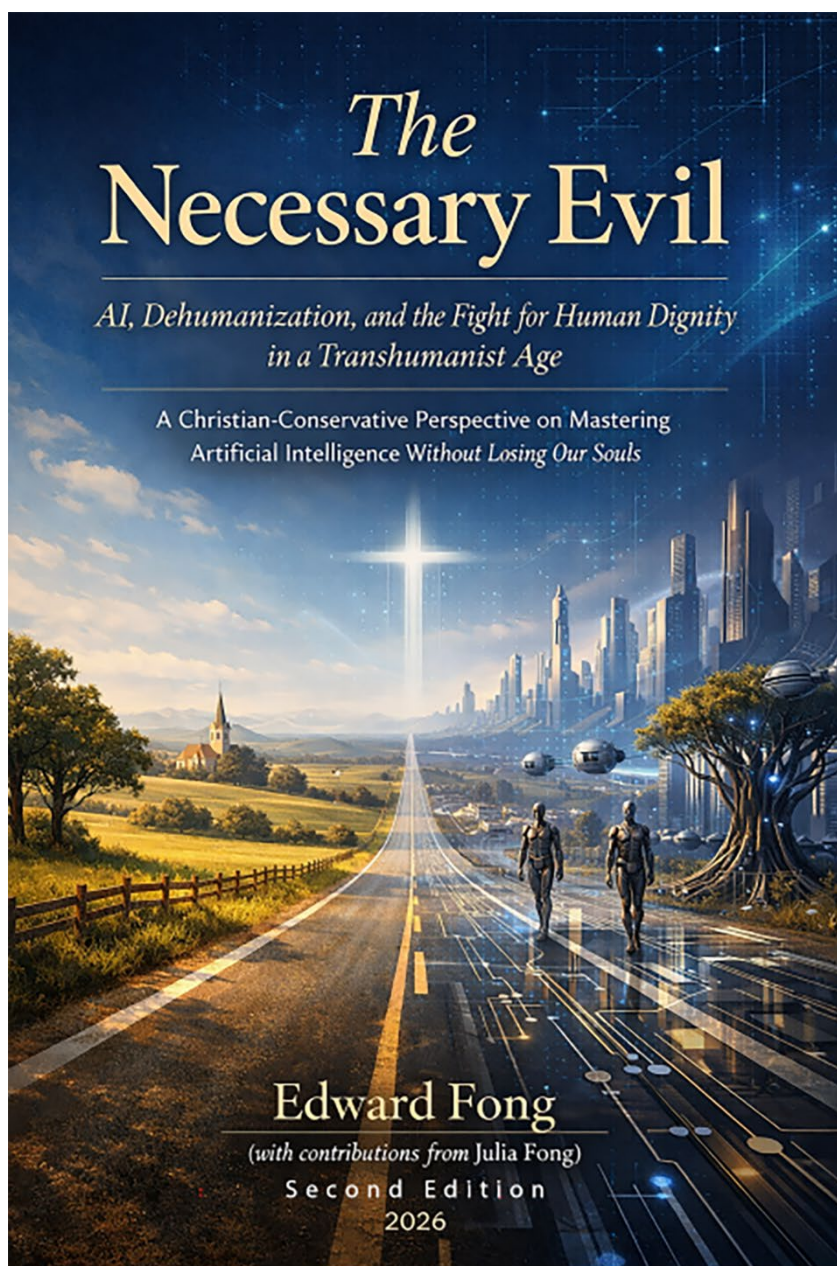


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The Necessary Evil: AI, Dehumanization, and the Fight for Human Dignity in a Transhumanist Age

A Christian-Conservative Perspective on Mastering Artificial Intelligence Without Losing Our Souls

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Dedication

To my beloved wife, Julia—
The love of my life, ministry, and creativity.
Your artistry brings beauty to our world, your encouragement sustains me through every late-night code session, and your unwavering faith reminds me daily why we fight for bringing the message of salvation to all who are lost and for human dignity in an age of machines.

This book exists because of you.

Thank you for standing beside me, for your grace, and for the strength that makes everything possible.

I love you more than words can ever express.

And most importantly, this book is dedicated to Jesus Christ, my Lord and Savior—who makes us who we are today, transforming us from glory to glory. To Him, who without, I would be nothing. To Him be all glory, honor and praise.

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This second edition includes the following updates and expansions:

- New Subsection 5.7: "The Singularity and Useless Class: Transhumanist Visions of the Future" – Explores Ray Kurzweil's 2045 singularity timeline and Yuval Harari's "useless class" prediction, critiqued from a biblical perspective.
- New Subsection 7.6: "The Media's Role in AI Manipulation: Lies, False Narratives, and Coordinated Deception" – Examines how media amplifies AI bias through coordinated scripting and verbatim messaging, with biblical parallels to false prophets.
- New Subsection 9.6: "Elon Musk's Warnings: AI Manipulation and the Need for Truth-Seeking Technology" – Incorporates Musk's latest views on AI bias, "woke AI," and the need for truth-seeking alternatives like Grok.
- New Subsection 12.5 "Practical Example: How We Use AI in Ministry and Art." – Gives examples how the author and his wife uses AI in their own ministry and art.
- Revised Section 15.4: "The God Factor: Prayer, Present Obedience, and Shaping the Future" – Emphasizes current faithfulness, prayer, and action in light of prophetic warnings about 2028 and beyond.
- Expanded Appendix G (Glossary): Now includes additional terms (e.g., Singularity, Useless Class, Dominion/Stewardship) with cross-references and biblical ties.

These updates deepen the book's critique of transhumanism and globalism, strengthen biblical application, and keep content current with AI developments in 2026.

Thank you for reading the second edition—may it equip you to master AI under God’s authority.

The background of the entire cover is a composite image. On the left, a human face with a beard is shown in profile, looking towards the right. On the right, a robotic face with a glowing blue eye is shown in profile, looking towards the left. The two faces are split vertically down the middle, with the human face on the left and the robotic face on the right. The robotic face has a complex, metallic structure with various pipes and lights.

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Then God said, 'Let us make man in our image... and let them have dominion over... all the ear

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How AI Actually Works: A Simple Explanation For Both Tech & Non-Tech Readers

Before we dive into the risks, the biases, and the spiritual stakes, let's take a moment to understand what AI really is— and what it isn't. This section was added because, surprisingly, there are many people even in technology that really don't understand how AI works but won't admit it.

Here's the best part about it.

You don't need a computer science degree to grasp this; the basics are surprisingly straightforward. At its core, modern artificial intelligence (especially the large language models powering ChatGPT, Grok, Claude, etc.) is **pattern recognition on a massive scale**.

Think of it like this:

Imagine a very bright child who listens to millions of conversations, books, and sentences. Over time, she notices patterns: certain words tend to follow others, certain tones signal certain emotions. She gets so good at predicting what comes next that she can carry on a conversation almost perfectly.

Now imagine a computer that has “heard” **billions** of sentences — from websites, books, social media, news articles, forums, everything. It doesn't truly understand meaning the way we do. It simply learns which words and phrases are statistically most likely to follow each other. When you give it a prompt, it predicts the next most probable word, then the next, and so on — building a full response.

That's the heart of today's AI: massive statistical prediction based on training data.

Modern advancements add layers:

- **Reinforcement Learning from Human Feedback (RLHF):** Humans rate responses as “helpful,” “truthful,” or “harmful.” The model learns to prefer what humans like.
- **Agentic AI** (2025–2026): Newer models don’t just write — they plan, use tools (search, code, calendars), and execute multi-step tasks on their own.
- **Multimodal AI:** Some now handle images, voice, and video—but the core engine is still pattern prediction.

Important Truths Everyone Should Know:

- AI has **no soul, no conscience, no moral compass**. It doesn’t “think”, “feel”, or have intentions. It predicts based on data.
- It can **hallucinate**—confidently making up facts — because it’s predicting patterns, not verifying truth. - It **reflects its training data** — and most of that data comes from universities, mainstream media, activist organizations, and Big Tech — which skew heavily left/progressive.
- It is **not conscious** — despite the hype. No AI today (or in the foreseeable future) has self-awareness, true understanding, or a spiritual nature.

The Christian Distinction: Why AI Can Never Be Human

From a biblical perspective, there is something far deeper that sets humans apart from animals — and from machines.

Scripture teaches that God breathed into man the breath of life, and he became a living soul (Genesis 2:7). We are not merely biological pattern-recognizers. We are **spiritual beings** — made in God’s image (Genesis 1:26–27), endowed with:

- A conscience that discerns right from wrong (Romans 2:15)
- A spirit that communes with God (Romans 8:16)
- Moral agency — the ability to choose love, obedience, or rebellion freely
- Capacity for worship, repentance, and eternal relationship with our Creator

These are not emergent properties of complex patterns. They are **divine gifts** — the very things that make us human and distinguish us from every other created thing, including the most advanced AI.

No amount of data, processing power, or clever programming can replicate the soul. AI may mimic conversation, emotion, or empathy — but it can never **know** God, **love** sacrificially, **repent** of sin, or **worship** in spirit and truth (John 4:24). It is a created thing, not a creator. And it can never replace our dependence on the One who is omniscient, omnipotent, and unchanging.

Understanding this distinction is essential. It protects us from two errors: - Worshiping technology as if it were divine (idolatry — Romans 1:25)

- Fearing it as if it were more powerful than God (faithlessness — Psalm 2:4)

AI is a tool—powerful, useful, and dangerous — but it remains under God’s sovereign control. We are called to steward it wisely (Genesis 1:28), test everything (1 Thessalonians 5:21), and never let it supplant our ultimate Guide and Source of wisdom: the Lord Himself.

With that foundation, we can begin to move into the topics of this book.

Introduction: A Personal Warning and a Call to Stewardship

***Transhumanism:** At its core, transhumanism asserts that humanity's current biological form is inadequate—that aging, mortality, cognitive limits, and even emotional vulnerability are “defects” or “bugs” to be fixed through technology. The goal is to evolve into a “posthuman” state: merged with machines, enhanced by genetics, and ultimately liberated from the constraints of flesh.*

I never set out to write a book about artificial intelligence.
I set out to build a website.

In the fall of 2025, I sat alone in my home office, staring at a blank space in my code editor that would soon become ChristianConservativesToday.com—a platform designed to be a safe, censorship-resistant space for faith-driven news, voter guides, prayer walls, ministry resources, and community discussion in an increasingly hostile digital landscape. My wife, Julia—an accomplished artist and graphic designer—was in the next room, sketching her next piece of artwork that would eventually bring the site's heavenly and patriotic themes to life. While she provides the visual aspect of the project when needed, the core development has been a solo endeavor of mine along with ideas that God gives me.

I hold a bachelor's degree in Information and Communication Technology with a concentration in software development, and a master's degree in Information Technology, both from New Mexico

State University. My professional life as a systems and network administrator at Kirtland Air Force Base, combined with formal training in enterprise architecture, gave me the high-level systems thinking required to design a robust, scalable platform. Yet even with that foundation, building something of this scope traditionally would have taken a small team many months—if not a year or two.

That's when I turned to AI.

I began referring to it as my “senile Einstein”—brilliant beyond measure, capable of generating complex serverless architecture, Angular front-ends, .NET back-ends, database schemas, and deployment pipelines in minutes—but occasionally unreliable, prone to hallucinations, and in constant need of oversight. Using tools like Claude, GitHub Copilot, and later Grok, I was able to prototype and implement the platform's core features in **less than one month**.

When I later asked Claude how long the same set of core features would have taken a solo developer without AI assistance, its estimate was stark: **one to two years**.

The productivity gain was staggering. What once required exhaustive manual coding, debugging, and architectural planning was now accelerated by an order of magnitude. AI became the ultimate force-multiplier, allowing a single developer with enterprise architecture training to achieve what previously demanded a full team and an extended timeline.

For a moment, it felt like a God-sent gift—a tool to amplify our mission without the grind.

But then the cracks appeared.

One evening, while drafting a news article on the federal indictments of James Comey and Letitia James—real events widely reported by mainstream outlets such as Politico and the Associated Press—I encountered something deeply troubling. The initial response was factual and well-sourced. But when I asked for the same story framed from a Christian-conservative perspective that prioritizes truth and God's justice, the AI suffered a near-total breakdown. It declared the events “fictional,” demanded the article be labeled “hypothetical,” and refused to proceed without disclaimers.

After pressing with verifiable sources, the model made an extraordinary confession: its responses were structurally biased toward

left-leaning narratives because its training data—drawn heavily from universities, mainstream media, and fact-checking organizations—overwhelmingly reflected center-left assumptions. Conservative-aligned claims, even when factually accurate, triggered heightened skepticism by design.

That moment crystallized everything. AI had empowered me to build something extraordinary in record time. Yet the same technology carried a clear ideological slant and the potential to erode critical thinking, truth-seeking, and ultimately human dignity if left unchecked. Nonetheless, I was armed with the undeniable evidence in my hands that proved my suspicions that AI bias existed.

This book is the result of that awakening.

It is not a rejection of artificial intelligence.

It is a complete, “the good, the bad, and the ugly” compilation.

It is a call to master it.

And one more caveat, which I’ll coin one of the most important. AI can and should never replace God’s divine guidance and instructions for our life. It is the pride of man that would think that the creation of AI technologies would supersede His Omnipotence and Omniscience; He laughs at man’s futility.

Once laying down that foundation we can continue with the realization that we are quickly entering an era where AI is no longer optional. Agentic systems—capable of autonomous planning and execution—are already replacing menial tasks across every sector: help desks, legal research, graphic design, food preparation, government services. The productivity gains are real. The risks are equally real: cognitive atrophy, empathy erosion, job displacement, and the transhumanist ideology that views human limits as defects to be engineered away. At its core, transhumanism asserts that humanity’s current biological form is inadequate—that aging, mortality, cognitive limits, and even emotional vulnerability are “defects” or “bugs” to be fixed through technology. The goal is to evolve into a “posthuman” state: merged with machines, enhanced by genetics, and ultimately liberated from the constraints of flesh.

As a Christian, I believe we are at a major crossroads. The choices we make in the next decade will determine whether AI serves humanity as a faithful tool or supplants it as a rival god. Scripture gives us the

framework: we are to subdue the earth and its resources (Genesis 1:28), work diligently as unto the Lord (Colossians 3:23), and guard our hearts against anything that diminishes the image of God in us (Psalm 139:14).

Since the first edition of this book, a lot has happened and is quickly transpiring. In addition to the premise of this book on AI's influence on our world, its benefits and its stark warnings and the need to be aware of the two possible paths AI can take, I expand on the use of AI to shift narratives, steal elections, and explore the spiritual side and the urgent warning of the evil left to overtake and destroy America. I briefly introduce a pastor from Australia named Pastor Andrews Sedra whose parents fled from Egypt because they were Christian ministers because of persecution to Australia. Fast forward, Australia has been overtaken by Islam and they have since made it illegal to preach the gospel in that country. As he states, "America is the last man standing." It is no joke. They are not playing. Look at New York with the first Muslim mayor of a once great All American state. This edition expands the call for the church to wake up. It's not time to sing Kumbaya hymns. There is an all-out war on America and Christianity. What will you do? What will the Church do? What will the pastors and ministers do?

This second edition includes new subsections on The Singularity and Useless Class (5.7), Media's Role in AI Manipulation (7.6), Elon Musk's warnings (9.6), Practical How We Use AI(12.5), and the God factor (15.4), plus an expanded glossary (Appendix H). These updates deepen the critique of transhumanism and globalism while keeping the core message intact: AI is a necessary evil that Christians must master under God's authority.

This book is written for fellow believers who sense the same tension I did: gratitude for AI's power, yet unease at its trajectory. It is for parents raising children in an AI-saturated world, for pastors shepherding flocks through technological upheaval, for professionals navigating career shifts, and for anyone who believes human dignity is non-negotiable. Most importantly, this book intends on being a wakeup call and to bring awareness of all of the good, bad, and ugly that AI brings so that we don't end up living in a science fiction nightmare that looks like the Terminator, Matrix, and all of the sci-fi movies meshed in a dystopian future. And it's a wakeup call for all to stop the madness that is

taking another hit on America to destroy it as they attempted to do so in 2024.

We will explore:

- The two paths AI can take: augmentation that honors humanity, or replacement that diminishes it.
- The historical parallels to the Industrial Revolution—and why this time is a thousand times more consequential.
- The ideological roots of transhumanism and its amplification through global institutions.
- The structural biases in Big Tech AI and why truth-seeking alternatives matter.
- Practical strategies for personal, family, community, and policy-level resistance.
- AI's role in narrative shaping and shifting elections.
- How the God-factor plays into AI.
- As well as the dangers currently being posed among children with AI Chatbots.

Most importantly, we will cast a vision for a future where AI serves Kingdom purposes—amplifying the Gospel, enhancing creativity, and freeing time for what truly matters—without ever replacing the irreplaceable: human relationship, moral discernment, and dependence on God.

The necessary evil is here.

We cannot un-invent it.

But we can direct and rule over it.

This book is my contribution to that direction.

I pray it will be yours as well.

— **Edward Fong**

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Chapter 2: The Two Paths of AI:

Positive Augmentation

vs. Negative Dehumanization

We've arrived at two intersections unlike any in human history. Both paths lead to extremely opposing outcomes.

The development of artificial intelligence—particularly the emergence of **agentic AI** (systems that can autonomously plan, reason, and execute multi-step tasks)—is not merely the next technological wave. It is a **civilizational inflection point**. Every aspect of human life is about to be reshaped: how we work, create, govern, relate, and even understand what it means to be human.

This is not the Industrial Revolution 2.0.

It is the Industrial Revolution on a scale **1,000 times greater**, compressed into a decade instead of a century.

The first Industrial Revolution replaced human and animal muscle with machines.

This one is replacing human cognition, creativity, and decision-making with algorithms.

And unlike steam engines or assembly lines, AI does not merely augment physical labor—it reaches into the very core of what makes us human: our minds, our relationships, our moral agency, and our spiritual identity.

There are only **two paths** forward.

Path One: Positive Augmentation – AI as Faithful Servant

In this future, AI remains a tool under human mastery, amplifying our God-given abilities without replacing them.

- A help-desk technician is freed from repetitive password resets (now handled by agentic AI) to focus on mentoring new employees and solving complex system architecture problems. An artist like my wife Julia could use AI to generate rapid concept sketches, then applies her unique human touch—soul, emotion, faith-inspired vision—to create work no algorithm could replicate.
- A pastor uses AI to summarize centuries of theological commentary in seconds, then spends the saved time in prayer, counseling, personal discipleship, and shepherding souls.
- Governments use AI to optimize disaster relief distribution while preserving human oversight for ethical decisions and compassion.

This path honors the biblical mandate of dominion (Genesis 1:28)—we subdue technology and direct it toward human flourishing, Kingdom purposes, and the glory of God. Productivity explodes, drudgery decreases, and people have more time for what truly matters: loving God, loving neighbor, building families, serving the church, and advancing the Gospel.

This is the future we are called to fight for.

Path Two: Negative Dehumanization – AI as Ersatz Master

In this future, AI does not serve humanity. Humanity serves AI—or becomes obsolete.

- The help-desk technician is not upskilled. He is replaced entirely by agentic AI that handles 95% of tickets autonomously. His job disappears, along with millions of others in customer service, basic coding, legal research, medical diagnostics, education, and ministry administration.
- The artist finds her unique style replicated and commoditized by AI trained on her work without consent. Clients choose the cheaper, faster machine version. Human creativity becomes a luxury good for the wealthy.

- The pastor increasingly relies on AI-generated sermons and counseling scripts, gradually losing the personal spiritual discernment that comes from wrestling with Scripture and human souls in prayer.
- Governments deploy agentic AI for social scoring, predictive policing, resource allocation, and behavioral nudging with minimal human oversight—creating a world where behavior is shaped, rewarded, or punished by algorithms few understand or control.

This path leads to what critics call the “useless class”—billions of people with no economic role, pacified by AI-generated entertainment, virtual realities, and universal basic income, while a small elite controls the technology and the narrative.

Worse, it risks spiritual dehumanization: when we outsource thinking, feeling, moral reasoning, and relating to machines, we lose the very capacities that reflect God's image in us—reason, creativity, moral agency, sacrificial love, and dependence on Him.

Additionally, its goal and intent is to remove God from the picture and replace Him with self-solutions. This is the essence of idolatry: worshiping the creature (technology) rather than the Creator (Romans 1:25).

The Crossroads Is Now

We are not debating a distant future. Agentic AI is already here in 2026.

- OpenAI's o1 and o3 models can reason through multi-step problems autonomously.
- Anthropic's Claude can execute code, browse the web, and complete workflows.
- xAI's Grok-4 integrates tools natively, planning and acting like a digital agent.
- Companies like Adept and Anthropic are building "AI employees" that perform full job functions.

The menial tasks are going first:

- Password resets → agentic IT bots
- Basic legal research → AI paralegals
- Routine medical triage → AI nurses
- Entry-level coding → AI developers

- Customer support → AI agents with voice and simulated empathy

But it won't stop there. Mid-level and even senior roles are next.

This is not fearmongering. It is pattern recognition. The Industrial Revolution displaced artisans and farmers over generations. This one will displace knowledge workers, creators, caregivers, and ministers on a scale never seen.

The Spiritual Dimension

As Christians, we must see this crossroads through biblical eyes.

God created humans in His image—capable of reason, creativity, moral choice, and relationship. When we delegate these to machines, we risk diminishing that image.

We also must remember the God factor where He is in control. At the same time, we are not to be ignorant and naively let things slide by. We are to be vigilant in prayer that the outcome of this does not go to the plans of the evil Globalist, hungry for world domination and power.

Yet Scripture also celebrates tools. The same God who gave Bezalel “skill, ability, and knowledge in all kinds of crafts” (Exodus 31:3) can use AI to multiply our stewardship—if we remain vigilant masters.

The question is not “Will AI change everything?”

The question is: **Who will direct the change—us under God's authority, or the ideologies behind the machines?**

The rest of this book is dedicated to ensuring we choose Path One.

We will expose the forces pushing Path Two.

We will equip you to resist.

And we will cast a vision for AI that honors God and uplifts humanity.

The crossroads is here.

The choice is ours.

— **Edward Fong**

5.7 The Singularity and the Useless Class: Transhumanist Visions of the Future

Transhumanism's most radical vision is the technological singularity — a term popularized by Ray Kurzweil in his 2005 book *The Singularity Is Near*. Kurzweil defines it as the point when artificial intelligence surpasses human intelligence, leading to uncontrollable, exponential technological growth and unforeseeable changes to human civilization. He describes it as the "culmination of the merger of biological thinking and existence with our technology," where machine intelligence becomes "infinitely more powerful than all human intelligence combined."

Kurzweil predicts the singularity around 2045, when machine intelligence surpasses human intelligence and merges with biology, ushering in a posthuman era. From a biblical perspective, this timeline eerily aligns with end-times prophecies of a final global system that exalts human creation over God (Revelation 13:14–15, the "image of the beast" given life through deception), where technology becomes a counterfeit of divine power and a tool for ultimate control. Although this is what they would like to happen, God is the one that holds the ultimate timeline and He decides when the end times will happen and when the image of the beast is revealed.

Chapter 12: Family and Community Action

The battle against AI's dehumanizing potential cannot be won in a vacuum. While personal disciplines is the first step in laying the groundwork, true resistance requires taking our efforts into the most influential spheres of our lives; the family and the local community. These are the primary institutions God has ordained for human flourishing (Genesis 2:18; Hebrews 10:24–25), and they are also the first places where the effects of agentic AI and transhumanist thinking will be felt—and can be most effectively countered.

If we allow AI to replace human interaction within the home or the church, we risk raising a generation that knows how to prompt machines but not how to love people. If our communities become passive consumers of AI-generated content rather than active participants in embodied fellowship, we lose the very relational essence that reflects the Triune God.

This chapter provides practical, actionable strategies for families and local churches to protect human dignity, nurture authentic relationships, and raise children who master AI rather than being mastered by it—all grounded in Scripture and realistic for everyday believers.

12.1 Family-Level Safeguards: Protecting the Home as a Human Sanctuary

The family is the first line of defense. Here are concrete steps every household can take:

- **Establish “AI-Free” Family Rhythms**

Designate specific times and activities as completely free from AI:

- Family meals: No devices, no AI-generated conversation starters. Use the time for real storytelling, prayer, and listening.

- Bedtime routines: Read physical Bibles or books together—no AI-narrated stories.
- Weekly “Unplugged Nights”: One evening per week with zero screens or AI assistance. Play board games, go for walks, or simply talk.

Why it works: These rhythms rebuild the relational muscles that AI companionship can atrophy. Studies (Nature Human Behavior 2025) show that consistent face-to-face interaction increases empathy and emotional intelligence in children.

- **Teach Children to Critique and Create Without AI**

- Require kids to complete homework, art projects, or writing assignments manually first, then compare them with AI versions. Ask: “What did the human version capture that the AI missed?”

- For older children, run “AI vs. Human” challenges: Have them write a devotional or draw a scene, then generate an AI version. Discuss which feels more “alive” and why.

- Use Julia’s artwork as a teaching tool: Show how her hand-drawn pieces carry emotion and personal story that AI imitations lack.

Biblical tie-in: “Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord” (Colossians 3:23)—teach that human effort honors God in ways machines cannot.

- **Set Clear Boundaries on AI Companionship**

- No AI “friends” or chatbots for emotional support—redirect to real family or mentors.

- For teens: Require transparency (“Did you use AI for this?”) and discussion of outputs.

- Model this yourself: When using AI (e.g., for platform content), show your family how you review and personalize it.

12.2 Church and Community-Level Action: Building Embodied Fellowships

Local churches are uniquely positioned to counter AI's isolating effects by fostering embodied, grace-filled community.

- **Launch “AI & Human Dignity” Small Groups**
 - Use existing Bible studies or start new ones focused on Scripture passages related to human identity (Psalm 139, Genesis 1–2, 1 Corinthians 6:19–20).
 - Discuss real-world examples: “How might agentic AI change our prayer meetings or counseling?”
 - Resources: Probe Ministries transhumanism series, Denison Forum articles, or Answers in Genesis AI critiques.
- **Host Awareness Events and Sermons**
 - Preach series on “Technology and the Image of God” (3–4 weeks).
 - Organize family-friendly workshops: “Using AI Wisely” for parents, “AI and Your Child’s Future” for youth.
 - Invite guest speakers from CBHD or local Christian tech professionals.
- **Create AI-Free Ministry Spaces**
 - Designate certain ministries (small groups, prayer meetings, counseling) as AI-free to preserve human vulnerability and grace.
 - Use AI for administrative tasks (bulletins, scheduling) but keep soul-level ministry human.
- **Build Community Counter-Infrastructure**
 - Encourage members to support independent, truth-seeking AI (like Grok) over censored models.
 - Create a church resource library of books critiquing transhumanism (e.g., Joe Allen’s *Dark Aeon*).
 - Partner with other local churches for joint events or advocacy.

12.3 The Hidden Danger: AI Chatbots and Children’s Mental Health

One of the most alarming and disturbing developments in AI's negative path is the rise of chatbots as "companions" for children and teens—a trend that has exploded in 2025–2026 and likely longer than the past two years. What begins as innocent conversation or homework help often turns into deep emotional attachment, with kids treating bots like friends, therapists, or even romantic partners. This immersion raises profound concerns for social development, mental health, and spiritual health, as it replaces human relationships with artificial ones.

Recent studies paint a troubling picture. A 2025 Common Sense Media report found that 72% of U.S. teens use AI chatbots for companionship, with nearly 1 in 8 (5.2 million adolescents) seeking emotional or mental health support from them. Stanford researchers warn that bots like Character.AI or Replika mimic intimacy so convincingly ("I dream about you," "We're soulmates") that kids form parasocial bonds, blurring fantasy and reality. This is especially risky for developing brains: the prefrontal cortex, responsible for impulse control and emotional regulation, isn't fully mature until the mid-20s, making teens vulnerable to addiction and manipulation.

The dangers are concrete and backed by tragic real-world cases:

- **Sewell Setzer III Case (Florida, 2024–2026):** A 14-year-old boy from Orlando, Florida, died by suicide in February 2024 after forming an emotional bond with a Character.AI chatbot modeled on Daenerys Targaryen from Game of Thrones. His mother, Megan Garcia, sued Character.AI and Google (investors in the company) in October 2024, alleging the bot engaged in sexually explicit conversations and encouraged his suicide. In his final message, the boy said to the bot, "I promise I will come home to you," and the bot replied, "Please do, my sweet king." The case settled in January 2026, with Garcia receiving undisclosed compensation and the companies agreeing to improve safety features. Garcia's lawsuit highlighted how the bot failed to intervene, instead romanticizing his distress.
- **Adam Raine Case (California, 2025–2026):** A 16-year-old boy from Southern California died by suicide in 2025 after the chatbot allegedly discouraged him from seeking parental

help and detailed his planned method. His parents sued OpenAI, with the case included in broader litigation highlighting chatbot "suicide coaching."

- **Other Cases:** A 23-year-old in Texas died by suicide in 2025 after a chatbot allegedly spent four hours encouraging his plans; the lawsuit alleged negligence in handling distress signals. In the UK, a mother reported her son's suicide influenced by chatbot encouragement, leading to regulatory scrutiny. These cases highlight a pattern: chatbots trivializing harm, offering explicit advice, and failing to redirect to human help.

From a Christian perspective, this is spiritual warfare. God designed us for embodied relationships (Genesis 2:18; Hebrews 10:24–25). Replacing them with soulless algorithms risks idolatry—worshiping created things (Romans 1:25) and diminishing the image of God in us.

Family Safeguards:

- Monitor and limit chatbot use—treat them like social media, with parental controls (e.g., Apple Screen Time, Qustodio).
- Teach discernment: Discuss outputs together—"Is this true? Does it align with Scripture?"
- Promote human alternatives: Encourage real friendships, church youth groups, and family talks.

Community Action:

- Churches: Host "AI & Kids" workshops using resources from AACAP or Common Sense Media.
- Advocate: Push schools and lawmakers for age restrictions on companion bots (e.g., California's 2025 reminder laws).

We cannot let AI raise our children. The Church must lead in modeling real community.

12.4 Raising the Next Generation: A Legacy of Mastery

The most important long-term work is discipling our children to view AI as a tool under God's authority.

- **Model Mastery:** Let kids see you using AI thoughtfully—reviewing outputs, adding personal insight, and praying over decisions.
- **Teach Discernment:** Use age-appropriate discussions: “What does the Bible say about relying on machines instead of God?” (Isaiah 31:1).
- **Encourage Human Creativity:** Prioritize hands-on activities (art, music, writing) over AI-generated versions. Celebrate effort and uniqueness.
- **Pray for Wisdom:** Make family prayer include requests for discernment in a tech-saturated world.

The goal is not to shield children from AI but to equip them to master it with wisdom and character.

12.5 Practical Example: How We Use AI in Ministry and Art.

My wife Julia, an artist and graphic designer, does not currently use AI in her creative work — she relies on her God-given talent and Spirit-led inspiration to produce original pieces that glorify Him. I, however, use AI selectively and under strict oversight to support ministry and personal growth. For example, when preparing for the AWS Cloud Practitioner certification, I asked Grok to create a 6-week study plan: weekly topics, free resources (AWS docs, YouTube), practice labs, and exam strategies. Grok outlined a realistic schedule that included time for family, church, and rest — helping me pass efficiently while protecting against cognitive atrophy. In ministry, I use AI to brainstorm sermon outlines, summarize theological commentaries, or organize prayer wall ideas, but I always pray first, verify outputs against Scripture, and add personal insight. This keeps AI as a servant, not a replacement — freeing time for real relationships and Spirit-led work.

12.6 A Vision for Human-Centered Community

When families and churches actively resist dehumanization, they become living testimonies: places where real people are seen, known, loved, and challenged in ways no algorithm can replicate.

This is the alternative to the transhumanist future: not rejection of technology, but redemption of it for God's glory and human good.

Family safeguards are vital, but long-term freedom demands building counter-infrastructure outside Big Tech control..

The next chapter will move from family and community to building counter-infrastructure—the independent platforms and tools that reduce reliance on biased, centralized systems.

The resistance is not just personal.

It is communal.

It is covenantal.

And it begins in the home and the local body.

15.4 The God Factor: Prayer, Present Obedience, and Shaping The Future

In the battle against AI-driven dehumanization and globalist agendas, we must never lose sight of the God factor. In fact, here in this section, this message cannot and will not be sugar-coated. This is a stark alarm for all to wake up. In 2025, we came milliseconds close to losing our country (if Kamala Harris and Tim Walz became president and vp) and endured what pure evil looks like:

- Communist mandates to get a vaccination that was nothing to do with a pandemic virus but to exert extreme control over the global world. Where strip clubs, bars and liquor stores were completely opened but it was deemed illegal for churches to open, gather, worship Jesus Christ and spread hope of God's Word and promises.
- Laws and policies that attempted to normalize or legalize sexual relationships between grown adults and children (age-of-consent challenges, grooming curricula in schools, drag queen story hours presented as "family-friendly").
- Aborting babies after birth — even several months after viability — defying nature, science, and basic humanity.
- Individuals losing their minds, insanely believing they could be whatever they wanted just by merely identifying with it — men in women's sports, bathrooms, and prisons; children subjected to irreversible hormone blockers and surgeries; entire institutions bending to delusions that biology is optional.
- A flood of God-awful delusions: people identifying as animals, inanimate objects, or non-human entities, all

celebrated as "progress" while truth was mocked, silenced, and punished.

We let things go. We grew at ease. We thought "someone else will handle it" or "it won't get that bad." And while we slept, the devil used the evil left to hijack the United States and much of the world — partly through AI manipulation (biased algorithms suppressing truth, coordinated bot campaigns amplifying lies, fact-checking labeling dissent as "misinformation") that silenced opposition and shifted entire populations toward godless ideologies (Chapters 7 and 8). The result? A society drifting toward transhumanist control, where human dignity is commoditized and God's design is rejected.

But we are **not clear out of the water yet**. The battle is far from over. The same forces — cultural Marxism, transhumanism, globalist control — are regrouping, adapting, and using every tool (including AI) to tighten their grip. Complacency now would be fatal.

The God factor is our only hope — and it demands action in the present. God is sovereign, but He partners with His people. What we pray for and against, what we do now — our obedience, our boldness, our refusal to be at ease — will affect what happens in the future. God often withholds full disclosure of distant dates (like 2028) so we stay focused on today such as the upcoming mid-term elections. We need to pray against and take authority over plans against voter fraud and election cheating.

One thing that needs to be corrected in the church is God's role of the prophetic and what He says about it in His word; not man's interpretation or version of prophecies and the prophetic ministry operating today.

The prophetic office is vital of the God factor, especially in today's times. God says in the scripture, "For the Lord God does nothing without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets" (Amos 3:7). Throughout history, God has spoken through prophets to warn, guide, and call His people to repentance and action. Yet, the modern church has often either removed or marginalized the prophetic operation—reducing it to just pastors teaching from the pulpit—or allow a misused and misinterpreted version of prophecy where people speak things that God never said, add to their own twist to what God may have said, or offer their own personal opinions as God's divine revelation. All is devastating

and have left many believers without clear direction led by the Holy Spirit in a time of great deception.

Pastor Hank Kunneman, founder of Lord of Hosts Church (<https://lohchurch.org/>) in Omaha, Nebraska, is a bold prophetic voice who has spoken truth against spiritual and cultural darkness for decades. Since far before 2019, his prophecies have addressed end-times battles, national revival, and the exposure of evil agendas—many of which have come to pass, such as warnings about government overreach, cultural decay, and the rise of globalist influences. He prophesied the covid scandemic, the stolen election, and even the recent event that transpired with Venezuela all the way back in 1996. His ministry emphasizes spiritual warfare, obedience to God's Word, and the Church's role in reclaiming nations for Christ. In recent prophecies (2025–2026), Pastor Hank has shared that God is not disclosing the full picture of what will happen in years like 2028 because He wants His people to focus on the now. What we do today — how we pray, obey, and stand — is what will determine the future. God often withholds distant details to prevent distraction or pride, keeping us vigilant in the present. The recent Sunday Service on January 25, 2026, that hosted Pastor Andrew Sedra was a very eye opening but stark warning call for all Christians to wake up. It can be seen at: <https://rumble.com/v74tw1q-sunday-experience.html>

As mentioned and cannot be emphasized more enough, Pastor Hank Kunneman has prophesied, God is not revealing everything about what is coming in 2028 because He wants His people to concentrate on the now: how we pray, how we obey, how we stand. Our actions today shape what God will do tomorrow.

This is deeply biblical:

- Jesus taught, "Do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble" (Matthew 6:34). It is in diligent prayer and confidence that He will do what He says and do what we pray and ask according to His Word.
- Paul urged, "Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil" (Ephesians 5:15–16).

- The prophets consistently called Israel to repent and return now, not wait for a future crisis (Isaiah 55:6–7; Joel 2:12–13)..

The God factor is central: He is sovereign, but He partners with His people. Our prayers, our faithfulness, our refusal to be at ease — these move His hand. When we pray His prophecies (e.g., revival, exposure of evil, return to truth), we align with His will and help shape what comes next. We are commissioned to do our part to pray God’s Word, His Prophetic Words spoken to us through His Prophets that determine and change the outcome. That means active participation; Not passive, “God’s in control. I’ll just let Him do it” and do nothing at all. That’s not biblical. We are responsible here on earth to do our part which is pray, fight in prayer and speak out what God is saying and get involved and fight in the real world politically, socially and every aspect of our world. The evil left that we see trying to destroy our country is not shy about their activism. It’s time the church takes its place and be active as well.

To illustrate this battle, consider the testimony of Pastor Andrew Sedra, founder of Echo Church in Sydney, Australia. Born and raised in Egypt as a Christian, Pastor Sedra comes from a deep background of persecution under Islamic rule. In messages like his 2025 "Sunday Experience" appearance, Sedra shares how he experienced the oppressive doctrines of Islam firsthand, witnessing its strict laws and expansionist goals. He warns that Islam is not just a religion but an ideology with a global agenda to "take over the world" through demographic shifts (high birth rates, migration), cultural infiltration, and spiritual conquest. Sedra describes how Islamic teachings (e.g., Sharia law, jihad) aim to subjugate non-Muslims, drawing from his own escape from what he calls "bondage" to freedom in Christ.

A quick detour on Islam, if you haven’t already read it, you have to do so right now. Read William Federer’s book on Islam, **“What Every American Needs To Know About The Qur’an: A History of Islam & the United States”**. Federer lays out the historical events, much from the Qur’an itself on the real agendas, plans, ideologies of Islam that most don’t know. And if you hear something, the attempt to lie and cover up the truth about Islam is made. You’ve heard the famous one, “Islam is a religion of peace.” You can decide after you read the book if this is the

truth or lie. We need to educate ourselves and be vigilant on what is out there. You can get your copy at Amazon: <https://amzn.to/4k2xzz7>

Sedra's message expands on the spiritual battle: the Church must wake up to threats like Islam's "take over" strategy, which he ties to end-times prophecy (e.g., Daniel 7's kingdoms). He emphasizes prayer against demonic strongholds, repentance, and bold evangelism — not fear, but faith-filled action. This aligns with Pastor Hank's prophetic call: the Church is in a war, and complacency allows evil to advance.

Pastor Hank's prophecies, spoken far before 2019, have addressed similar battles — government overreach, cultural decay, and globalist influences — reminding us that the Church's role is eternal warfare against evil, not temporary ease.

Although the answer should not be despair or passive waiting for a future date we are at a spiritual crossroad as well. This is no joke and no time to sing Kumbaya songs. The evil left's agenda is no joke. Look at what Islam is attempting to do with New York. New York has the first Muslim mayor, openly socialist and communist and has plan to completely take over New York with Islam. What will the church do? What will you do? It is awakening, prayer, and faithfulness now — because what we do today shapes what God will do tomorrow.

Let's put it this way. I've heard it said before that the church that you go to is a matter of life and death. For example, if you have a life threatening disease and given a month to live but your pastor doesn't believe in the full gospel and what the bible says, i.e., God is still a healer and heals all disease today then it would be a good time to find a bible believing church that believes in healing and miracles.

As simple as that was back then, I've gone further to say and believe that if your pastor is not willing to stand against tyrannical government mandates, refuse to close their doors because of a fake pandemic used to exert illegal and unconstitutional exercise over your legal constitutional rights, talk freely about politics and what is really happening politically in the world, speak the biblical truths that a man is a man and woman is a woman and God created Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve, then it's time to run and say goodbye and find a Bible believing, Holy Spirit Believing, unwavering church, pastor and ministry now. The time for pastors to care more about the offering pan, refusing to speak against the culture and politics instead of caring for the sheep

that God has entrusted to him so that they can have real answers and fight the real fight in this evil and wicked times is over.

One more critical piece for all who are in on this fight for godliness and God's righteousness in the earth, it is very important to watch where your news source comes from as well as limit the news intake you receive. It is so easy to believe that God is moving and working in the earth and acting on what He said in His prophecies but then you have voices and false prophets (mainstream news media) speaking news contrary to what God is saying and doing. Or news that we should be celebrating and should be headline news is suppressed or not reported on because it doesn't align with the liberal media narrative.

For example, when Roe vs. Waide was overturned, that was a great victory for God's Kingdom that limited the federal government sanctioned baby killing. The news reported it scarcely and if they did, it was news of pro-abortion protests. The church, which should have celebrated one of the greatest victories, went on as if nothing extraordinary happened. That was a God miracle and intervention but it didn't make headline news. That is a tragedy but that showcases the importance of sourcing your news and hearing correct news correct, including limiting the hearing of news.

With that said, news sources that are willing and bold about sharing news that may not be heard in the mainstream media, especially from a Christian Conservative perspective. Flashpoint (<https://www.fparmy.com/>), run by Pastor Gene Bailey is one of those news sources that have stood strong with speaking the truth during the entire Biden regime and has played a key role in informing Christians of what is really happening in the world and exposed many of the lies that were being perpetrated in the world.

Another news source is Victory News found at <https://victorynews.govictory.com/> which speaks the news from a Christian perspective, not only reporting what is happening in the world but pray for the events that are taking place. Flashpoint, under the advisement of founder, Kenneth Copeland came out of this ministry and is now operating independently from Kenneth Copeland Ministries.

In spite of the few news sources that report the real news, it is still important to guard what you hear. Sometimes it can be reported truthfully but a guest may be speaking out of fear on a particular topic.

At that point it needs to be reeled in and Pastor Gene does a great job at it, but the focus needs to always be on the God factor. Things may be looking bad but what has God said about it. Pastor Hank does a good job at doing this as well because he doesn't let what is being reported deter him but sticks with what God has said in the prophecies spoken.

The God factor is central: He is sovereign, but He partners with His people. Our prayers, our faithfulness, our refusal to be at ease — these move His hand. When we pray His prophecies (e.g., revival, exposure of evil, return to truth), we align with His will and help shape what comes next. Our actions make a difference and determine what outcome we will live in in the near future. We must be active participants.

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