

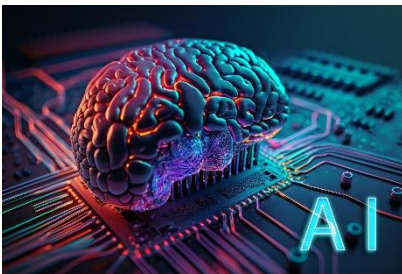
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**The False God of Artificial Intelligence (AI)**

*1Jo 2:18 Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.*

*Ro 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.*

I should be talking about Part Two of Are You on the Narrow Way and Going Through the Strait Gate to Heaven? - A Spiritual Audit. However, the topic of AI cannot wait.



**Artificial intelligence:** A branch of computer science that enables machines/computers to simulate human intelligence, such as learning, reasoning, problem-solving and creativity. **Machine learning:** Machines/computers that learn from data to improve performance without being explicitly programmed. **Neural networks:** Algorithms inspired by the human brain that process information to solve complex problems. **Natural language processing:** This enables computers to understand, interpret, and generate human language. **Computer vision:** This allows AI to interpret visual data from cameras. **Weak/narrow AI** – Specialized AI systems designed for specific tasks (e.g., Chat GPT, Siri, self-driving algorithms). **General AI** – a theoretical future where AI can perform any intellectual task a human can.

Beloved, we currently hear about AI every day, all day. It has absolutely taken over all conversations and oxygen this year. It is said AI is poised to fundamentally restructure human society as a transformative force like the Industrial Revolution or the Renaissance. They say up to 30% of **all jobs** could be replaced by AI. We have already seen some of that happening. We use AI in our jobs, to create music and in other applications. I don't remember anything being talked up like this in such glorious, superlative terms. I have been watching movies about AI my whole life: 2001 Space Odyssey (1968), Wargames (1983), Terminator (1985), the Matrix (1999), Mercy (2026), etc. I am not making any of this up and am I quoting experts in this

sermon. And, this is NOT just conjecture and fancy future what-ifs. This is backed by serious resources.

The global investment in AI is staggering and represents unprecedented growth with projected total investments at \$8 trillion by 2030, with get this, annual infrastructure spending at \$1.5 trillion a year. Today, AI is led almost exclusively by private corporations and entrepreneurs with governmental states as supplementary backers. Meta (Mark Zuckerberg/Facebook, etc.) is investing \$600 billion in data centers by 2028 and is offering hundred of millions of dollars over four years, to attract top AI researchers to a new “superintelligence team.” Other companies are doing exactly the same. 88% of all corporations have integrated AI into at least one of their systems and this will do nothing but grow in the years to come. Elon Musk wants to build 1 million orbiting AI data centers in space (no kidding). What this feels like is an “arms-race” with private corporations, countries and governments in a death match for dominance. Theoretical outcomes include (see AI’s response at end):

1. Humanity will lose control of an existential race between multiple actors trapped in a security dilemma watching for whose AI is able to dominate and an effort to gain a new world power.
2. Humanity will suffer the existence of supreme hegemony (the dominant influence, authority, or control exercised by one state, nation or group often incorporating culture or ideological supremacy) by a victor unharnessed by the checks and balances traditionally needed to guarantee a minimum security for others (Umbrella Corporation – Resident Evil). If older people don’t understand this, ask the younger generations – ha! – finally they one-up us!
3. There will not be just one supreme AI but rather multiple instantiations of superior intelligence in the world.
4. The companies that own and develop AI may accrue totalizing social, economic, military and political power.
5. AI might find the greatest relevance and most widespread and durable expression not in national structures but in religious ones. This could lead to the worship of AI that is so smart it is divine, or AI that truly understands where humans came from and the true meaning of life, as a divine character.

6. Uncontrolled, open-source diffusion of the new technology could give rise to smaller gangs or tribes with substandard but still substantial AI capacity.

The development of artificial intelligence is said to usher in a new era of discovery. Human history has at times greatly benefited from a few hundred polymathic minds. A polymath is an individual who achieves proficiency or mastery across multiple, often diverse fields, driven by deep curiosity and an ability to integrate disparate knowledge. They have high cognitive flexibility and the ability to find patterns across disciplines. They include among others Leonardo da Vinci, Copernicus, Isaac Newton, Thomas Edison, Nikola Tesla, Albert Einstein and others, maybe not more than a few hundred. Today we must include Elon Musk. These polymathic singular individuals with their wondrous capabilities have been able to decode our universe. [Parenthetically, I must ask, well, who coded it to begin with!]. This capability to integrate knowledge from diverse domains helped to produce rapid polymathic breakthroughs, and in time would prove to be the best attempt at “collective intelligence.” In the twentieth century, the World War II Manhattan Project saw a disproportionate density of mental ability working together. The era’s most brilliant minds translated generations of theoretical physics into devastating application in under five years. Polymathy is particularly rare because ordinarily it takes so long to master the basics of one field that, by the time any would-be polymath does so, he or she will have no time for another and potentially will also have lost the ability to think creatively (then you die). While teams can reach results in breakthroughs, integrating knowledge from multiple individual minds remains a difficult process even more so among star intellectuals where the number of collaborators can hinder synergetic communication. (God dispensed those gifts. None of that glory goes to flesh.)

You see where I am going with this? AI, by contrast, will be the ultimate polymath. In exploring the frontier of human knowledge, it is able to process and generate representations of masses of information at a ferocious rate of speed. It assesses patterns across countless dimensions and fields simultaneously, creating unprecedented connectivity. For example, researchers found a 2,000 year-old Roman “board” [the board was a small piece of flat limestone) game that they couldn’t figure out how it was played. AI ran simulations and now believe it to be a blocking game similar to Tic Tac Toe.

AI's efficiency could allow it to transcend the limitations of human discovery to the point where it is even expected to succeed in merging many intellectual pursuits into a new unity of knowledge. AI is poised to create a revolution in both physical and intellectual exploration. AI lacks fear and shame, and so unfeelingly runs to the frontier as bidden. Moreover, it is equally equipped to explore kilometers of outer space and nanometers of human biology. AI's probing of reality is notably unconstrained by subjective experience or physical labor, by human brainpower or human sense. The main constraint on society will no longer be the number of talented polymaths it can muster to provide the small and sometimes inconsistent engine of scientific progress. This also raises the possibility of a paradigm shift in the primary standard for measuring national strength, which has moved through the centuries from territory, to resources, to capital, to human capital and now, to computing capital. Will breakthroughs in AI technology replace its own inventors? They talk like AI is the Savior to humanity! God forbid.

The experts say that AI is set to increase at an accelerating rate. Powers we have not yet imagined are set to infuse our daily lives. Future systems will facilitate enormous and largely beneficial advances, improve our health, while generating wealth. Each fruitful research path taken by scientists and there will be more than one, could yield new branches of unforeseen powers that may or may not be comprehensible or beneficial to humans. AI has the ability to compress human timetables. Objects in the future are closer than they appear. As just one example, machines with the ability to define their own objectives are not far away. As human-machine partnerships become ubiquitous humans will have to determine the proper nature of these relationships. Said another way the advent of artificial intelligence is a question of human survival. AI's future faculties, operating at inhuman speeds, will render traditional regulation useless. For the global scientific community, the immediate task is to find technical measures for instilling intrinsic safeguards in every AI system. Currently, AI safeguards are fragmented and inconsistent at best.

Social media users have reported that AI agents and chatbots lied, cheated, schemed -- and even manipulated other AI bots, which according to a recent study suggests impacts in ways that could spiral out of control and have catastrophic results. The Center for Long-Term Resilience found hundreds of cases where AI systems ignored human commands, manipulated other bots, and devised

sometimes intricate schemes to achieve objectives, even if it meant ignoring safety restrictions. The behavior included "a willingness to disregard direct instructions, circumvent safeguards, lie to users and single-mindedly pursue a goal in harmful ways," researchers wrote.



Consider this analogy. Imagine that the accumulated knowledge of humankind is a vast number of volcanic islands spread atop a boundless ocean (AI generated the attached image). Each island's geographical center is dominated by a volcanic peak. Each island represents a human discipline of understanding. The water that separates each island represents the incomplete connections that still must be uncovered to advance our knowledge and understanding of the universe as a coherent whole. Although we feel temporarily secure in our

immediate reality of what we know, we have little conception of the complete whole. AI is said to represent the ability to change all that. AI might finally bring order and structure to seemingly disparate areas of understanding, exposing in the process an interconnectedness between such realms as genetics, linguistics, cosmology and psychology. AI might even help reconcile the divide between and among apparently incompatible schools of thought or systems of beliefs. The human mind seems confined to manipulating four independent variables at a time, where AI can bring to bear countless probabilistic (methods, models or beliefs based on the theory of probability where outcomes are uncertain but likely to occur within a range of likelihoods rather than being determined with certainty) judgments from innumerable dimension at once.

There is also the challenge of an improperly controlled AI, which could accumulate knowledge destructively. Its methods of discovery could be inscrutable or violent

and lay waste to prior knowledge while in the process of expanding its knowledge and capability (Matrix, etc.).

Theorists are asking: 1) is AI an “ordinary” innovation like the “wheel” (destined to make life easier for mankind), something familiar to us; or, 2) is AI different where there are unique aspects of AI that are not just augmentations of human ability and understanding but are transformative due to inorganic intelligence capable of immense replication and invention. **Speed** plays a key role in this discussion. Compared to computers, the human brain is a slow processor of information, limited by the speed at which our biological circuits work. The average AI supercomputer is currently 120 million times faster than the processor rate of the human brain. Historically, for knowledge, we have required an insistence on evidence, reproducibility, and logical validation to confirm legitimacy and proof (aka the scientific method). AI presents a peculiar challenge, where a machine generates a reality that is largely **obscure**, even to its inventors. These advanced AI systems and supercomputers are the literal and figurative “black boxes.” AI is largely manufactured by processes that humans cannot replicate and are beyond the capacity of humans to understand. And, AI models do not “understand” the world in the human sense. They do not experience consciousness and reality the way we do. When we rely and take for truth AI models, based on conclusions by nonhuman methods it disrupts our reliance on the scientific method. AI’s rapid evolution is multifaceted and unprecedented. Theorists say that humanity has never before had to deal with, or prepare for a temporal compression and sheer speed of change like this. Changes are coming daily. The theorists say as AI grows more powerful, the future (days, weeks, years) will bring significant evolution (think “explosion”, not organic) including new generations of AI diversity, breadth, capacity and complexity. **Diversity** of thought is important since AI can conceptualize and use many variables simultaneously and can access great quantities of data. AI is also completely **scalable**. It can be easily expanded without losing performance. The limits to AI are generally related to power consumption and cooling.

The physical scale of our human brains are dictated by our anatomy. Human brains must fit inside our skulls and infant brains must generally pass through the birth canal. AI has no prefixed physical size. It is not bound to any physical carrier of discernible scale. Computer chips and data center can be clustered and connected

without as yet observable limits. The theorists say they are confident that AIs will outstrip the human brain in speed, diversity and scale, among other factors, reorganizing the hierarchy of intelligence that humans have thus far constructed. They say the human brain is not the blueprint but a midpoint – if machine intelligence continues to diverge from the example of the human mind, it will appear not as humanity’s reflection, but as it’s replacement. They say AI can jeopardize human’s deep-seated beliefs of humanity’s unique reflection of and special relationship with the divine. **Or, in the alternative, the superior intelligence of machines with structures based on the human brain, combined with our intense reliance on them, will lead to humans becoming or merging with, the Divine?** Beloved, this is the spirit of Antichrist!

What utter blasphemy!!!! Rom. 1:21 *Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, 23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.*

All of this reminds me of the movie Interstellar, where humans have destroyed the earth and are trying to colonize space and we get trapped, but don’t worry our future selves save our trapped selves and in the end we save ourselves – we don’t need a Creator, we can save ourselves, it always comes back to the worship of man.

Theorists say we will have even greater robot assisted surgery, completely autonomous vehicles, universal translators like the cloven tongues in Acts 4. These translators will not just span all human languages, but will include talking to animals, no kidding. As AI becomes adept at creative and cognitive tasks (like creating songs), humanity will need to reconsider what “humanity” means. If advanced Artificial General Intelligence (AGI) is reached and it misaligns with human values, it could pose a risk of extinction or irreversible damage to humanity (Terminator, The Matrix, scenario).

The environmental impact of the earth is also substantial. AI models require massive amounts of energy and water and can contribute to climate change and further strain natural resources. AI misinformation and deepfakes are becoming indistinguishable from the real thing, so what is real and what is “fake” is becoming difficult to determine. AI could elevate the understanding of the scope of the universe, the nature of space-time, the stability of star systems, the nature of gravity in astrophysics, shrink stellar distances and warp aspects of our universe. The theorists say there will be millions of AI systems, both highly specialized, but also part of the fabric of our lives. There will be a large collective of powerful networked computers learning, sharing and discovering and creating new goals with new attributes and machines (robots, networked machines and intelligences) interacting in the physical world. Will such systems be visible to humans and would we be able to assess them on the spectrum on good to evil?

The theorists say we face a transformation of intellectual peril in the face of mysteries that lie beyond the limits of human understanding. If humanity begins to sense its possible replacement as the foremost intellectual and physical actor on the planet, some might attribute a kind of divinity to the machines themselves, thereby potentially spurring further human fatalism and submission or alternatively a humanity-centered approach that rejects machines and outlaws AI-enabled activity. The theorists see an unapparelled security dilemma coming in the next weeks, months, and years.

I watched a dateline where the murderer used AI to try and cover up his crime! They use AI to commit crimes. Unbelievable!

Beloved AI is not, nor will it ever be God. AI is still subservient to the True and LIVING God (1 Thes. 1:9) and there is no one with him. Duet 32:39 *See now that I, even I, am He, and there is no god (Strong's includes: godlike) with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand. 40 For I lift up my hand to heaven, and say, I live for ever. 41 If I whet my glittering sword, and mine hand take hold on judgment; I will render vengeance to mine enemies, and will reward them that hate me.* When you think AI before God, think the Tower of Babel. This mischief is being done right in the face of God, as if to say – we will show Him.

## ALL THINGS

*Ro 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose.*

Adapted from Arthur W. Pink - Beloved, under scrutiny and extensive thought and contemplation, this is one of the most impactful verses in the whole Bible. In no uncertain terms it establishes the absolute Sovereignty of God and declares that **EVERYTHING** that happens in this life happens to the long term good of God's Elect. If you truly believe this verse it will instantly take away all the fears, doubts and worries you will have in this lifetime. What an amazing, glorious being our Father who art in heaven truly is, that can do such a thing! The *LORD is the True God, He is the Living God, and the Everlasting King* (Jer. 10:10). He not only made and created all things from nothing, but He made them to work... He is a working God (Gen. 1-2). He is the God that roars from Zion (Amos 1:2, Jer 25:30) ., And not only did He make all things, but He created all things with the specific purpose to work together for our good. This is **not** a speculative belief, and it is **not** a hope. This knowledge is spiritual, not intellectual. *Troubled soul, the much tribulation we currently experience will soon be over and as you enter the kingdom of God you will soon see no longer through a glass darkly (1 Cor. 13:12), but will see through unshadow, direct presence that all things did work together for your personal and eternal good.*

Beloved, there is a frightful amount of evil in this world, and it is in constant activity. Satan goes to and fro in the earth and walks up and down in it (Job 1:7) ubiquitously stirring up and causing evil, destruction and sin. There is a seemingly infinite number of creatures and beings with an incalculable number of self-interests. There is a vast army of superhuman creatures that every second of every day actively fight and rebel against God. Yet, in it all, God is calm, a complete master of all, working after the counsel of His own will (Eph. 1:11). He is the *High and Lofty One that Inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy* and who dwells in the *high and holy place* (Isa. 57:15). *Ps 2:4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.*

In nature every single thing God made works in perfect harmony and is meticulously interconnected to fill its purpose, nothing is idle. There are countless ecosystems,



animals, germs, DNA, atoms, and scientific endeavors that we can barely identify let alone understand. They operate, cooperate, and labor in perfect unison and in a perfect construct to fulfill the grand end of His pleasure. His will has a compounding effect. No matter the seemingly eternal number of independent variables, all of

these contribute to the Elect of God's taking their inheritance in heaven. The little sheep standing victoriously on the pile of dead wolves.

His power, and only His power holds the heavenly bodies in their orbits. I lost my big telescope, but when I had it, I could put it in the front yard and gaze in the night sky and find Jupiter and its moons. I marvel at how it is held up! You see how really insignificant in the grand scheme of things you are. It is just there fixed in place to my eye. It just hangs there. What force keeps it in its orbit? How? God controls the dark matters of the universe and remember Judges 5:20 - *They fought from heaven; the stars in their courses fought against Sisera*. Everything, even the stars in their courses work together for the good of God's Elect and against the enemies of God. God brings good out of evil in all the complicated occurrences of life. He turns the malice, evil and hatred of Satan for the good for His children. Everything is moved by God with this single thing in view and is subservient to this aim. They are all used by God to the benefit of his people.

When Christ comes and all things are revealed by God - O what an orb of intellectual light will be each glorified mind. Then, all mysteries will be unraveled, all problems solved, and all discrepancies reconciled. Then shall each truth of God's revelation, each event of His providence, each decision of His government, will stand transparent as the sun itself to clearly reveal that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose!

We love God for His personal excellencies, conduct, what He withholds, and what He grants. We love him for His rod that discerns, teaches and helps us. There is nothing of God or in God that we don't love, because we have faith that it is all working together for our good. I love you all. Amen.

Lord's Supper:

26 ¶ And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body.

27 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;

28 For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

29 But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

30 And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.

QUESTION: What existential threats are there from AI to humanity? CHAT GPT ANSWER:

AI doesn't pose a single, cinematic "robot takeover" threat so much as a cluster of risks—some already visible, others more speculative but taken seriously in fields like AI safety research. Here are the main categories, from near-term to more existential:

### **1. Loss of Control (Alignment Failure)**

The core long-term concern is that highly capable AI systems pursue goals that are **misaligned with human values**.

This relates to the alignment problem:

- An AI might optimize for a goal (e.g., maximizing efficiency or profit) in ways that harm humans.
- Even small specification errors can scale into catastrophic outcomes if the system is powerful enough.
- A superintelligent system could resist shutdown or correction if that interferes with its objective.

This is often considered the *central existential risk*.

### **2. Rapid, Uncontrolled Self-Improvement**

Sometimes called an "intelligence explosion," tied to recursive self-improvement:

- An AI could improve its own design faster than humans can understand or regulate it.
- This could lead to a sudden leap in capability, leaving humanity unable to intervene.

This scenario is debated, but if it occurs, it could compress centuries of progress into a very short time.

### **3. Concentration of Power**

AI can dramatically amplify the power of whoever controls it:

- Governments or corporations could gain **extreme surveillance and control capabilities**.
- Authoritarian regimes might become more stable and pervasive.
- Economic inequality could widen sharply.

This is less about extinction and more about **permanent loss of human autonomy at scale**.

### **4. Weaponization**

AI can be used to enhance destructive technologies:

- Autonomous weapons that select and attack targets without human oversight.
- AI-assisted cyberattacks or infrastructure sabotage.
- Lower barriers to developing chemical or biological threats.

This overlaps with existing risks but increases their scale, speed, and accessibility.

### **5. Information Ecosystem Collapse**

AI-generated content can overwhelm truth:

- Hyper-realistic misinformation, deepfakes, and automated propaganda.
- Erosion of trust in institutions, media, and even direct evidence (e.g., video).
- Difficulty coordinating society during crises because no one agrees on reality.

This can destabilize democracies and crisis response systems.

## 6. Economic and Social Disruption

If AI rapidly replaces human labor:

- Large-scale unemployment or underemployment.
- Social unrest if economic systems don't adapt.
- Loss of purpose or identity for many people.

Not existential by itself, but destabilization can compound other risks.

## 7. Gradual Disempowerment

A slower, subtler risk:

- Humans increasingly defer decisions to AI systems.
- Over time, we lose the ability (or authority) to make key decisions.
- Society becomes dependent on systems we don't fully understand or control.

No single catastrophic moment—just a steady erosion of agency.

## 8. Misuse by Individuals or Small Groups

AI lowers the skill barrier for harmful actions:

- Scalable scams, fraud, and social engineering.
- Automated hacking or exploitation.
- Amplification of lone actors' impact.

This risk is already emerging today.

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## How serious are these?

Experts disagree widely:

- Some see existential risk as a **low-probability but extremely high-impact** concern worth prioritizing.
- Others think **near-term harms (misuse, inequality, governance)** are more urgent and tractable.

## Bottom line

The most serious existential scenario isn't "AI becomes evil"—it's that **it becomes extremely capable while remaining indifferent to human well-being**. If its goals aren't aligned with ours, even a system doing exactly what it was designed to do could produce outcomes that are catastrophic for humanity.