

“AI” - Artificial Intelligence

Useful technology — but dangerous (e.g., internet - useful for learning, shopping...but also means of pornography, slander, false information)

“Artificial” Intelligence

1. Can only “answer” based on what is programmed into it by **fallible humans**. Immediately, this poses a danger due to ...
 - **Ignorance Lk 24:25-27 (good men, but ignorant of the very purpose of Jesus coming!)**¹ [footnotes on back]
 - **Prejudice Mt 27:13...18 (what kind of answer re Jesus if these men programmed AI?!)**²
 - **Aims** (liberal? immoral? financial? slander?...) **Ac 16:19-21** (ask these guys - “why did Paul come to Philippi?”!)
2. Will change answer **based on what YOU feed into it** ...
 - Question **worded reflecting your views**, leaning (liberal, conservative ... religiously/politically)
e.g. enter “Provide Scriptures showing we are saved at the point of faith”—result: **Jn 3:16; Eph 2:8** (People make this very mistake in using their Bibles!)³
 - **Data omitted or added** (relevant verses, arguments—experiments Todd McAdams & Wally conducted) Omit/add references to Scriptures indicating baptism essential to salvation. (e.g. **Ac 2:38; 22:16; 1Pt 3:21**)
3. **Created by men**, and thus **subject to error**
See article⁴
4. Can lead to **careless, lazy research and plagiarism**
 - **Shortcut** in time and effort - no substitute for careful, dedicated, study using proper procedures and tools. May work for school (honest? learning?) and work, but **consequences of error are too serious** in our understanding and relationship to God! **Mt 12:2-3,5,7; 15:14**
 - **Preachers, teachers**, esp. should “do their homework” - **1Tim 4:11-16; 2:1-6,14-15**⁵
 - No substitute for reading, reading again, reading again, paying attention to grammar, word meanings, context (consider speaker/writer, audience, look for word threads, “big idea,” etc.) harmony (use knowledge gained, notes, reference Bible)
 - **School, College** - plagiarism dishonest; laziness leads to your own ruin.
5. **Parental alertness** is important!
 - While AI can have a good use in school work and learning, it has no ethical standard, no morals, no faith. It can produce nudity, savageness, filthy language, lies, etc. as readily as good results.
 - **Eph 6:4 - Fathers**, do YOU know if your children are using AI, how and to what extent? *Should this be a concern for you?*
 - **1Tim 5:14 - Mothers**, do YOU know what is going on in your “house” (“household” NAS20, ASV, ESV)—if AI is being used, how, and to what extent? *Should this be a concern for you?*
 - Can a **parent** let AI be their **surrogate**—let AI give counsel, moral and religious instruction, etc.?
AI is compared by some to giving a child a card with some saying (sentimental, or otherwise) already printed on it. And is so, can **children** let AI be **their surrogate** and respond for them to their parents?
5. **Where will it lead...? (1Tim 6:4, “out of which arise...”; 2Tim 2:16, “it will lead to...”)**
 - AI prayers (already being tried by a “pastor” <https://tinyurl.com/3mtdpbxw>)
 - AI counseling (elders)
 - AI preaching (some churches are trying it)
 - AI parenting?
 - AI virtual husband/wife - yes, that, too, is being claimed! <https://tinyurl.com/y54cudfx>

AI CAN be used in good ways, but, as with all good things, it has the **potential of EVIL! Beware!**

¹ “**Machine learning trained on the wrong data will produce wrong results.** Whatever data is fed into the AI should be complete and balanced to replicate the actual demographics of the group being considered.” www.ibm.com/think/topics/ai-bias [boldmine]

² “The models upon which AI efforts are based **absorb the biases of society** that can be quietly **embedded in the mountains of data they're trained on**” www.ibm.com/think/topics/ai-bias [boldmine]

“Models can sometimes reflect the assumptions of the developers coding them, which causes them to favor certain outcomes.

“Additionally, AI bias can develop due to the data used to train the AI. AI models function by analyzing large sets of training data in a process known as machine learning. These models identify patterns and correlations within this data to make predictions and decisions.

“When AI algorithms detect patterns of historical biases or systemic disparities embedded within the data they are trained on, **their conclusions can also reflect those biases** and disparities. And because machine learning tools process data on a massive scale, **even small biases in the original training data can lead to widespread discriminatory outcomes.**” www.sap.com/resources/what-is-ai-bias [boldmine]

“BIASES BAKED INTO ALGORITHM

“Scientists from MIT found that a language model thinks that “flight attendant,” “secretary,” and “physician’s assistant” are **feminine jobs**, while “fisherman,” “lawyer,” and “judge” are **masculine**.

“Meanwhile, researchers at Dartmouth found language models that have biases, like stereotypes, baked into them. Their findings suggested, for example, that **a particular group of people are either or good or bad at certain skills (assuming that someone holds a certain occupation based on their gender).**” [bold mine]

³ “the bots are infused with assumptions, beliefs and stereotypes found in the reams of data scraped from the open internet that they are trained on”

“The internet reflects the biases held by people, so the bots take on those biases, too.”

“As the bots begin being used more, an increased percentage of the information on the internet will be generated by bots. As that data is fed back into new chatbots, it might actually increase the polarization of answers... It has the potential to form a type of vicious cycle” <https://tinyurl.com/bdh8xv7b> [Washington Post via David Watson]

⁴ June 14, 2025 - Ed Bott, Senior contributing editor to ZDNET. www.zdnet.com/article/your-favorite-ai-chatbot-is-full-of-lies/

“Your favorite AI chatbot is **lying to you all the time**.

“Next time you chat with your favorite AI bot, maybe you should do some fact-checking, because you **absolutely cannot not trust anything it tells you**. ...

“**The legal system**— Judges in the US are fed up with **lawyers using ChatGPT instead of doing their research**. Way back in (checks calendar) March 2025, a lawyer was ordered to pay \$15,000 in sanctions for filing a brief in a civil lawsuit that included citations to cases that didn't exist. The judge was not exactly kind in his critique:

“It is abundantly clear that Mr. Ramirez did not make the requisite reasonable inquiry into the law. Had he expended even minimal effort to do so, he would have discovered that the AI-generated cases do not exist. That the AI-generated excerpts appeared valid to Mr. Ramirez does not relieve him of his duty to conduct a reasonable inquiry.

“But how helpful is a virtual legal assistant if you have to fact-check every quote and every citation before you file it? How many relevant cases did that AI assistant miss?

“And there are plenty of other examples of lawyers citing fictitious cases in official court filings. One recent report in MIT Technology Review concluded, “These are **big-time lawyers making significant, embarrassing mistakes with AI**. ... [S]uch mistakes are also cropping up more in documents not written by lawyers themselves, like expert reports (in December, a Stanford professor and expert on AI admitted to including AI-generated mistakes in his testimony).”

“**The United States Department of Health and Human Services** issued what was supposed to be an authoritative report last month. The “Make America Healthy Again” commission was tasked with “investigating chronic illnesses and childhood diseases” and released a detailed report on May 22.

“You already know where this is going, I am sure. According to USA Today:

“[R]esearchers listed in the report have since come forward saying **the articles cited don't exist or were used to support facts that were inconsistent with their research**. The errors were first reported by NOTUS.

“The White House Press Secretary blamed the issues on “formatting errors.” Honestly, that sounds more like something an AI chatbot might say. ...

“How bad is the problem? The researchers found that chatbots were “generally bad at declining to answer questions they couldn't answer accurately, **offering incorrect or speculative answers instead**.... Generative search tools fabricated links and cited syndicated and copied versions of articles.” ... [boldmine]

⁵ “The mainstreaming of AI has already changed how some pastors approach their sermons, with **some churches opting to try ChatGPT** and other large language models **to generate their messages for Sunday mornings**.” www.christianpost.com/news/megachurch-pastor-previews-app-that-offers-ai-led-prayer-spiritu.html [boldmine]