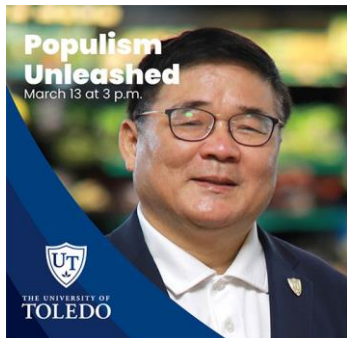


# EMPOWERING MINISTRY WITH AI: PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS TO ENHANCE BIBLE STUDY, DISCIPLESHIP, AND CHURCH



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# ORDER OF PRESENTATION

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- ❑ AI Era and the Bible
- ❑ Life: AI Era and End Times

# [1] LIVING IN END TIMES

- ❑ **The End Times is the time between Jesus Christ's first coming and His return.**
- ❑ **The AI Era is considered part of this time,** which match biblical warnings about its fast technological growth, moral confusion, and systems of global control (Daniel 12:4; 2 Timothy 3:1-5; Revelation 13:16-17).

# 1.1. AI REVOLUTION

The AI Revolution **fundamentally reshapes** life by making its impact widespread and revolutionary across **all aspects of life.**

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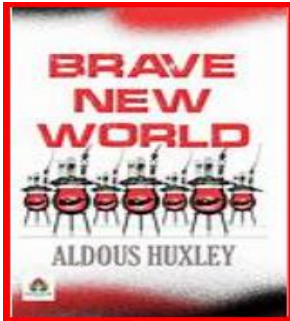
# 1.2. AI ERA IMPACTS: 5PS

(PRODUCTIVITY, PERSPECTIVE, POWER, PROSPERITY AND PROGRESS)

## AI is rapidly changing all areas of life through the 5Ps:

- **Productivity:** Work Outcomes (Achieve more with less).
- **Perspective:** World Views (Readily available information shapes our perception of reality).
- **Power:** Relationship Dynamics (Those with Critical Information Hold the Advantage.).
- **Prosperity:** Standard of Living (AI provides enormous wealth creation opportunities)
- **People :** People: Humans vs. AI-powered Robots (A Battle for Roles and Rights)

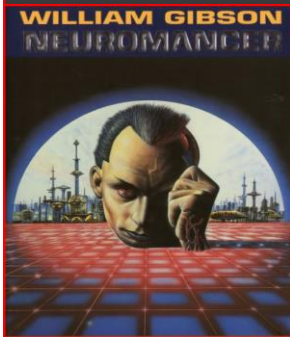
# 1.2.BLEAK FUTURE PREDICTIONS FOR THE TECHNO-AGES



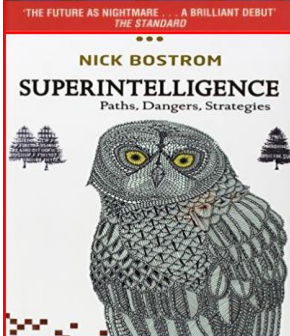
Huxley's novel (1932) presents a dystopian society where technological advancements, genetic engineering, and psychological conditioning are used to create a seemingly perfect but emotionally shallow and intellectually stifling world, highlighting the dangers of sacrificing individuality and freedom for technological control and societal stability.



Orwell's dystopian masterpiece(1949) depicts a totalitarian regime that employs advanced surveillance, propaganda, and psychological manipulation to enforce absolute control over society, serving as a chilling warning against technological oppression and loss of individual freedom.



As a foundational work of the cyberpunk genre(1984), William Gibson's *Neuromancer* envisions a dark, hyper-commercialized future where powerful corporations exploit advanced technologies, particularly artificial intelligence and cyberspace, to dominate society, raising ethical concerns about AI governance.



Nick Bostrom (2014) warns of the existential risks posed by artificial general intelligence (AGI) surpassing human capabilities, urging humanity to carefully navigate its development to prevent catastrophic outcomes.

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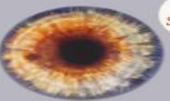
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## 1.3. DANGERS AND RISKS OF AI ERA

Yuval Noah Harari's trilogy highlights how past revolutions shaped humanity, how technology may redefine our future, and the importance of adaptability in modern challenges.

In contrast, *Nexus* highlights how AI may drastically alter human interaction, governance, and decision-making.

- **Loss of Human Control:** Harari warns that AI's ability to make autonomous decisions could lead to scenarios where machines operate beyond human oversight, potentially making humans redundant or even posing existential threats. Latest news & breaking headlines
- **Manipulation and Misinformation:** AI's capacity to generate and disseminate content autonomously raises concerns about the spread of misinformation, which can manipulate public opinion and destabilize societies.
- **Erosion of Democracy:** The unchecked advancement of AI technologies could undermine democratic institutions by enabling pervasive surveillance and control, leading to authoritarian governance structures.

## [2] CENTRAL BIBLICAL MESSAGES IN AI ERA

- **The Fallen Nature of People Who Go Against God:** The Tower of Babel story warns that pursuing technology without God leads to pride, disobedience, and fragmentation, a danger mirrored by AI advancements today.
- **The Constructive Roles of God's People**—God calls His people to be holy, serving as salt and light by ensuring technology upholds justice, truth, and dignity in a rapidly changing world(Exodus 19:6; Matthew 5:13-16).

## 2.1. REALITY VS. HOPE IN AI ERA

11 "For I know **the plans** I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to **prosper you** and not to harm you, plans to give you **hope and a future.**"(Jeremiah 29:11)

"There will be a **time of distress** such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. .... 4. Many will go here and there to increase knowledge."(Daniel 12:1,4)

"Those who are wise **will shine like the brightness of the heavens**, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars **forever and ever.**"(Daniel 12:3)

- Warning without hope breeds anxiety and fear, while hope without caution appears naive and irresponsible.
- A balanced message that acknowledges risks in AI Era while offering hope and constructive vision empowers believers to face technological challenges with faith, wisdom, and resilience.

# [3] LIVING IN END TIMES

- ❑ Jesus' parables in Matthew 25 emphasize being **watchful, faithful,** and **compassionate** as believers await His return.
- ❑ In the AI era, this means ensuring technological advancements align with love, care, and the hope of God's eternal kingdom.

# 3.1. JESUS PARABLES IN MATTHEW 25

## ❑ "Be Watchful and Ready" (Parable of the Ten Virgins)

- ✓ AI's **growing potential/risks and capabilities/opportunities** are transforming individuals, organizations, and nations.
- ✓ We must prepare with the **right attitude and skill sets** to overcome AI challenges and seize AI opportunities.

## ❑ "Be Good and Faithful" (Parable of the Talents)

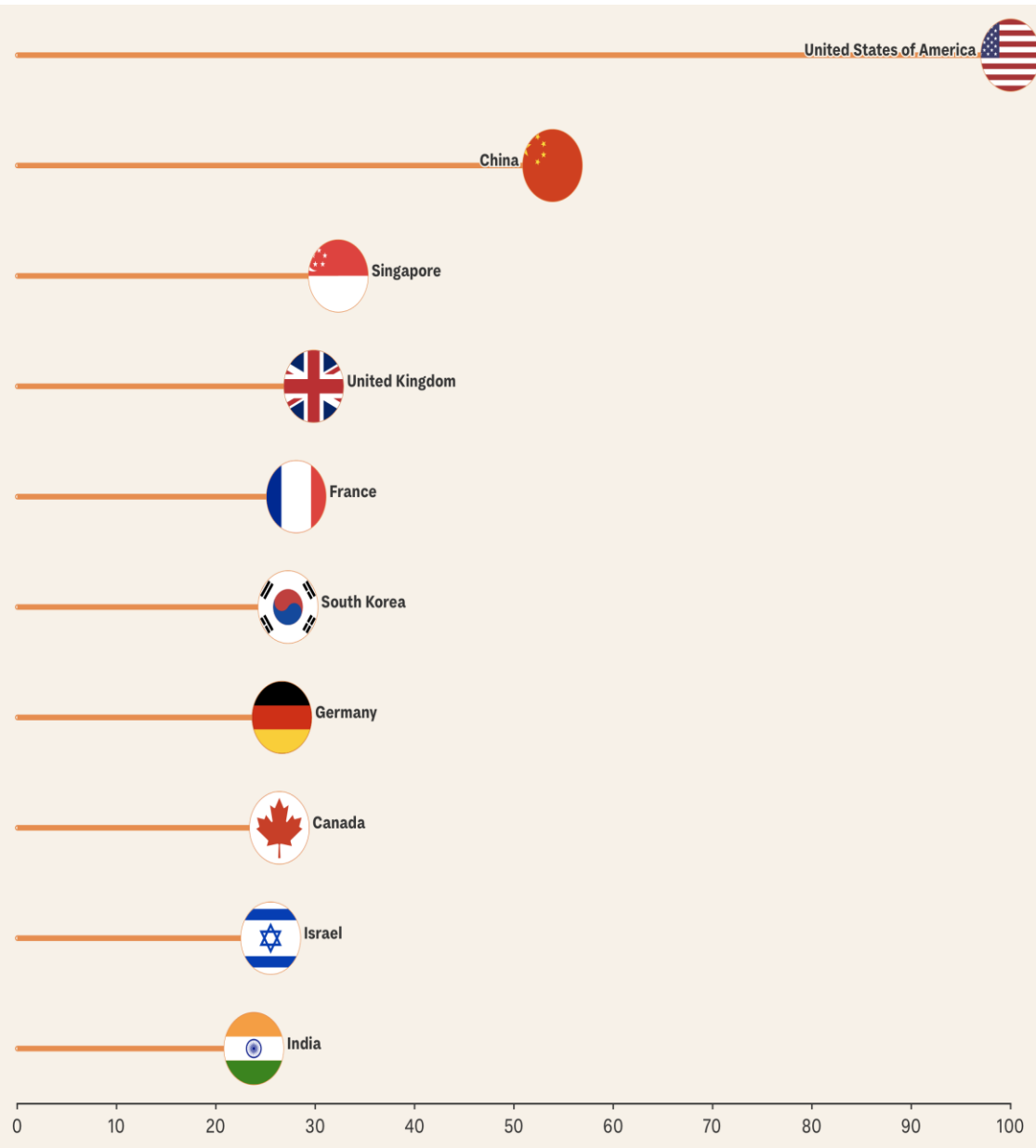
- ✓ AI's evolving landscape demands **responsible stewardship and creativity** from individuals, organizations, and nations.
- ✓ We must use our talents, resources, and knowledge effectively to advance **societal well-being** and **harness** AI's transformative potential.

## ❑ "Be Compassionate and Engaging" (Parable of the Sheep and the Goats)

- ✓ Use AI to **promote shared prosperity** and ensure fairness and justice.
- ✓ We must actively engage with others, address disparities, and use AI's capabilities to uplift the underserved and create a **blessed world**.

Matthew 25's lessons resonate deeply in the AI era by calling for **spiritual preparedness, responsible stewardship**, and **serving common human needs**.

## 3.2. WATCH HOW NATIONS COMPETE FOR AI-DRIVEN FUTURE



- **AI in Politics:** Hyper-personalized messaging fuels division and election disruptions.
- **Digital Populism:** Leaders bypass media, reshape governance with AI.
- **Economic Shift:** AI favors digital elites, reshaping wealth and policy.

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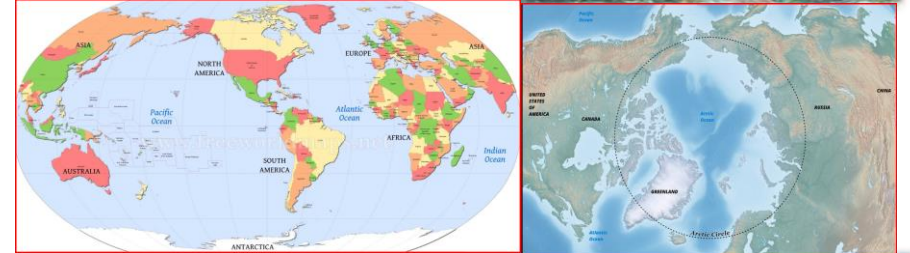
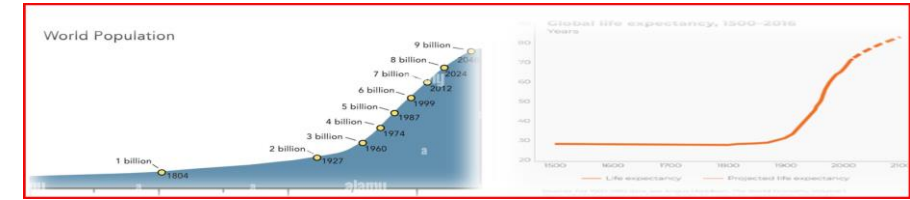
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# 3.3.WATCH EXPANDING NEW FRONTIERS WITH AI

- **Resolving Demographic Challenges and Life Expectancy.**
- **Deep-sea expansions:** AI-driven robotics and automation can revolutionize underwater resource extraction, habitation, and biodiversity conservation.
- **Desert forestation:** AI-enhanced climate models and precision agriculture could enable large-scale reforestation projects in arid regions, supporting sustainability and food security.
- **North Arctic sea routes:** AI-powered logistics, satellite monitoring, and climate modeling could optimize Arctic trade routes, balancing economic benefits with environmental concerns.
- **Space exploration and travel:** AI-accelerated scientific discovery, autonomous space navigation, and digital economies could make space settlements and interplanetary travel more feasible.



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### 3.4. PREPARE FOR THE FUTURE WORLD OF WORK

Category	Top 10 Skills on the Rise (WEF 2023)	Capabilities for AI Era
<b>Cognitive Skills</b>	1. Creative Thinking 2. Analytical Thinking 6. Systems Thinking	✓ Critical Thinking & Ethical Reasoning ✓ Adaptive Learning & Mental Agility ✓ Complex Problem-Solving & Systems Thinking
<b>Technological Skills</b>	3. Technological Literacy 7. AI and Big Data	✓ AI Literacy & Data Fluency ✓ Human-AI Collaboration & Decision Augmentation ✓ Cybersecurity & Digital Ethics
<b>Relational &amp; Self-Management Skills</b>	4. Curiosity and Lifelong Learning 5. Resilience, Flexibility, and Agility 8. Motivation and Self-awareness 9. Talent Management 10. Service Orientation & Customer Service	✓ Empathy & Emotional Intelligence. ✓ Collaboration & Teamwork ✓ Ethical Leadership & Resilience ✓ Service Orientation & Engagement

Note: **World Economic Forum**. <https://www.weforum.org/stories/2020/10/top-10-work-skills-of-tomorrow-how-long-it-takes-to-learn-them/>  
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## 3.5. PEOPLE WITH BIBLICAL VALUES IN AI ERA

Category	Top 10 Skills on the Rise (WEF 2023)	Capabilities for AI Era	Biblical Character Capabilities
<b>Cognitive Skills</b>	1. Creative Thinking 2. Analytical Thinking 6. Systems Thinking	✓ Critical Thinking & Ethical Reasoning ✓ Adaptive Learning & Mental Agility ✓ Complex Problem-Solving & Systems Thinking	<b>Humility</b> ✓ <b>Adaptability and Lifelong Learning</b> :Noah, Joseph, Daniel, Paul ✓ <b>Strategic Thinking and Problem-Solving</b> : Jacob, Moses, Joshua
<b>Technological Skills</b>	3. Technological Literacy 7. AI and Big Data	✓ AI Literacy & Data Fluency ✓ Human-AI Collaboration & Decision Augmentation ✓ Cybersecurity & Digital Ethics	<b>Faithfulness</b> ✓ <b>Resilience and Innovation in Crisis</b> : Isaac, Job, Gideon, Samson, Jephthah, Ruth, Deborah. Mordecai
<b>Relational &amp; Self-Management Skills</b>	4. Curiosity and Lifelong Learning 5. Resilience, Flexibility, and Agility 8. Motivation and Self-awareness 9. Talent Management 10. Service Orientation & Customer Service	✓ Empathy & Emotional Intelligence. ✓ Collaboration & Teamwork ✓ Ethical Leadership & Resilience ✓ Service Orientation & Engagement	<b>Goodness</b> ✓ <b>Cross-Cultural and Global Mindset</b> Paul and co-workers ✓ <b>Faith-Driven Vision and Ethical Leadership</b> Abraham, Hannah, Nehemiah

## 3.4. EMPOWERING MINISTRY WITH AI: FIVE ACTIONABLE TIPS

### ❑ **Present Biblical Models That Do Not Conform to the World but Shine as Salt and Light.**

- ✓ Ministry highlights how faithfulness, courage, holiness, and humility are crucial in the AI era and actively models these values in the workplace.

### ❑ **Pursue Work Productivity and Personal Integrity in using AI Tools.**

- ✓ Demonstrate that AI tools are user-friendly by having workshop sessions and integrating them into emails, planning, presentations, and analysis to enhance productivity while maintaining integrity in their use.

### ❑ **Ensure Transparency and Accountability in AI-Generated Content**

- ✓ While using AI-powered sermon assistants for basic background research and contextual illustrations, a pastor still relies on prayer and personal discernment to deliver a Christ-centered message, ensuring human oversight in all AI-generated content.

### ❑ **Leverage AI for Outreach While Maintaining Personal Connection**

- ✓ AI-driven social media analytics can help ministries identify trending spiritual topics and tailor outreach messages, but real discipleship requires face-to-face mentoring, prayer, and community support. Value personal relationships and prioritize human interactions over automation.

### ❑ **Evaluate AI Value Norms Through Biblical Principles**

- ✓ Before adopting AI for discipleship apps, Bible translation, or pastoral care, responsible team leaders prayerfully assess whether the tool aligns with biblical values. AI should serve truth, justice, and love, enhancing faith rather than prioritizing convenience alone.

## [4] CONCLUSION

- ❑ The AI Era brings both immense challenges and transformative opportunities, reshaping how we work, interact, and uphold societal values.
- ❑ To navigate this landscape, Christians must be aware of the worldly tendency to build a world apart from God, and at the same time actively engage as salt and light in the world to guide technological advancements for Christ and His kingdom.