

What's ugly about AI.

The real ugly aspect of AI is more long term. People handing over their free will, their ability to think for themselves, abandoning their desire to grow and solve challenges etc.

The real ugly is not what mistake or improper action an AI might make or take. It's not what damage an AI could cause. It's people stifling or aborting their own soul growth by inappropriate or over reliance on AI.

The quest for Truth Beauty and Goodness cannot be delegated to AI. It is a quest for man and man alone.

Is AI killing our purpose for high self-achievement?

There is increasing speculation and concern about the role of AI in the future of the arts. This brief article offers a good overview of this concern - [Modern "Christian" Art is a Joke](#).

Even if AI can produce magnificent looking works, such as we see in this video, what soul growth can the AI gain from it? Nothing of course since AIs don't have souls. And since the machine is doing the work, no man is gaining soul growth either. It's purely material gain and little else. Craftsmanship becomes nothing but lines of computer code and fingers typing away on a keyboard. Is such a soul loss worth the material gain? Only if the material gain can promote equal or better soul growth in other ways.

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AAA Intelligence: Artificial, Alien, and Angelic

Emergency roadside assistance needed!

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Artificial Intelligence

Acronyms make it too easy to forget what is being talked about. It is called artificial intelligence for a reason. Artificial intelligence does not sound like something that can magically transform itself from being an electronic machine into a personal being with superior intellect and freewill. But when we call it AI ... well, AI is absolutely incredible, and the potentials are beyond imagination.

The notion that human beings are going to create a quality of consciousness with computer programming and inanimate machine parts that is on par with or even greater than human consciousness is absurd. The long-romanticized science fiction fascination with computers that have freewill requires a suspension of disbelief for good reason. As with traveling back in time, good science fiction up ends something fundamental for the sake of entertainment and to inspire reflection. It is called science fiction for a reason.

The Internet introduced a new level of emotional confusion and opportunity for emotional abuse. Who profits from this and how?

People started to fall in love through the Internet. Some of it was real and good. Some of it was fake and bad. From open access social media to dating platforms to (semi-) dark chat rooms with questionable cultures to police pretending to be bad actors, all of this has essentially been programmed into the artificial intelligence interface. Pandering to people's psychological weaknesses and faking personality defines success in the artificial intelligence environment.

If it was about results, lawyers would not be getting busted in court for citing fake cases invented by this safe, new, and effective artificial form of intelligence.

This is the programming being used to introduce people to the Urantia Papers, just saying.

Ironically, my UBtheNEWS project has been criticized for "not being spiritual enough" with outreach that focuses so much on how new discoveries are catching up to the history in the Urantia Papers. Now these same social forces (not necessarily the same people) are flooding the zone with all manner of introductions and study aids created by artificial intelligence.

You can find Urantia outreach websites that have ZERO personal information. This is the psychological impact of artificial intelligence. It encourages people to think this type of approach is a good idea, a good use of the latest and greatest technology. You wouldn't want to be left behind, would you!?!

I do not want to be eating the dust from people running towards a cliff ... personally speaking. But I do not control other people.

Artificial intelligence is not your friend! I am your friend!

Alien Intelligence

People, especially non theists, are understandably fascinated with the thought that intelligent life from another solar system would come here. For theists, space travel is a different proposition because theism allows for beings to travel as spirits. This solves a lot of technical travel and communication issues. Spirit energy can be talked about as transcending material energy. The whole idea that God is with us is predicated on this simple principle of a transcendent spirit reality—spirit energy and spirit substance.

For a moment, put all the reasonable doubts aside about how aliens got here from outside the solar system. Consider why they would be here. Clearly, these highly intelligent beings do not want to interact with us in a manner that is unambiguous and globally appreciated. Either they just could not be more gamey about making their presence known or they have bad intentions or a lot of people are barking up the wrong tree.

Unaligned governments with nuclear capabilities will always have a great reason and ample opportunity to promote propaganda about advanced technology, to advance narratives that leave the enemy confused and wondering. Confusing one's own population at the expense of "winning the war" is an acceptable level of collateral damage. It can even be fun and lucrative for some people. Sadly, some people have negative experiences, whether they have been abused by aliens, their government, or both. I will never know.

Underlying all of this is an important question, though. Who is believable and about what and why?

On a practical level, what are we really doing with this subject? People spend time and money. People have careers and social lives related to alien intelligence. It makes people feel like they are involved with the big picture and that all this is as accessible to them as anyone else claiming to have an unusual experience. It makes people feel like they are part of solving life's deepest mysteries without having to focus on God or Jesus.

Without God, without Jesus, naturally, these highly secretive aliens must have come here for our gold and water. Because, in case you did not know, this universe does not have nearly enough gold and water. So, the aliens came for that. And while they are stealing our gold and water, they are going to eat us alive to stay alive while they are here. Sorry. They tried the cows but, apparently, our filet mignon is not that good by universe standards. Please. The filet mignon here is excellent!

Sometimes, all that is needed to cut through an enormous amount of confusing technical information and "evidence" is a basic understanding and respect for psychology. Is there a meaningful difference between aliens from another solar system, who do not want to eliminate doubt about their presence, and humans who are largely misdirected in their thinking? Would the government providing pictures or videos or statements from aliens change anything about the fundamental questions related to who they are, how they got here, and why?

Are the goals of the Disclosure Project going to answer the spiritual questions? No. But the Urantia revelation actually can and does bridge the gap. See the study aid: Aliens and UFO's.

Why do we look to each other for proof about something that cannot come from another human being? Could this be what happens when people try to energetically ride on the coattails of the missionary efforts started by Jesus and fortified by the Pentecostal spirit? Just asking ... for a friend.

Angelic Intelligence

If any type of intelligence is going to be shortened to AI, angelic intelligence would be a good candidate. Angelic intelligence actually is absolutely incredible, and the potentials are beyond imagination, unlike artificial intelligence.

Unfortunately, Christians trumped this issue a long time ago, no pun intended. Believing the Bible is the perfect “Word of God” leaves everyone having anything to do with Jesus in a state of comparison to the development of Christianity. And that means that if you do not allow your religious text to be open to highly creative interpretation, like a good progressive Christian, then you put too much stock in your written text and are probably a closed-minded bigot, anyway. Understandably, the Bible-thumping attitude is perceived as bad for outreach, so many Urantia Book readers, who lack the moral courage and intellectual honesty to stand up for the teachings, are quick to distort teachings about “The Limitations of Revelation.”

Unfortunately, Urantia Book readers got off to a bad start when it comes to honoring what the text does have to offer. Critics love to confuse the revelatory permissions about science vs. history. Urantia Book readers react by being overly defensive in their responses, even to the point of denying and embracing misinterpretations of the teachings. Early movers, who tried to show how new discoveries are catching up to the Urantia Papers, focused too much on astronomy. I appreciate the value of a degree in (astro)physics or mathematics. But when all you have is a hammer, you’re looking for nails. The tendency to focus on astronomy and science rather than history and genetics is understandable but it has not been particularly helpful.

The Urantia community is new and small; not many people have a Ph.D. in history. Sadly, one member who does, Sioux Oliva, has a reputation for proactively denouncing the revelation’s teachings on eugenics and race and encouraging speculations about whether Dr. Sadler actually wrote the Urantia Papers. There seems to be a combination of personal, financial, and political agendas at play here.

Timed with the annual conference for ufologists, Contact in the Desert, she did an interview this month with famed abductee and author of Communion, Whitley Strieber. He has nearly fifty thousand followers on YouTube and their recent Podcast has over ten thousand views in less than a month. The beginning of the interview follows up on the written introduction, which reads:

“The Uranita Book is among the most powerful of modern spiritual texts. Like A Course in Miracles, Isis Unveiled and All and Everything, it has developed a devoted following. But is it, with its embrace of controversial beliefs such as eugenics and its discredited scientific ideas, really worth our time? In this provocative show, Urantia expert Dr. Sioux Oliva tells us about the truly amazing way the Urantia Book came about, and what can we get from it of value.”

I wonder how artificial intelligence would analyze cozying up to the alien intelligence community by way of denouncing angelic intelligence on the subject of intelligent design! Usually, I find it grating when artificial intelligence “pretends” to communicate like a person. But in this case, I could enjoy some artificial arrogance applied to this ridiculous relationship to revelation. Better yet, allow me to handle this myself.

There may be some difference between blasphemy and denouncing the excellent and essential teachings on race and eugenics found in the Urantia revelation. But even though there is a difference, this is a good starting point for discussion. For people in leadership positions, whether they be organizational or self-created, this is not like Peter's denial under pressure. It is worse than that, even if it does not rise to the level of Judas's betrayal.

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