# Artificial Intelligence: A Tool of "Empowerment" and/or "Devastation and Impoverishment"

AI Techno-Hell Roundup: On WEF AI-Generated Bibles and the Chinese Police State

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*Surveying the latest transgressions against decency, morality, and humanity itself by artificial intelligence and its biological architects.*

One theme I've tried to work into my conversations with Joe Jarvis and Nicolas Creed regarding artificial intelligence, transhumanism, and related issues is: technology is a tool.

It can conceivably be a tool of evil and devastation and impoverishment, or a revolutionary one of empowerment and human flourishing. Which trajectory the AI revolution will take is still up in the air.

But, if the decision is left to the transhumanist technocrats who are currently bankrolling AI and hope to shape its development for their own interests, it will be the former.

Even the technology sector is not immune to automation.

Via City A.M.:

> "Artificial intelligence could replace 7,800 jobs at the technology giant, International Business Machines Corporation (IBM), according to its chief executive.
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> Arvind Krishna told Bloomberg News on Monday that the company expected to pause hiring for non-customer facing roles, such as human resources.
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> "I could easily see 30 per cent of that getting replaced by AI and automation over a five-year period," Krishna told the outlet, of the company's 26,000 non-consumer facing roles."

And what of the blue-collar workers?

They don't stand a chance, except in certain niche industries that, for various reasons, cannot be done well now or in the immediate future by AI – psychologists, for instance, as even supercomputers can't comprehend the intricacies of the human mind.

Are all of the displaced railroad workers or soldiers replaced by AI going to "learn to code?"

Of course not and, anyway, there are a finite number of coding jobs – not nearly enough to compensate for the automation of all or nearly all of the manufacturing, service, transportation sectors, etc.

The synopsis here is that human well-being and AI are incompatible under the modern economic model. Something fundamental and transformation for the economy and society we often take for granted is going to change, one way or another – for better or worse.

Joe Jarvis recently took viewers on a guided tour of his father's off-grid, modest yet highly impressive housing situation. This is the kind of approach to independence that we could all incorporate more of in our lives, myself included.

## 'AI godfather' warns of technology's existential threat

Former high-level Google Executive and the man recognized by many as the "godfather of AI," Geoffrey Hinton, has some choice warnings regarding the technology he helped pioneer.

Via [International Business Times](#):

> "A computer scientist often dubbed "the godfather of artificial intelligence" has quit his job at Google to speak out about the dangers of the technology, US media reported Monday.
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> Geoffrey Hinton, who created a foundation technology for AI systems, told The New York Times that advancements made in the field posed "profound risks to society and humanity".
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> "Look at how it was five years ago and how it is now," he was quoted as saying in the piece, which was published on Monday."

## TSA introduces techno-slaves to 'voluntary' facial recognition technology at airports

Since 9/11, American airports have been the testing ground for [technological impositions on fundamental privacy rights and civil liberties](#) espoused in the Constitution and federal case law.

In that tradition, the agency has recently rolled out what it describes as ["voluntary" face scans allegedly necessary for identity verification purposes](#).

Via [Associated Press](#):

"A passenger walks up to an airport security checkpoint, slips an ID card into a slot and looks into a camera atop a small screen. The screen flashes "Photo Complete" and the person walks through — all without having to hand over their identification to the TSA officer sitting behind the screen.

It's all part of a pilot project by the Transportation Security Administration to assess the use of facial recognition technology at a number of airports across the country.

"What we are trying to do with this is aid the officers to actually determine that you are who you say who you are," said Jason Lim, identity management capabilities manager, during a demonstration of the technology to reporters at Baltimore-Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport."

> I was checking in at PHX and they have a new device that randomly requires people to scan their face into the screen pictured below
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> The TSA agent required the person before me to scan their face but not me [pic.twitter.com/95cIH5fGxa](pic.twitter.com/95cIH5fGxa)
>
> — Merissa Hamilton 🇺🇸 🦅 (@merissahamilton) [March 17, 2022](March 17, 2022)

In national security state parlance, "voluntary" means "do it or you'll get molested by an obese thug with blue latex gloves until he's good and satisfied. We'll also put you on a domestic terror list."

So lots of the public will bend over and take it good and hard.

## CCP grants itself new powers to fight AI-generated 'misinformation'

The Chinese Communist Party has granted itself even more censorship powers than it already had under the guise of fighting AI-generated "misinformation."

Via [AI News](AI News):

> "China's Cyberspace Administration (CAC) has [launched](launched) a campaign to combat fake news generated by AI.
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> The crackdown is focused on news providers, including short video platforms and popular search lists.
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> The CAC specifically highlighted manipulative practices such as the use of AI virtual anchors, forged studio scenes, fake news accounts mimicking legitimate ones, and the manipulation of news to create misleading storylines. These practices are employed to generate what's often known as clickbait."

Nina Jankowicz and her [failed Disinformation Governance Board](failed Disinformation Governance Board) look on in envy. But she can rest easy knowing that CCP-style techno-hell will be imported to America in good time.

## WEF Technocrat Yuval Noah Harari: Let's Use AI to 'Rewrite' Bible

[WEF lieutenant Yuval Noah Harari](WEF lieutenant Yuval Noah Harari) is titillated by the prospect of replacing ancient, human-

derived texts with soulless AI productions.

> "It's the first technology ever that can create new ideas.
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> You know, the printing press, radio, television, they broadcast, they spread the ideas created by the human brain, by the human mind. They cannot create a new idea. You know, [Johannes] Gutenberg printed the Bible in the middle of the 15th century; the printing press printed as many copies of the Bible as Gutenberg instructed it, but it did not create a single new page. It had no ideas of its own about the Bible: Is it good? Is it bad? How to interpret this? How to interpret that?"
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> AI can create new ideas. It can even write a new Bible."
> -Yuval Noah Harari

Reverence for anything transcendent aside from technology is unwelcome competition to the likes of Harari.

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