

MARK OF THE BEAST

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Those who take the “Mark of the Beast” face a horrifying future:

Rev 14:9 If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his MARK in his forehead, or in his hand,

Rev 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

Rev 14:11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

Western science now has the technology to implant a record-keeping and identifying micro-chip under a person’s skin, and by law, world governments could require their citizens to accept such an implant. There is a theory going about among some Christians that allowing a computer chip to be implanted in our bodies would be accepting the “Mark of the Beast.” So could the implantation of a physical device under the skin (regardless of its function) be that mark?

Well, a device could be implanted in a person’s body without his knowledge or approval (while under anesthesia, say) or it could be implanted by force, totally against his will. Would that damn a person to hell?

Here is how these questions can be answered scripturally:

While Jesus was casting demons out of a blind and dumb man (Mat 12:22-24), He told the surrounding Pharisees about the unforgivable sin:

Mat 12:31-32 Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of (or every) sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men. And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come.

Notice that EVERY sin except blasphemy against the Holy Spirit shall be forgiven man. That is absolutely the only sin that God cannot forgive!

John the Baptist (through the Holy Spirit) also told his disciples about an unforgivable sin:

Joh 3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

So we read that if someone rejects the Lord Jesus he will NEVER be forgiven. But wait a second. Isn't blasphemy against the Holy Spirit the only unforgivable sin?

Yes, indeed, so rejection of the Lord Jesus and blasphemy against the Holy Spirit have to be one and the same sin, or there would be TWO sins that are unforgivable!

Here is how those verses may be reconciled:

No one comes to Jesus through his own volition. God the Father, through His Spirit, draws us all to His Son (John 6:44 and John 12:32).

The Holy Spirit witnesses in our hearts that the Gospel is true, to the point that we KNOW it to be so down into our innermost being.

If we stand against the Holy Spirit's irrefutable witness, we are turning against God with the sure and certain knowledge that we are turning against His truth. That is what happened to those Pharisees. The Lord of Glory was standing before them casting out demons. Meanwhile the Holy Spirit was witnessing in their hearts, saying:

Mat 17:5 “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.”

The Pharisees who hardened their hearts against the Holy Spirit’s irrefutable witness committed blasphemy against the Holy Spirit.

A person goes to Hell because he rejects the Lord Jesus as his Savior, not because of something that happens to him in the flesh. Jesus died to save our souls, not our flesh. Having a computer chip implanted is something that happens in the flesh NOT the soul.

The unforgivable sin is something that happens in the soul. It is the rejection of the witness of the Holy Spirit in our hearts through which we know without question that Jesus is the Christ. Ergo: merely having a physical device implanted would not send someone to Hell, so a computer Chip is NOT the Mark of the Beast, not is anything else done in the flesh.

Man is looking on the computer chips; “the Lord looketh on the heart” (1Sam 16:7).

None of God’s children can ever get Satan’s seal upon them. God’s children have been transferred out of the kingdom of darkness and into the kingdom of His dear Son, Col 1:14.

In the mind of God, that was not a temporary transfer. The children of God are forever sealed with the name of God the Father on their foreheads (Rev 14:1).

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