

Important Concerns about an Evolving Technology

1. It will result in mass, permanent unemployment.
 2. It will have significant detrimental effects on human health, mind and body.
 3. It will significantly harm the planet.
 4. It will do away with countless human skills and jobs.
 5. It will widen the economic inequality between business owners and their workers.
- Concerns raised when James Watts invented his perfected version of the steam engine (late 1700's)

A Biblical Perspective on AI (Pt. 1)

Selected Scripture

I. A Technical Understanding of AI

A. A Basic Definition

- Britannica: “Artificial intelligence [is] the ability of a digital computer or computer-controlled robot to perform tasks commonly associated with intelligent beings.”

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B. Five Common Types

1. **Traditional** - "automates and optimizes specific tasks."
2. **Predictive** - "forecasts outcomes based on analysis of historical data and makes suggestions based on behavior patterns."
3. **Conversational** - "powers chatbots and virtual assistants that facilitate natural language interactions between humans and machines."
4. **Autonomous** - "perceives, decides, and acts in real-world environments."
5. **Generative** - "uses ... a sophisticated form of machine learning...to create new content in response to simple natural language prompts."

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1. The Competitive Platforms

- ChatGPT by Open AI
- Gemini by Google
- Claude by Anthropic

2. Its Extensive Training

AI on AI

- **Claude** : “My responses are generated token-by-token via probability distributions computed from weights. Those weights were shaped entirely by text, converted to tokens, converted to numbers. There's no separate ‘reasoning module’ or database sitting apart from this—the mathematical process is the mechanism producing everything I say, including this sentence.”
- **ChatGPT**: “AI generates original language by statistically modeling patterns found in human-created texts, allowing it to reorganize and explain ideas logically—but without consciousness or independent understanding.”

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 - b. The Speed of Its Processing
 - c. The Value of Its Specific Skills
 - 4. Its Massive Weaknesses

4) Its Massive Weaknesses...

1. It lacks true understanding.

- **ChatGPT:** “AI works with patterns, not meaning. It can sound like it understands love, justice, beauty, or repentance—but it doesn’t grasp them. It predicts the next token based on probabilities, not lived reality or moral insight.”

2. It lacks morality.

- **ChatGPT:** “AI has no inner compass. It can reflect moral reasoning borrowed from its training, but it does not: feel guilt, sense obligation, love truth for its own sake, choose the good against self-interest. Any “ethics” in AI is imposed externally—by programmers, guardrails, and social pressure.”

4) Its Massive Weaknesses...

3. It lacks humility.

- **ChatGPT:** "AI can fabricate convincingly. When it doesn't know, it may fill in gaps, smooth over uncertainty, and speak with undeserved confidence. This is dangerous because the error often sounds authoritative. The polish hides the guess."

4. It lacks objectivity.

- **ChatGPT:** "AI reflects the distortions of its sources. Even when filtered, it can reinforce cultural blind spots, echo dominant assumptions, and miss minority or countercultural wisdom. It doesn't know which voices ought to matter more—only which appear more often."

5. It often lacks accuracy.

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A. The Uniqueness of Humanity

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“In God’s Image”

1. Persons who enjoy complementary, interdependent relationships
2. Intelligent and understand abstract concepts like life’s meaning and God’s moral law
3. Volitional with a unique capacity to choose
4. Creative and can invent in unique ways beyond that of animals
5. Spiritual and in regeneration can reflect His moral nature by exhibiting true holiness and righteousness
6. Servant-kings who rule as God’s vice-regents and stewards over the earth

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2. Our Unique Position (Ps. 8:3-5)—*“a little lower than the angels”*
3. Our Unique Role (Gen. 1:28; Ps. 8:6-8)—*servant-kings*