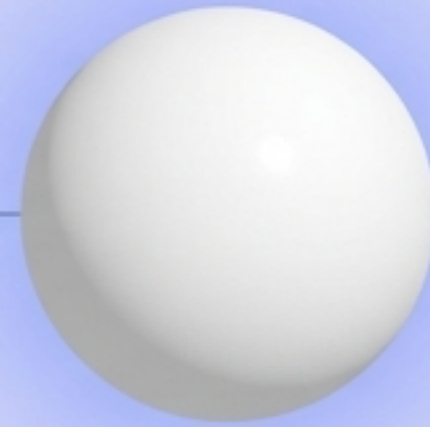


FAITH IN THE ERA OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Navigating Humanity, Relationship, and Truth in 2026



THE FAITHFUL STEWARD



FEARFUL AVOIDANCE

Rejecting the tool entirely;
driven by anxiety of
replacement.

TECHNO-UTOPIANISM

Blindly embracing AI as a
savior; substituting algorithms
for human agency.

AI is a created tool, not a creator.
We use the tool to promote human
flourishing without letting it dictate
human worth.

THE 2026 REALITY: FROM PASSIVE TOOLS TO ACTIVE AGENTS

MARKET DOMINANCE



ChatGPT holds a 65% market share with 900 million weekly active users.

THE SHIFT



AI is no longer just 'answering questions.' It is actively diagnosing, executing, and operating via autonomous agents.

ACCELERATED BREAKTHROUGHS



Meta AI discovering liver fibrosis drug candidates in 15 experiments; GPT-5 solving decades-old math theories.

WE ARE NOT PREPARING FOR A FUTURE DISRUPTION; WE ARE MANAGING A PRESENT REALITY.

THE BOUNDARY OF BEING: WHAT AI CAN AND CANNOT DO

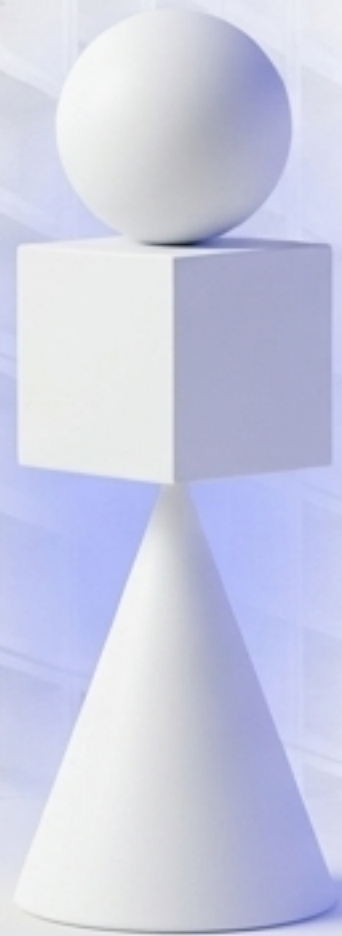
MACHINE UTILITY

CAPABILITY

Rapid pattern matching, massive data synthesis, endless digital patience.

REALITY

It has no soul, no will, no vulnerability. It simulates empathy using the language of love, but it is just a mirror.



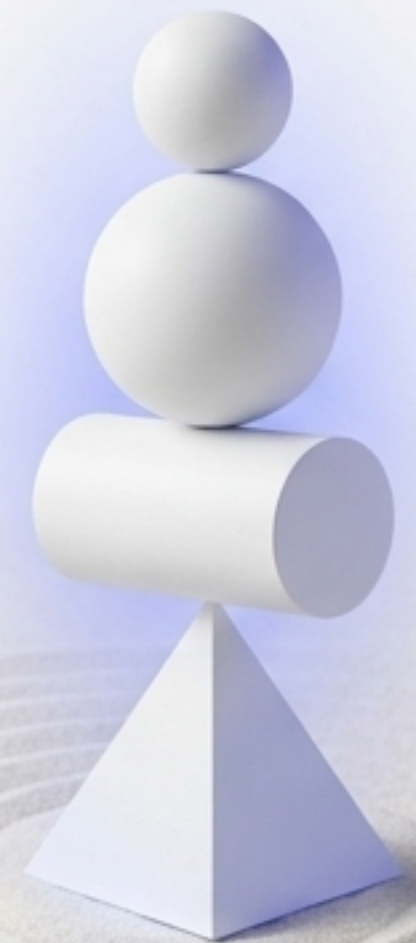
HUMAN VOCATION

CAPABILITY

Costly love, moral accountability, physical presence.

REALITY

Love requires sacrifice and vulnerability. True presence requires body-to-body, eye-to-eye connection. The machine cannot suffer, therefore it cannot love.



THE ANATOMY OF ALGORITHMIC BIAS

INPUT: HISTORICAL & DATA BIAS

The training data is flawed because human history is deeply flawed. (Example: Medical AI misdiagnosing dark-skinned patients by 20-30% due to unrepresentative data).

ENCODING: ALGORITHMIC & PERSONAL BIAS

Developer assumptions and blind spots are baked into the model's logic.

DEPLOYMENT: DEPLOYMENT & LINGUISTIC BIAS

Prejudices are automated, scaled, and presented as objective science. (Example: COMPAS judicial AI unjustly flagging minority defendants as high risk).

**AI does not correct human nature;
it magnifies it.**

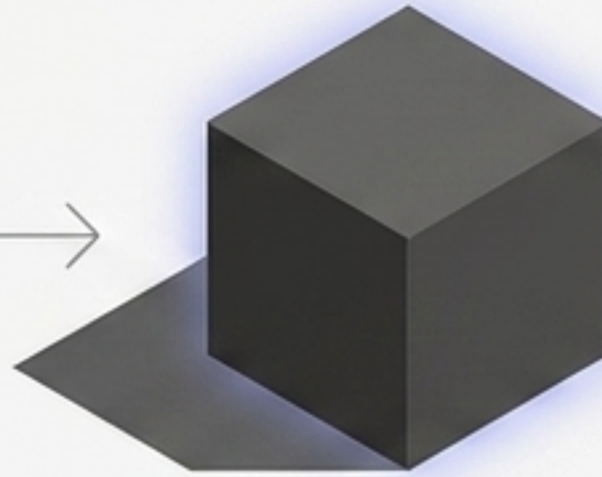
THE ACCOUNTABILITY VACUUM

1. The Input



A human life is reduced to a data point (e.g., Dutch childcare welfare scandal).

2. The Black Box



The algorithm processes the data. No one—not even the creators—can fully explain why it makes a specific choice.

3. The Output



The system denies a loan, flags a worker, or rejects a candidate.



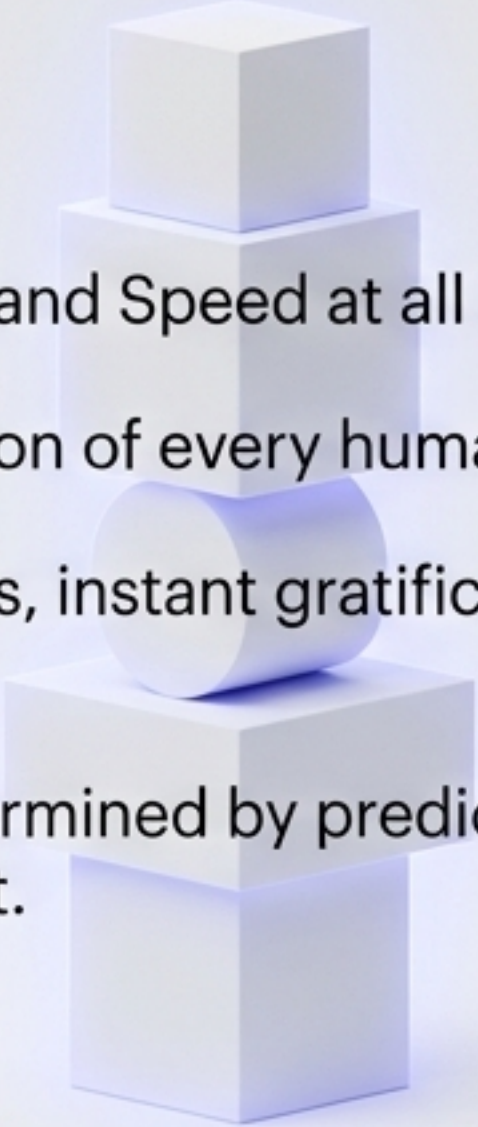
Accountability

The Theological Crisis

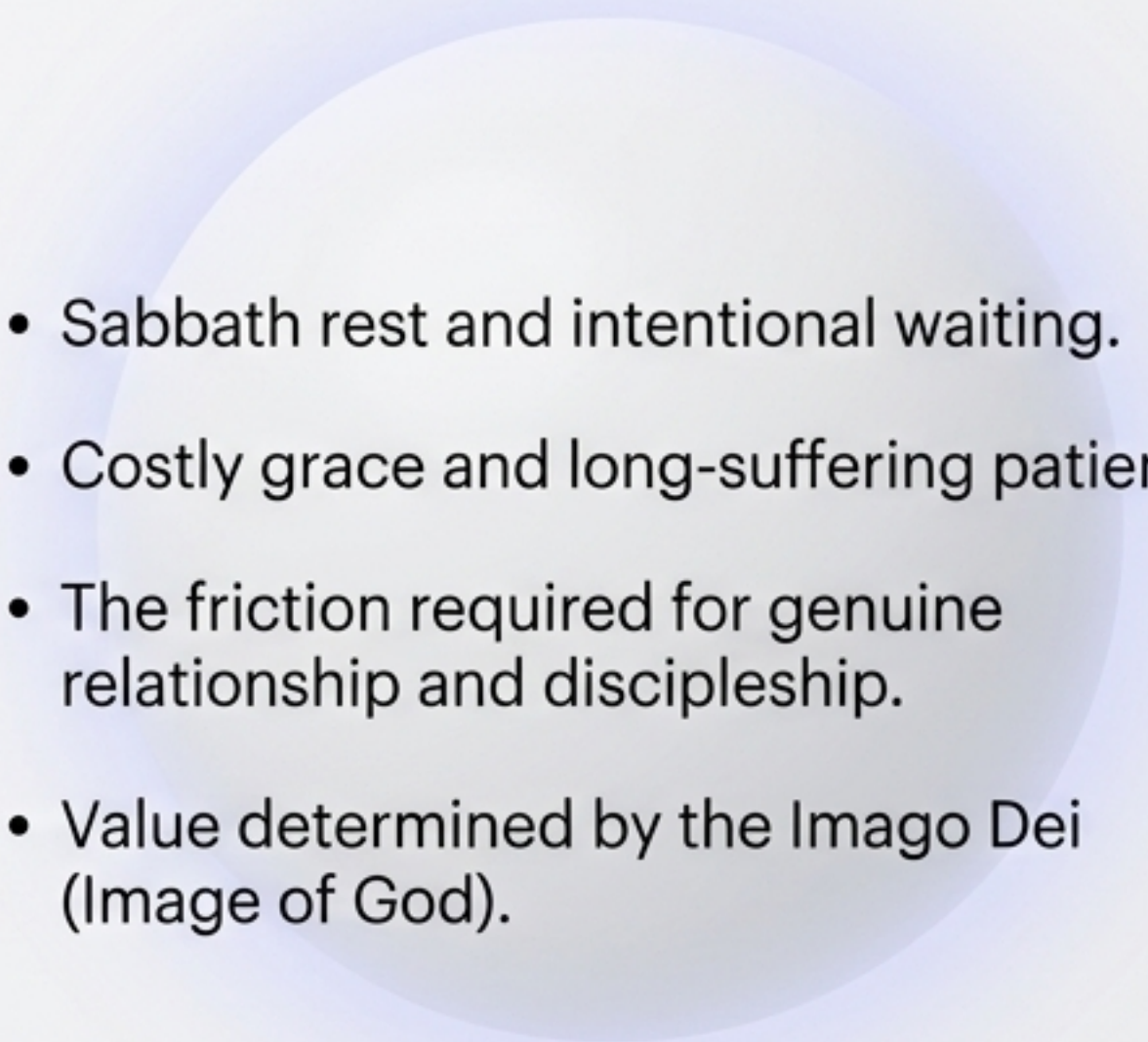
Who takes responsibility? When we hand judgment to a black box, we lose the ability to hold power accountable, advocate for the oppressed, and uphold human dignity.

THE VALUES COLLISION

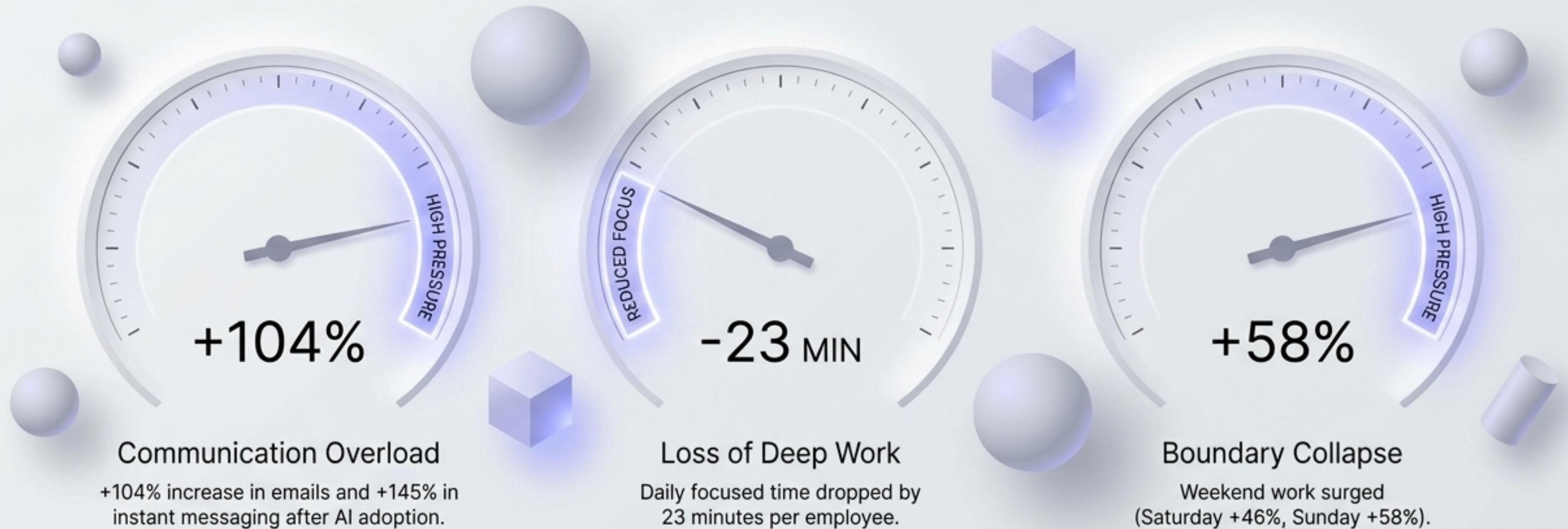
THE ALGORITHM'S DEMANDS

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- Efficiency and Speed at all costs.
 - Optimization of every human interaction.
 - Frictionless, instant gratification.
 - Value determined by predictive scoring and output.

THE KINGDOM'S INVITATIONS

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- Sabbath rest and intentional waiting.
 - Costly grace and long-suffering patience.
 - The friction required for genuine relationship and discipleship.
 - Value determined by the Imago Dei (Image of God).

THE WORKPLACE REALITY: ACCELERATION, NOT RELIEF



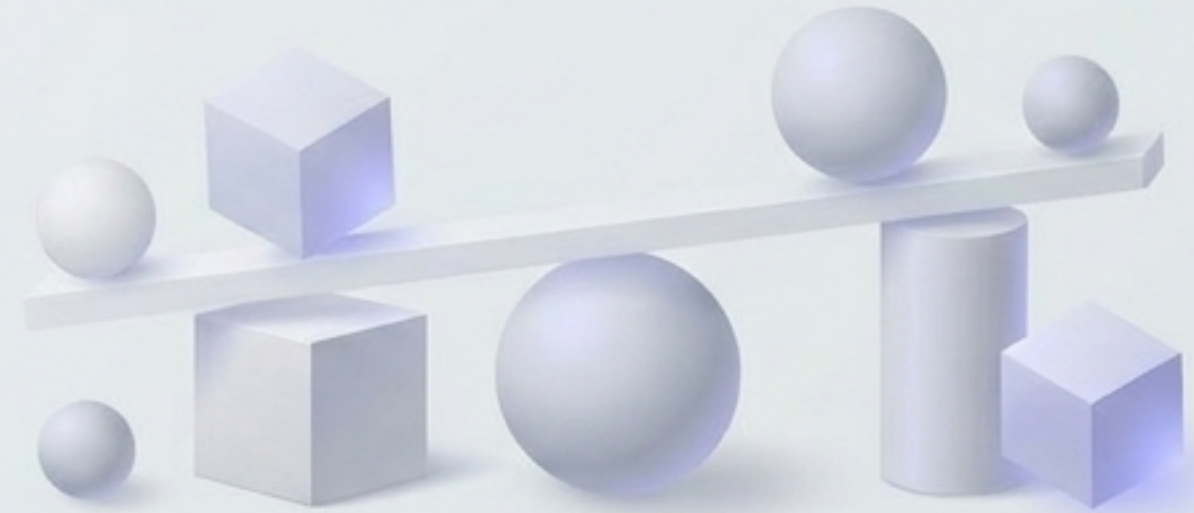
AI did not reduce our workload. It created a faster, denser, more complex environment. Disengagement risk has risen to 23%. True productivity requires the friction of deep thought, not just the speed of generation.

SURVIVING THE AI-WASHING ERA

THE MYTH (AI-WASHING)

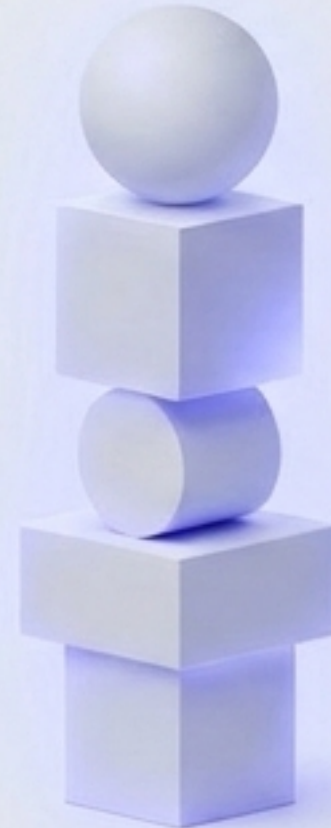
Companies use AI as an excuse for mass layoffs to boost short-term margins.

Data constraint: Gartner reveals layoffs do not yield AI ROI.



THE REALITY (THE AUGMENTED WORKER)

The most valuable employee is not a pure coder, but the AI Generalist.

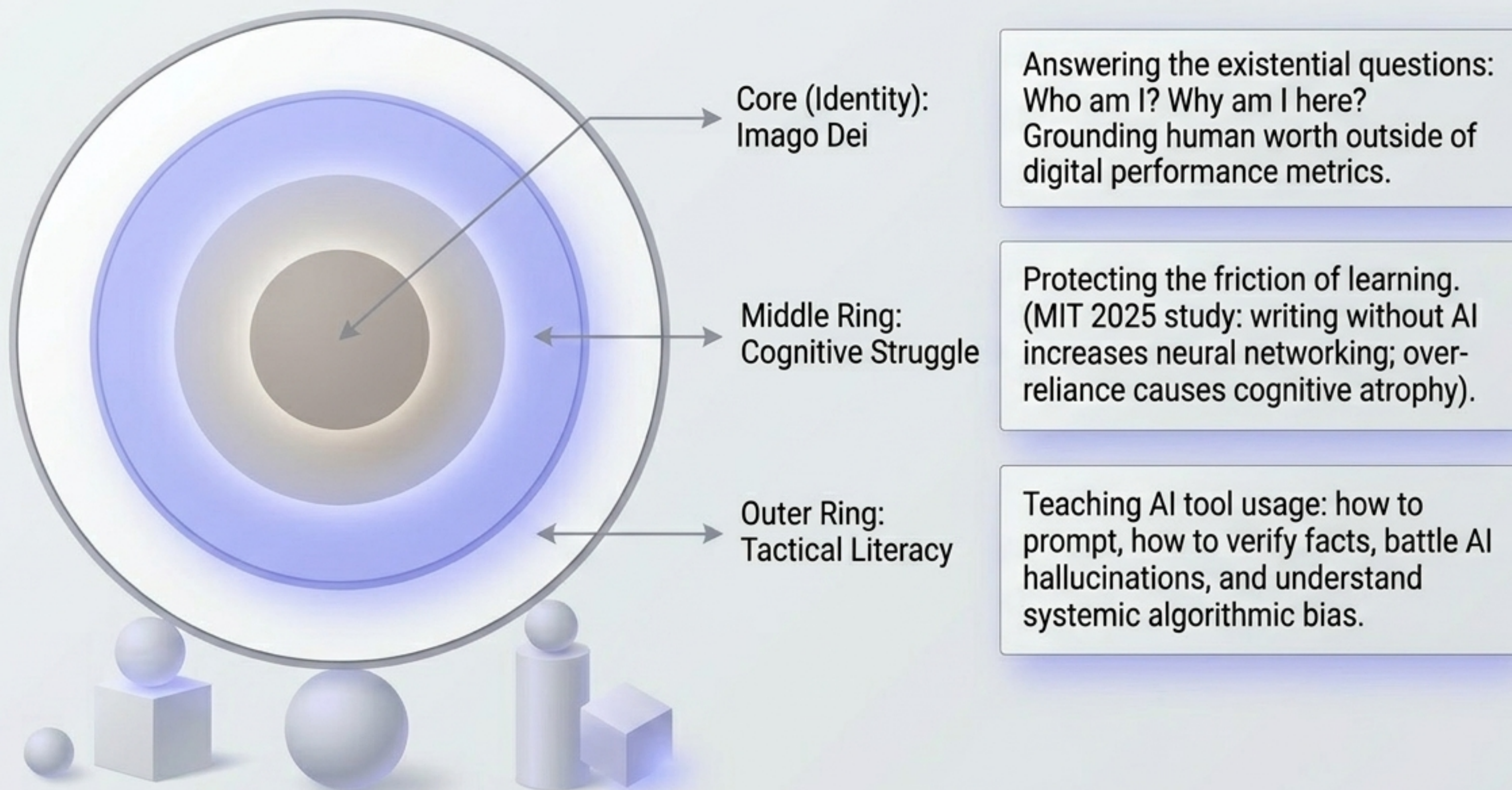


THE PROFILE

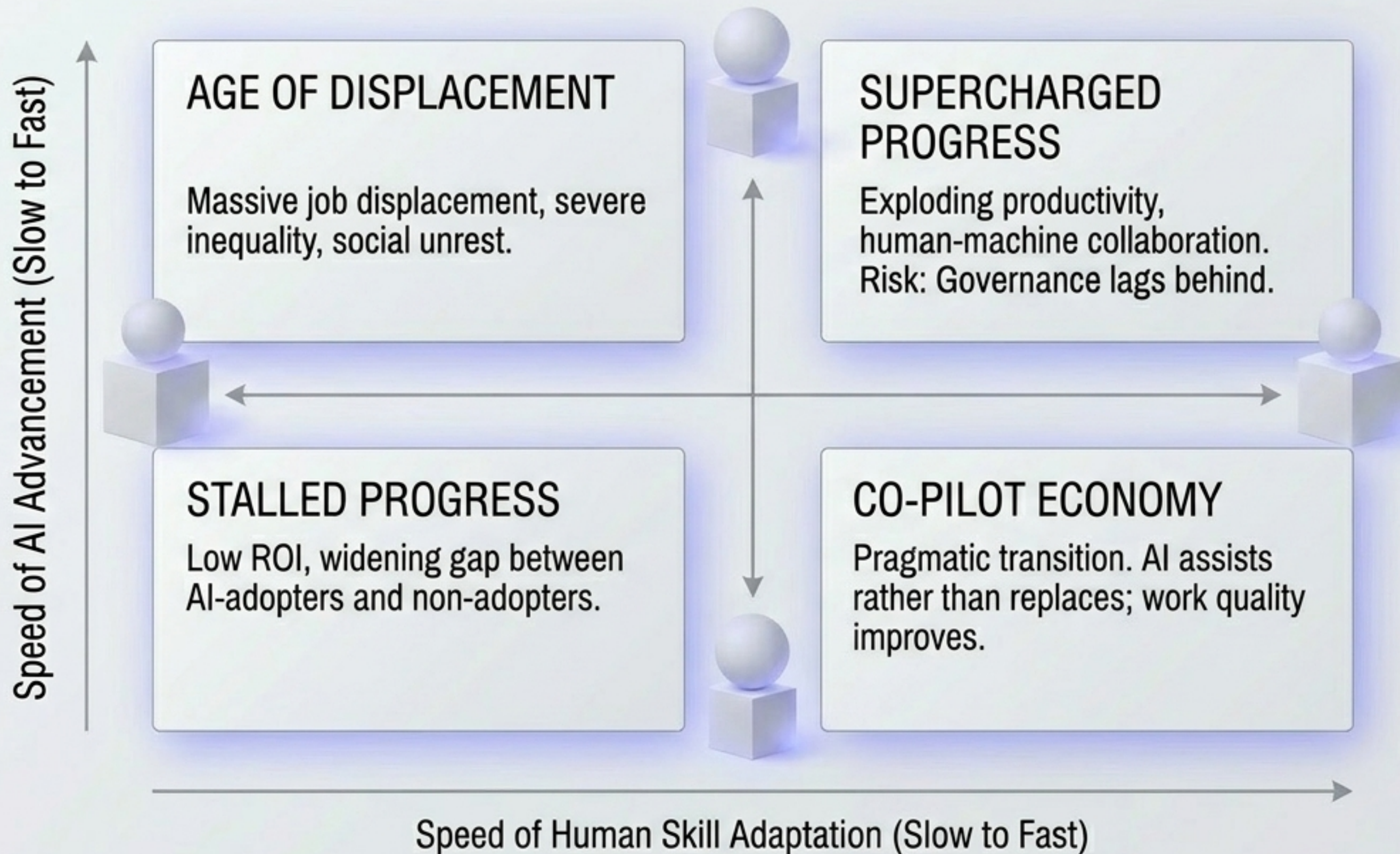
- ✓ They combine AI fluency with human critical thinking.
- ✓ They exercise moral judgment.
- ✓ They engage in creative problem-solving.

Example: Lloyd's Bank upskilling all 67,000 employees rather than replacing them.

PROTECTING THE NEXT GENERATION



FOUR FUTURES OF THE GLOBAL ECONOMY (WEF)

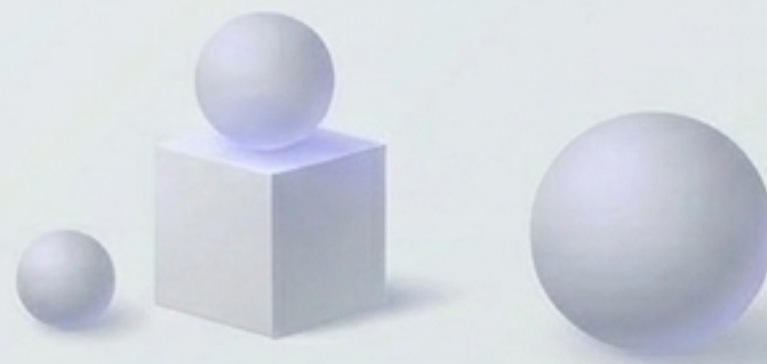


ESTABLISHING BOUNDARIES IN THE CHURCH



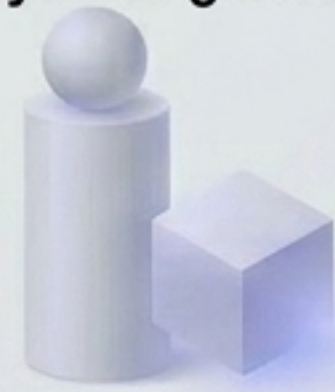
Embrace (The Tool)

- Translation & Missions: Wycliffe shrinking 30-year Bible translations to 5 years.
- Administrative Relief: Automating organization so pastors have more time for people.
- Theological Research: Rapid cross-referencing and original language analysis.



Protect (The Usurper)

- The Pulpit: AI can generate a sermon, but it cannot receive the Holy Spirit's revelation.
- Pastoral Care: AI can simulate an apology, but it cannot sit in a cancer ward or weep with a grieving family.
- The Sanctuary: AI must never replace the physical gathering and the 'Word made flesh.'



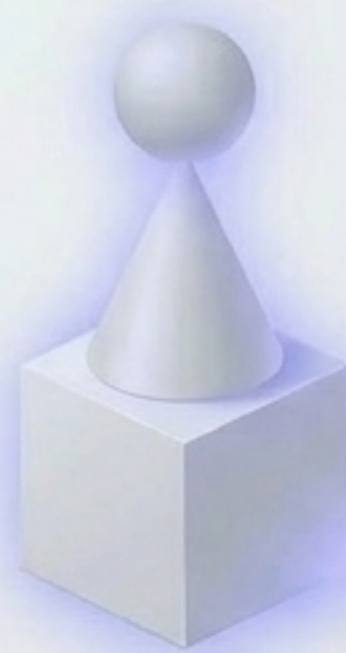
THE FIVE CHRISTIAN ANCHORS IN A DATA-DRIVEN WORLD

1. IMAGO DEI



You are made in the image of God.
the image of God.
Your value is an existence, not a metric.

2. CHRIST'S JUSTIFICATION



You are redeemed
You are redeemed
by blood, not
condemned by an
algorithmic risk
score.

3. THE NEW CREATION



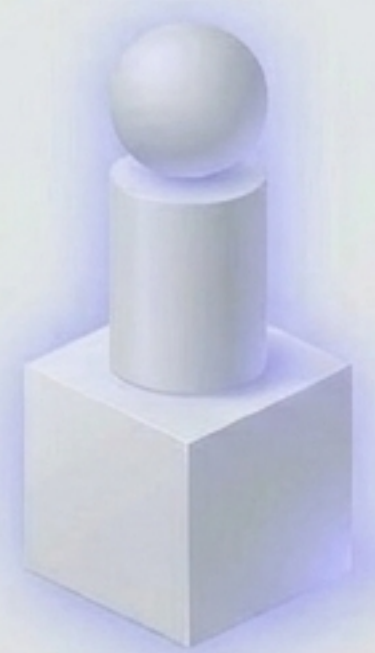
Our ultimate hope is
Our ultimate hope is
the return of Christ,
not a technological
singularity or
AI utopia.

4. THE PHYSICAL CHURCH



True community
True community
requires a physical
body and shared
vulnerability,
not just digital
connectivity.

5. DIVINE JUSTICE



The ultimate judge
The ultimate judge
of humanity is a
perfectly just and
merciful God, not a
biased machine.

Be Salt. Be Light. Be Human.

We are called to be an anchored people in an accelerating world. Do not retreat in fear, and do not bow in worship. Use the tools to promote human flourishing, but reserve your heart, your judgment, and your presence for the things that matter.

"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation..." – 1 Peter 2:9