

AUSTRALIA

ID CARD ROLL-CALL FOR 16.7 MILLION

9 JAN 07. The federal Government will start signing up Australians for its \$1.1 billion human services smartcard from April next year, using a network of 600 offices and a fleet of vehicles kitted out as mobile registration units.

The government is also developing targeted strategies for registering groups such as students, retirees and shift workers for the welfare access card, as it works towards an ambitious plan of issuing cards to 32,000 people daily between 2008 and 2010.

Chief technology architect Marie Johnson said plans to register 16.7 million cardholders were well advanced, although final decisions would be contingent on recommendations from the Allan Pels-led access card Consumer and Privacy Taskforce.

"If you look at any map of Australia you can appreciate the logistical and geographic spread that we're dealing with here," Ms Johnson said.

"We will be required to register people around the country in remote and regional areas and we will need varying equipment, such as mobile registration units to manage the registration process."

Registrations will be carried out through government offices operated by agencies such as Centrelink, Medicare Australia and the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

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The technology is amazing and not necessarily evil. It's very rational, and seems desirable and necessary in this age when there is so much corruption and violence. It's the ultimate

marking system that is evil. We can understand from the prophecies in the book of Revelation that when "the Beast" gains authority over every tongue, tribe and nation, that everyone will need to take "the mark" to be able to buy or sell. That may not sound too bad, until it is realised that to qualify for the mark and its privileges, people will have to give allegiance and worship to the demonic trinity – Satan, the Beast and the False Prophet.

At that time, the choice will be between ..

1. Giving allegiance to the demonic trinity, receiving the mark of the Beast, and being cast into the eternal Lake of Fire with Satan and the forces of darkness.
2. Refusing to give that allegiance, and to receive the mark; and trying to find a secure hiding place for 3 ½ years to escape persecution and losing one's head.

Oh my reader!

"Look! *I tell you*, now is 'the well-accepted time'; now is 'The Day of Salvation'." (2 Corinthians 6:2)

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA

"POLICE FORCE IS CORRUPT" SAYS EX-JUDGE

11 JAN 07. Victoria's police force is riddled with "deep-seated and continuing corruption" that will only be flushed out by a powerful and wide-ranging royal commission.

Don Stewart, one of the nation's most respected judicial figures, says Victoria Police and the Bracks Labor Government oppose a royal commission because they do not want the extent of corruption within the force made public

"They know that it would reveal what they don't want revealed," says the former Supreme Court judge and founding head of Australia's first national crime agency.

Dismissing arguments that dirty police are already being driven out of the force through the courts, he says the recent convictions of senior Victorian officers on corruption charges are "the tip of the iceberg".

"The arrest of some corrupt police only proves that corruption is deep-seated and continuing," Mr Stewart says in a book to be published in March.

A Victoria Police spokesman said: "Justice Stewart is entitled to his opinion, however, Victoria Police has a proven track record in not only identifying corruption but also successfully investigating and prosecuting corrupt officers."

Victoria Police was criticised by one of its own corruption investigators in October for failing to investigate adequately up to 24 allegedly corrupt officers in the force. - By Gary Hughes /The Australian 11 Jan 07 / by permission NewsCorp

Corruption is one of the signs of the times. The Messiah, Y'shua, said:

“Just as it was in the days of Noah, so also will it be in the days of *the return of the Son of Man*:” (Luke 17:26)

“Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight; the earth was full of violence. God saw how corrupt the earth had become; for all humanity on the earth had corrupted its ways. Then God said to Noah, 'The end of all people has *now* come before Me; for the earth is filled with violence because of them. Watch! I am about to destroy them *along* with the earth'.” (Genesis 6:11-13)

Corruption is rife all around the world, and in all areas of society in varying degrees – in governments, in the police, the army, the commercial world, the United Nations, and in education and health; its in entertainment, arts, and social and religious systems; and its even in international aid organisations.

In Psalm 14, David lamented the moral foolishness and corruption of the whole human race and longs for the establishment of the righteous kingdom of God on earth.

“The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God.'

They have acted corruptly; they have committed vile deeds.

There is no one who does good.

YHWH has looked down from heaven upon the sons of men,

to see if there is a wise one, seeking God.

They have all turned aside; together they have become filthy.

There is no one who does good, not even one ...

O that the salvation of Israel *would come* out of Zion!” (Psalm 14:1-7)

It's as we read in the New Testament:

“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”(Romans 3:23)

And “the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in the Messiah, Y'shua our Master.” (Romans 6:23)

For “The LORD is ... not wanting anyone to perish, but for everyone to come to repentance.” (2 Peter 3:9)