# Figtreewatchers Podcast Episode 130: Covenant School Shooting, Sensationalism, CBDC Adoption, & Amazon Palm Scanners in Panera

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**Episode Summary:** In this episode we discussed the recent shooting at Covenant School in Nashville, Tenessee and how this may be a smaller picture of growing Christian persecution in the US. We then referenced an article from Harbingers Daily about how bible prophecy is oftentimes sensationalized. The ever-increasing move towards a CBDC was also discussed along with Panera's implementation of Amazon's Amazon One Hand Scanners. We then ended off with an article that called the Premillennial view an extremist Christian belief.

#### **Episode Link:**

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### **Current Events**

### **Bible Prophecy**

Harbingers Daily | Hype At The Expense Of The Truth: Trusted Ministry Leader Warns Against The Dangers Of Sensationalism | March 30th, 2023

### Culture

<u>Harbingers Daily</u> | Growing Hatred Of Christians In America — An Evil Signpost On The Road To Armageddon | March 28th, 2023

#### Financial

<u>Cryptoslate</u> | ECB president warns central banks could "losing control" without CBDCs | March 28th, 2023

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<u>Himitsu</u> | Panera to Begin Using Amazon's Amazon One Palm-Scanning Payment Technology | March 28th, 2023

PCMag | Soup, Salad, and Biometrics? Panera Rolls Out Amazon One Palm Payments | March 23rd, 2023

Bitcoinist | Nigerian CBDC eNaira Adoption Spikes Due To Cash Shortage | March 23rd, 2023

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# **Encouraging Passages**

- Titus 2:13
- James 5:7-8
- 2 Peter 3:10-13
- 1 John 3:2-3
- 2 Timothy 1:7
- Philippians 4:6-8

# **The Gospel Presentation**

Revelation 19:10 tells us that the essence of bible prophecy is Jesus Christ. These things were revealed to us so that we ultimately believe in Christ (John 13:19). We've all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God (Psalm 51:5, Romans 3:23). Because God is Holy he must judge sin. The penalty of this sin is death and ultimately the Lake of fire (Romans 6:23, Revelation 20:11-15). There's nothing we can do to save ourselves (Isaiah 64:6).

But God, in his love has provided a way to escape his wrath through Christ (John 3:16-18, John 14:6). Jesus paid for our sin penalty by taking God's wrath in our stead on the cross (Romans 5:8). He died for our sins, was buried, and rose again 3 days later (1 Corinthians 15:1-5).

You can accept this free gift of salvation by believing in Christ (Acts 16:30-31, Romans 6:23, Ephesians 2:8-9). Make sure you've made the right decision about Jesus today (2 Corinthians 6:2)! It will be the most important decision of your life, for eternal life.