is a technology that verifies the authenticity and validity. And that's why they call it blockchain. So you have these massive computers drawing massive energy. And they have to verify everything. And if it's valid and verified, then a block is added to the chain, block chain. Hang on the word "verified."

So you've got this Digital Transformation Summit. And what's so interesting about this is that within this Digital Transformation Summit, you find, as pictured here, the Pharma IT

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Summit — oh, what could go wrong? — which is all about, and I quote 'Advancing science and improving lives through tech.'

Here's an excerpt from the 14th Pharma IT Summit conference, quoting, "We are committed to advancing the field of pharmaceutical technology through collaboration, *[Translated: connection]* innovation *[Translated: biotech]*, and education *[Translated: propaganda]*. The conference will feature discussions about AI *[Artificial intelligence]*, ML *[Machine learning]*, digital transformation *[Translated: transhumanism]*, industry 4.0 *[Translated: 4th Industrial Revolution]*, cybersecurity, and much more."

Wow. If you're still with me and not falling asleep on me — don't make me yell. I'll wake you up. I want to ask a two-fold question that we all, myself included, need to think through and think about first. Is this peace and security, safety, stability much broader than wars or threats of wars?

Second, in concert with that, could it be, now think this through, could it be that it also encompasses a false world peace, a false cybersecurity coupled with safety, from identification theft and even a false health safety — safe and effective — pharmaceutical mandate? It's for public safety, public health, peace of mind. Are you connecting those dots? Hey, the world wants to connect the world. Why can't we, as believers, connect the Word?

Okay, what — why do I ask that question? Because this world-wide transformation and digitalization of everything and everyone, and I mean everything and everyone, is swiftly being structured right now. And we covered, in depth, about this in previous numerous and voluminous Updates, so much so that it rises to the level, especially now, of needing to devote the remainder of our time together today so as to explain how all that's happening now is forming, shaping, connecting exactly, precisely with Bible prophecy. So we'll end the livestream at this time. Hopefully, you're at the website.

By way of a preface, I think it's incumbent upon me to point out the paramount importance of this push for a worldwide AI biodigital transformation and connection to the Internet of Things and Internet of Bodies.

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As I've inquired of the Lord, and the Lord knows my heart, seeking to rightly divide the Word, I have come to this conclusion. That the fulfillment of the well-known prophecy in Revelation 13:16-18 about the mark of the beast technology will be predicated upon this AI pharmaceutical biodigital ID for verification.

And here's why. And think this through. Absent this digital transformation and subsequently this digital connection, there's no way to mark those in compliance or defiance, verifying if one can buy or sell. Are you with me? Did you connect that one?

See, that's the final piece that determines, verifies, validates, authenticates. You know, even now when you try to go online, you have, what is it up to now? Two-step verification? I think I have one account, but I'm going to drop it, like 23-step verification. You have to, you know, know what the weather is, you know, which is always windward. (Stumbling over words) I'm botching it. But, you know, windward mauka showers. I mean, we live in Hawaii.

But it's like... it's just is reasonable common sense that they have to have something in us, on us in order to do this. Now, for those asking the question addressing the elephant in the room, which is basically is the vaccine the mark of the beast? You know, it breaks my heart. We still get comments, emails sent into the office, and I just want to go on record again. If I have to keep doing this, I will.

No. Not yet. It can't be. We're still here. The Restrainer is still restraining. The Antichrist, the beast, that's one of his 13 names in the New Testament, he's not revealed yet. He's alive and well behind the scenes. I truly believe that. So I want to answer this question with a question, and I'm sorry to do that because I hate it when people do that to me. But Jesus did that to the Pharisees and Sadducees. So that's my story, and I'm sticking with it.

I want to ask you this question. Okay, why are they so literally hell bent on getting you vaccinated, so-called? Have you ever asked yourself that question? Why do they want to get that thing in you? Oh, it's for you. No, it's not. It's for you to connect with me to monitor and surveil me in real time.

Let me just say it this way. It, being the so-called vaccines, will at some point become the mark. They're not the mark. They will become the mark. And just again, parenthetically, let

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me insert for those who have asked: if I took the jab, am I still saved? Absolutely. You're still saved. Absolutely.

If you're born-again, you cannot be un-born-again. And I'm sorry to use this example, but with our children, when they're born, can you un-born them? I didn't ask you if you wanted to. Can you? No. They've been born. They can't be unborn. If you're truly born-again of the Spirit of God, you cannot lose your salvation. You are born anew. And that can not have anyone try to undo. That rhymed. Just wanted to point that out.

Okay, so, Pastor, you're so fixated on the so-called vaccine, not now, but becoming the mark. Why? Well because of Bible prophecy. That's why. Can I just share one with you? We've talked about this before. It's in the 18th chapter of Revelation, during the seven-year Tribulation, at the time that God brings down Babylon and Babylon is fallen. Let me read.

**“The light of a lamp shall not shine in you anymore. *[Speaking of Babylon]* And the voice of the bridegroom and bride shall not be heard in you anymore. For your merchants were the great *[That's interesting] [I looked that up, did a deep dive] [High-ranking, powerfully-ruling, wealth-controlling]* men of the earth. *[Those were your merchants, Babylon]* And by their sorcery *[Hang on to that word]* all the nations were deceived.”**

All the nations were deceived? I'm having 2020 flashbacks. Are you? All the nations on earth, in lockstep, deceived. That was the trial run. And this word **“sorcery”** that seals the deal for me. And I don't know how you get around it. If you can, biblically and soundly, I'd be more than interested to know what kind of scripture pretzel you're going to have to twist it into to get around it.

But this word **“sorcery”** is pharmakeia in the Greek, which is where we get pharmaceutical, pharmacy, pharma. In the context of this verse, it's a potion, a magic spell, a satanic, demonic occultic practice of sorcery involving pharmakeia. You okay? Okay, then I'll move on. Aren't you glad you said “okay,” so I'd move on?

Okay. Would you agree that we're now beginning to see how this digital transformation and digital connection is being put in place now signaling the dawn of the pre-Tribulation rapture and the ensuing of the seven-year Tribulation? You know, the closer you get, the clearer you

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see. That's a firm grasp of the obvious, I know. But based on what I just shared, in concert with what we've covered for, oh my goodness, some five years-plus now, and what I'm about to share briefly, (Chuckling) the answer to this question of “is this now the signaling of the dawn of the pre-Tribulation rapture?” The answer is a resounding yes. It absolutely is. Unquestionably. Undoubtedly.

God doesn't want us to be wishy washy, as one said, but watchy watchy. Paul writes, **“I don't want you to be ignorant, brothers and sisters...”** about the rapture before the Tribulation. Don't be — I won't use the word even though it's in *Proverbs 12:1*. God wants us to know this ahead of time to prepare us, not to scare us. We had this conversation yesterday, in fact, in our family time about — I don't like the phrase 'You're scaring the hell out of me.' I'd prefer, 'I'm trying to scare heaven into you.' Because I'd rather scare you into heaven than satisfy you into hell.

And by the way, that's Second Service, a teaching that I don't want to teach. I'm just being open with you, candid with you. But it is a teaching I need to teach, and we all need to heed.

Okay, Pastor, how so? So you're making some pretty bold claims here about the answer being a resounding “absolute, without question yes.” How do you get there?

Well, one way is that it already s-s-s-subtly s-s-s-started (effects added) with what's known as REAL ID, which is yet another on-ramp to what Bible prophecy says will ultimately be biodigital ID, a.k.a. the mark of the beast on and in the forehead or forehead. Here's an official government TSA publication requiring 'REAL ID Mobile Driver's Licenses or MDLs, which we here in Hawaii had to comply with by January 16th, back in 2018, seven years prior to the May 7th, 2025 federal compliance deadline.

Boy, did I find this out the hard way. Because my nickname is JD Farag. That's not my birth name. My birth name is Wahid Fayeze Farag, which is why I have a nickname JD, which stands for Jesus' Disciple.

So I, you know, this is back when those of you might remember, you could go into the city and county, and you get a Hawaii state identification card. And so I got one with my picture, my mug. Wahid a.k.a. JD Farag. And I opened accounts. I've got titles to vehicles in the

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name of JD Farag. Credit cards: JD Farag. Important documents, legal documents: JD Farag. Well then it expired. So I had to go in to renew it. And much to my consternation, I was told we don't do that anymore. Why?

Because now you need REAL ID. Well then just make it real. No can. So I had to go to the DMV. That's an experience. I don't want to talk stink or be derogatory. But actually, there have been times where they have been so gracious and accommodating and kind and other times not so much. Make you wait for hours. You pick a number. It says 84 and they're now serving 2.

So again, I had to get a REAL ID Hawaii state driver's license with only the name Wahid Faye Farag. JD? Gone. There might be something spiritual there. Then they put a mark on it. You want to see? Well, you don't need to see. You have one too. You have to have one. If not, you're not in compliance. We'll turn you in.

So I want to just quickly quote from this official government site. "Mobile driver's licenses, or mDLs, are digitized versions of the information on physical state-issued driver's licenses and identification cards."

Okay, let's rewind to April. Route 50 posted this commentary titled, 'The Future of Identity: Preparing for mobile driver's licenses.' Quick quote, and we're almost done. "The identity verification landscape is undergoing a rapid transformation, *[Boy, you can say that again]* [The identity...] *[I won't say it again]* *[But here's why]* [It's] propelled by technological advancements in the establishment of REAL ID. A significant development in the identity verification *[There's that word again]* landscape is the REAL ID Act, *[Oh, I didn't know about that]* *[Oh, it's worse]* which is a federal law. *[It's a law?]* *[Yeah and get this]* It sets *[Here's that word]* security standards *[Wow]* for driver's licenses and identification cards."

We're just trying to protect you and your identity. You ready for this? Brace yourself. This law, you know when it was passed? 2005. What? Why? Oh, it was in response to recommendations from the 9/11 Commission. Oh, wow. That explains everything. "While it's *[Listen to this]* its implementation *[I prefer execution]* has been delayed *[I prefer restrained by the Restrainer]* by the COVID-19 pandemic, starting on May 7th, all the *[This*

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*year] travelers [Domestic travelers] in the US must possess a state-issued ID card or driver's license that adheres to [Complies with] the REAL ID standard. Where's your papers? (Said with thick German accent)*

Now listen to this. I'm quoting. "a REAL ID is marked *[Come on. Couldn't you come up with another word besides "marked"?)* by a star in the corner *[For now. I'm adding the "for now"]* and individuals *[Here it is again. Listen]* without this mark on their state-issued ID or driver's license will need to obtain one to pass through security checkpoints."

Wait, what? What security checkpoints? Oh, the ones we're going to put in place. 2005. Man, this has got preplanned, demonic, satanic all over it.

"A few states *[Still quoting]* are already in the process of developing mDLs signaling a move toward digital identity. Europe and parts of Asia are more advanced and already have functioning digital ID systems in place. Digital IDs can incorporate advanced *[Here's that word again]* security features such as biometrics, *[Biology and technology]* and encryption. *[Oh, who can read the encryption?] [They can]*

This system enables swift *[And here's that word again] [Can't get away from it]* secure identity verification *[Again]* as businesses can connect to the government database. *[Oh like I want that to happen]* and *[Here's that word again]* verify a user's identity in real time. *[Where have we heard that before?] [AI, real time, Palantir, Peter Thiel, Alex Karp]*

*[Still quoting]* The embracing of technology *[The embracing of technology] [That's another interesting choice of words] [Or like the accepting/forcing of this technology]* like artificial intelligence and biometrics addresses the challenges of identity verification."

Listen, the only ones trying to verify my identity is you. I know who I am. The problem is you don't know who I am, and you want to know who I am, and what I do, and where I go, and what I eat, and who I'm with, and what I say every day, all day. Well, Pastor, this is another one of your heavy... Well, it's not another one. They all are, especially lately. They have to be.

Can you — can we just get to the good part?

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Okay. The good news. But not so fast. I have just one more question. And the question is, what does this mean for me? All we've looked at in today's Update is a perfect prophetic fit with all we're told in Bible prophecy. And here's the answer to the question.

Today's the day. Now is the time. We're all one breath away from eternity in this, the last hour, whether, as one cleverly quipped, by rupture or rapture, I prefer the latter. We're all one breath away from eternity.

And that's why the good news and what we're going to actually be talking about Second Service is life-and-death important, not just life-and-death important but eternal life and eternal death important. And it's the good news of the gospel of salvation found in the person of Jesus Christ and the ABCs of salvation, just a childlike, simple explanation of salvation.

We'll go quickly through them. I appreciate your patience.

But I want to emphasize the A which is for admit or acknowledge because this is *metanoēō* in the Greek, which is where we get the English word "repent." It means to change your mind and your way of thinking. We have been duped, I'll even go as far as saying deceived, by believing the lie that repentance is penance. Because that puts it into the category of "I gotta do something first."

No, you don't. He did it all. He paid it all. Well, I better clean up my act before. Do you take a bath before you take a shower? What's up with that? No. He cleans you from the inside out and makes you a new creation in Christ. But He can't violate our free will.

So He has to, by way of the Holy Spirit, *para*, alongside us, *Paraclete*, woo us, lead us to Him and that *metanoia* where we change our way of thinking about Jesus Christ and what He did for me. What did He do?

Well, *1 Corinthians 15*, the first four verses — actually, the first mention is *1 Thessalonians 4* in the context of the pre-Tribulation rapture. Good news! Jesus came as a man, fully man, fully God. He died for you. He was buried, and He rose again on the third day, and mo better: He's coming back again soon and very soon one day.

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Well, wait a minute. There's a prerequisite here. And I don't mean a precondition. By prerequisite, I mean, He's wait — the whole of the heavenly host, with God Almighty, this all-loving almighty God is just waiting at the ready for us to acknowledge that I need the Savior because I'm a sinner. Because there's no one that's good or righteous, not even one, save one, Jesus the Christ who was perfect, spotless, sinless, and as such fulfilled the law for me instead of me.

You know the perfect mirror of God's law — you look into the law, the Ten Commandments — you broke every single one of them and invented more and broke them too. All the Ten Commandments do is show you: You as God sees you. And you look at yourself in the mirror and you go, whoa! I'm in deep kimchi — that's just for the locals — because I have transgressed the law. I have fallen short of the glory of God. I'm in big trouble.

Yes, you are. And now here's how much trouble you're in. *Romans 6:23*. It's so bad that the wages of your sin is the death penalty. And you're going to death row. And you're going to die in your sins. Well, that's really bad news. Good. Because the badder the bad news is the gooder the good news will be. Because here I sit on death row, and I get a message that there's someone here with good news.

I could use some good news. You know that same line at the DMV? Now serving number 2. I'm 84. Did I say 84? Whatever number it was. No, now serving number 83. You're 84. You're next, buckaroo. Good news.

I could use some good news. What's the good news, clemency?

No, salvation.

How?

Oh, someone purchased a gift for you. Good news.

What's the gift?

It's the gift of God, which is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Wait, wait, wait, wait, wait. So I gotta pay. You do the crime. You do the time. I gotta pay.

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And Jesus says, wait a minute. No, I got good news. I'll pay it for you. You are not your own. You are purchased with a price. And Jesus paid in full. It is finished. Period. Done. Gone. All your sin. Past. Present. Future. Even right now, as you're looking at your watches. It was all paid for because Jesus the Christ shed His blood in my stead. He purchased me with His blood, and it cost Him everything, even His life, so that I could have eternal life with Him, which is, by the way, what He created me for.

We'll talk about this more Second Service. But it might come as a surprise to some of you to know that hell was never created for man. Heaven was. We were created for eternity. It's not God's will that any should perish. Well then, why was heaven — why was hell created? For the devil and his demons. Not you. As one so appropriately said Jesus on the cross hung there as if to say, over my dead, buried crucified, resurrected body you go to hell.

Once you come to that place where you embrace — I'm gonna steal their word — they stole it from us in the first place — you embrace the reality and the gravity of what Jesus did for you, what can you do but believe in Him, put your trust in Him for the forgiveness of your sins.

And that's what believing in Jesus means. It's not: "I believe in God." "I believe in Jesus." No, you are putting all your trust in Him, and you are relinquishing all the trust you had in your own righteousness. I'm a good person. Oh, you might be a good person, but you'll never be good enough.

*Romans 10:9* says, **"If you believe in your heart that God raised Jesus from the dead, you will [Will] be saved."**

And this is what the belief in Jesus is the centrality of the Gospel. Because see, the A is what is the catalyst to that believing in Jesus. And the C is the result of that believing in Jesus. And that's the confessing with your mouth or calling upon the name of the Lord. And here's how that works.

*Romans 10:9* says, **"If you confess with your mouth..."** And again, we'll talk about this more Second Service. But *Romans 10:13* says, **"All who call upon the name of the Lord will be saved."** Jesus said, **"Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks."** That's the

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result. So in other words, you want to know what's in somebody's heart, what's coming out of their mouth? Bitterness, anger? That's what's in their heart. If Jesus is in their heart, what's coming out of their mouth? Jesus, Jesus, Jesus.

Hang in there with me. You're so gracious. You're so patient, longsuffering. You have massive treasures in heaven because you're going to get asked, "Did you go to the church on the windward side? And you're going to say, "Yes." "Oh, enter in, brah!"

But I need you just to lend me your ear for just a moment longer because today's "But God Testimony" was God-sent, unique. And it came into our office this last week, and it was one of those that God made — it's so clear that this fool could not err thereof that I was to share this today.

It comes from Carey and Shirley Young in Nicholasville, Kentucky, who write, "Hello Pastor JD and our Calvary Kaneohe family! My husband Carey and I have been watching you for over five years, every Sunday afternoon with popcorn.

*[That is so cool!] [I hope you have a lot of popcorn!]*

We absolutely love your insight with the Prophecy Updates and the so-called vaccinations information, and you were instrumental in keeping us jab-free. We first heard of it when my husband was watching the news showing men and women falling on their faces in China in the middle of the streets.

*[Remember that?]*

I must say we were a little alarmed, and visions of what this would mean to the USA began to fill our minds. As we watched your updates, we felt comforted as you continued to keep our eyes on Jesus and His plan, including what this all meant on the prophetic calendar. It wasn't long after this that we shut off the cable and have not had it since. Best decision of our lives. No Sports propaganda, no news, no shows with commercials to program us.

*[Brainwash us]*

We broke free from it and didn't look back. My husband works for a Fortune 500 Company that is based in Japan. When the first cases began to hit the US, his company immediately

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did what other companies did; bully their employees into getting the vaccines. Threats of their jobs were made, and even though we knew that they surely couldn't legally do that, we had to make a plan to stay firm.

Initially, they were just wanting him to fill out a COVID survey, and my husband continued to ignore the emails and the threats to take the survey for over a month. He could see the amount of his fellow coworkers that were getting these reminders was dropping because they all were succumbing to the survey.

He said that the number of employees getting this reminder reduced down to three of them who were holding out, and the emails started to get bold-faced and underlined with deadlines coming and going. His company finally stopped badgering him and said, "Since you haven't responded to our survey request, you will be required to take weekly COVID tests."

He wasn't sure what this would entail, but the tests were suspect to us as well since my parents [Listen to this] didn't get Covid until they were tested, and they got it really bad two days later. We made a plan on our Kansas farm that we would hold out **NO MATTER WHAT!**

*[That's all in caps]*

No one was going to force us to get this death shot or get any of the "testing." The more we learned from you, the more empowered we were *[Praise the Lord]* to stand up to this nonsense.

*[That's putting it kindly]*

We even determined the worst-case scenario of being arrested or worse, and we promised to stay resolute. Well, the weekly testing idea fizzled fairly quickly, and he never heard about it again. We believe that his company realized they didn't have a legal leg to stand on and couldn't enforce the consequences.

For many months Carey *[Her husband]* had to endure his coworkers and their discussions about their shots at the beginning of every meeting, whether they got the Pfizer or Moderna and their vast knowledge of the subject. With my husband's silence, he was automatically

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categorized in their minds as un-vaxxed. This began what would soon become a great divide between him and most of his 12 close coworkers.

*[And sadly, one of the reasons I knew this was God directing me to share this today is because this plays out every day in every way, not just the workplace, but sadly in the home, with family, children, grandchildren]*

Each year Carey's team gets together at a resort in Colorado or Florida, and they learn about new products and have team-building events. Well, after COVID, it was cancelled a couple of times, but the next one was eventually scheduled in the spring of 2023 and his boss told them he wanted them all to bring a short presentation of "something they enjoy or that means a lot to them."

Carey asked many times, "Can this be any subject?" Yes, his boss confirmed, this could be anything he wanted to share in a 10-to 15-minute presentation. Carey got to work on a brilliant PowerPoint presentation of the Gospel. The gist of his presentation was that their company's machines have service manuals that tell them exactly how to work on, fix, and run them, just like cars and all appliances. Then he hit them with "There is a service manual for your life" *[I like that. That's good] [I might steal that]* and he showed a slide of the holy Bible with John 3:16 and presented them with the good news of salvation in Jesus Christ. I should point out that Carey was last in the lineup of presentations,

*[Can you imagine?] [He was the last one to present]*

and the preceding presentations were all on how to fly fish, work on cars, etc. from his other co-workers and were met with cheers and claps and applause. But after Carey's presentation *[You already know] [She puts, bless her heart, in parentheses] (I'm crying as I type this)* they all just glared at him. He said he could feel the demonic forces in the room, and the stares that he was getting were worse than he could have ever imagined.

Even though his boss said he could talk about anything, one of his coworkers said that they had a private meeting, without Carey, right after about whether his presentation offended anyone and if it was HR *[Human resource]* actionable.

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They concluded that it was not and left him alone. *[I love the Restrainer, Holy Spirit, the power of God]*

Carey *[Bless this precious couple's heart]* was prepared for an all-out revival that day, [The next day] bringing Bibles and tracts and other devotionals in his bag, but of course, they were not requested or needed. He continues to be mocked for his faith, left out of conversations, and is only asked to participate in their get togethers as the “designated driver.”

But God is working. His coworkers have a clear understanding on what they need to do to have eternal life. He continues to be the light in the darkness, acting and reacting as Jesus would. Please pray that these men will be convicted soon before it is too late. We have a Facebook online ministry and have presented God’s ABC’s of Salvation every time we are 'Live.' Thank you for that easy way to present the Good News of Jesus Christ.

*[Then they included in that same email an update which is a “But God Update” to a “But God Testimony”]*

As we expected, my husband’s company that he worked for 30 years eliminated his position. Whether it was because of his Christian stance and presentation, or something else, they let him go with six month’s severance on April 1st. *[This year]*

After almost three months of praying, applying for employment, and worrying *[I get that]* that he was too old for most positions, *[I really get that]* he is able to say, “But God...” He got two offers in one day. He accepted one that offered him the same rate of pay as his previous job, a company car, a company laptop, and a cell phone.

*[Wow!] [That's pretty cool] [That's God!]*

We are thanking God and shouting it out to all of our friends and family, who were praying. We claim the verse that says, “They that wait upon the Lord, will renew their strength!” Isaiah 40:31.”

One of my favorite all-time verses about even young men grow weary, which I really appreciate at my age because you youngsters, you get weary too. But those that wait on the

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Lord shall mount up with wings as eagles. They shall run not grow weary. They shall walk and not faint. “God is good all the time! Many blessings to you and to our ohana there in Hawaii. [That's you and you] We hope to visit you there someday. [Would love you to do that] but if not, we'll see you in the air. Maranatha! [I prefer that] P.S. We have both received the exemption letter just in case we need it for our employment. Your team did a great job on that. Thank you for that. Carey and Shirley Young Nicholasville, Kentucky.”

And I'm done. Kapono, come on up. Stand up. We'll close in prayer. And again, thank you so much for your patience. I think Second Service starts in five minutes. Oh, boy. Father, thank You, thank You, thank You. Oh, You are so good, God. You are so good. You're too good. You're too good. Lord, only You, by the Holy Spirit, can take what we've covered today and apply it to our lives and bless it to our hearts. Will You do that? And especially for those who keep resisting You, rejecting You, standing in their own righteousness and goodness, God, please. Only You, Holy Spirit, can woo them and lead them. Please, will You do that, Lord? All we do is make the introduction. You're the one who leads them. So lead them, Lord, to salvation. And thank You, Lord, for salvation. And lastly, Lord, I want to thank You so much for these amazing people in this church and online that I'm so profoundly privileged to be the pastor of. And one last thing. Maranatha, Lord Jesus, come quickly, please. It's getting really, really bad. Please come quickly. In Jesus' name, Amen.