



NEW HEART BEAT DEVOTIONS

Gen AI

"In the 1950's, the concept of human intelligence exhibited by machines (Artificial Intelligence) began to be developed. Then in the 1980's, Machine Learning (AI system that learns from historical data) emerged. In the 2010's, there was the development of Deep Learning (Machine Learning models that mimic brain function). Currently, Generative AI (Deep Learning models that create original content) is being used. This encompasses a broad range of techniques that enables computers to learn from and make inferences based on data without being explicitly programmed for specific tasks."¹

"Gen AI can act independently, replacing the need for human intelligence or intervention (a classic example being a self-driving car). It encompasses a broad range of techniques that enable computers to learn from and make inferences based on data without being explicitly programmed for specific tasks. Because deep learning doesn't require human intervention, it enables machine learning at a tremendous scale. The benefits of Gen AI are automation of repetitive tasks, more/faster insight from data, enhanced decision-making, fewer human errors, 24 x 7 availability and reduced physical risks. The risks include cyberattacks, unauthorized manipulation, operational drift, ethics, and legal."²

Whether we like it or not, AI is here and taking over. Even as I am writing this, AI is making corrections and suggestions. I accept most of the changes but will override a few when it changes my thoughts. The dangers that I see with Gen AI are that it will take away human work, reason, thinking, creativity, ambitions, learning, control, and decision making. There are no emotions, ethics, compassion, companionship, conscience, fear, soul, faith, or loyalty. AI has been used to generate false and damaging information, images, and videos. A local high school recently expelled two students who made and published sexual videos with AI using the faces of 20 classmates. AI facial recognition is already being used to identify criminals, terrorists and- in some countries - to control political dissidents.

Recently, a church in Switzerland developed an AI Jesus. This hologram was used to hear confessions, prayers, to give counsel, and to speak spiritual wisdom. It really interacted with people just like a real person. A lot of people came mostly out of curiosity. But this is dangerous because people will soon believe in this false Jesus and stop talking to the real one.

I have seen a movie where personal robots were in every home and one day they began to control humans. Could this be possible someday? It is hard to find a person without a cell phone and a home without a computer. How hard is it to find a house without a Bible?

We as Christians need to be aware of what is happening with technology. If we can use technology for the Gospel, then we should invest in it. But we need to be cautious of things that control lives without control from us, as well as technology usage that does not please the Lord.

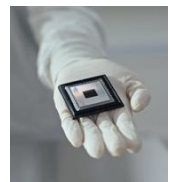
"For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God." I Cor 1:21a Gen AI can make human life easier, develop advances, and give knowledge but it cannot give true wisdom, save souls, bring peace, or morally improve mankind apart from God.



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"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him."

James 1:5



^{1 2} ibm.com/think/topics/artificial-intelligence

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