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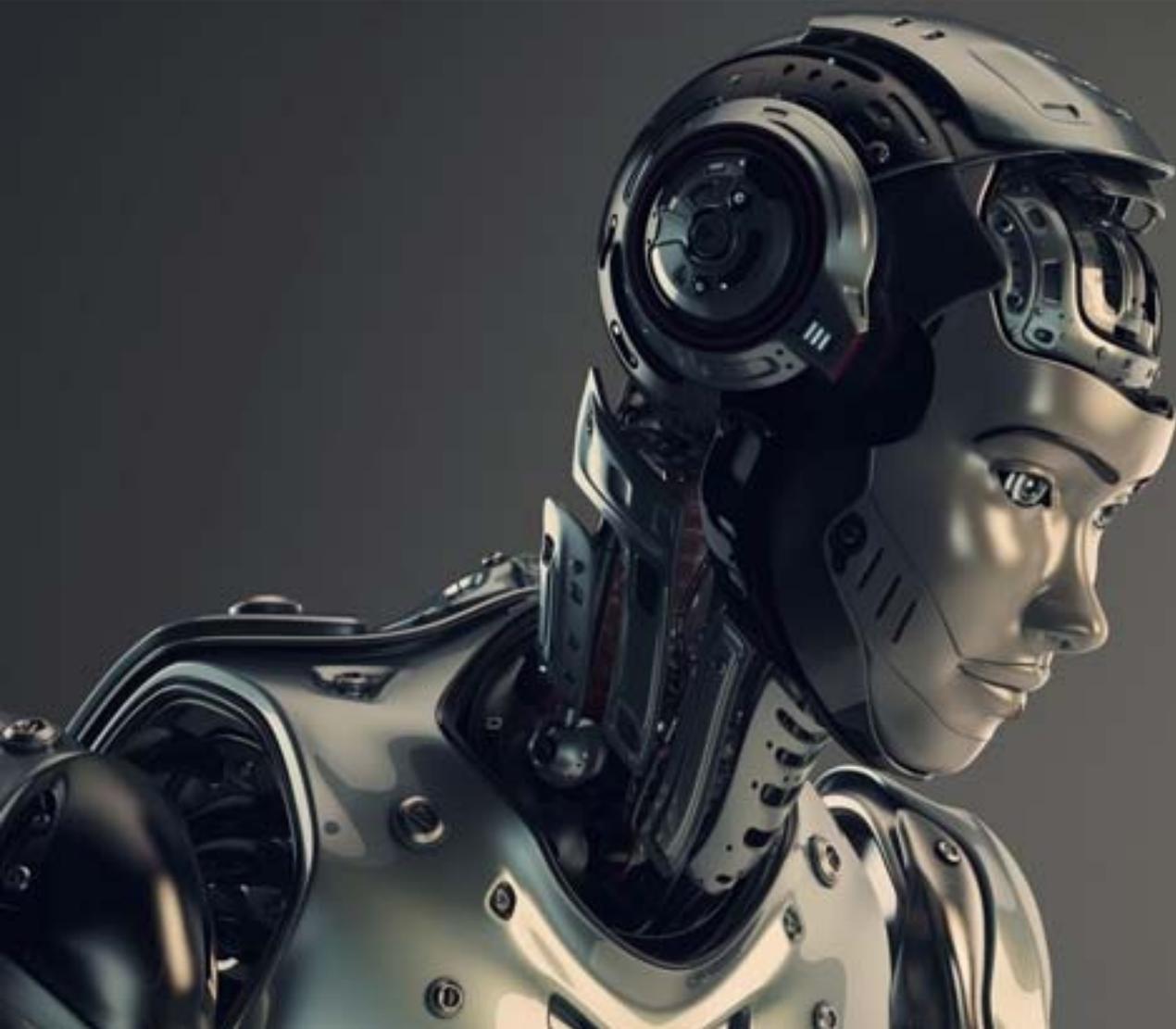
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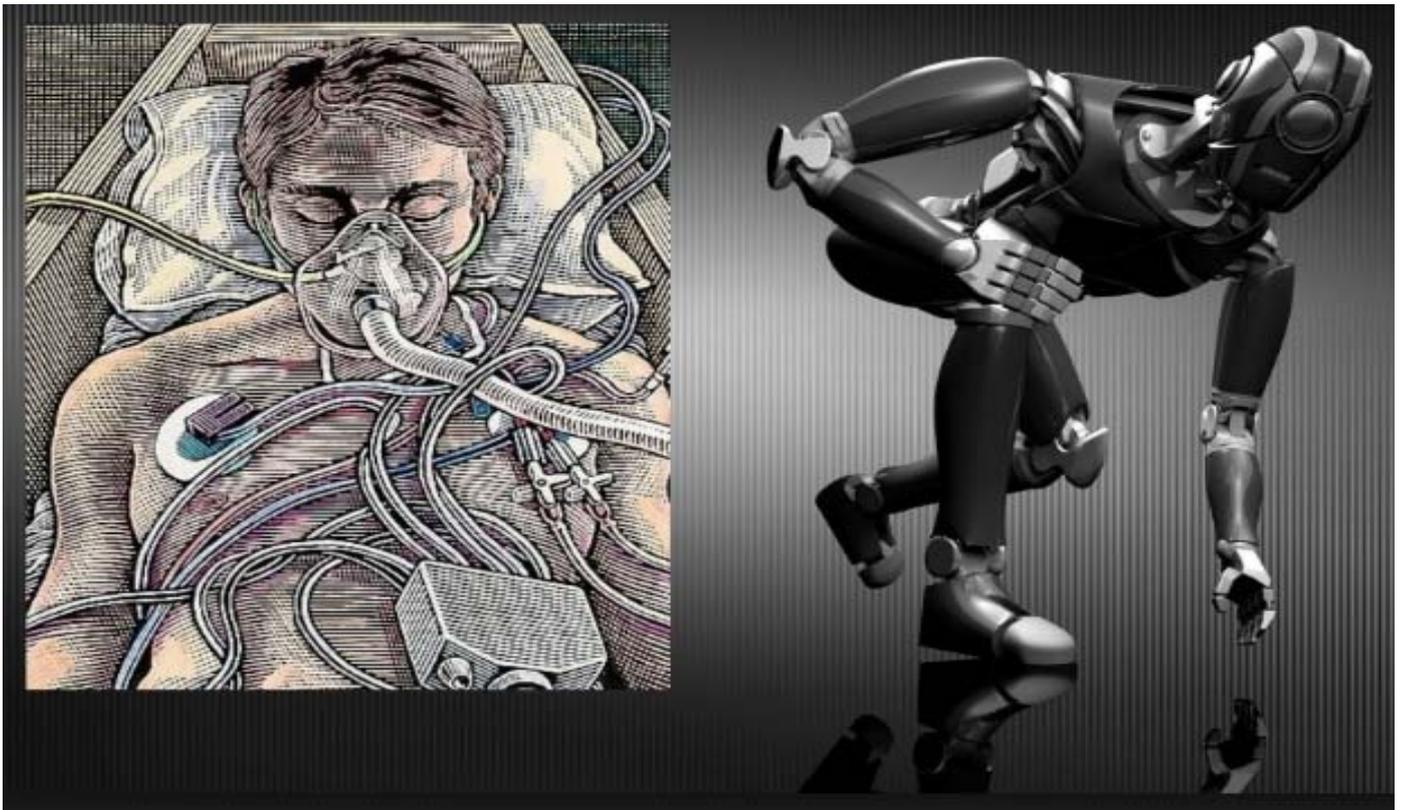
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Taken in its original context, Jesus did not necessarily say that unless those days are shortened, "humanity will not survive." Instead, he said unless those days are shortened, "no flesh will survive."

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Dear Global Watch Weekly Member

This generation is witness to the emergence of a radical new social movement known as transhumanism. Expressing an unshakable faith in the continued and rapid advancement of human technology, transhumanists look to the future with what can only be described as a religious fervor. Many of this movement's adherents point to the singularity (an exponential increase in technological advancement so rapid the unaided human mind is unable to grasp its implications) as the climax of human civilization. Believing this event will usher in a new era for the human race in which limited mortals transcend their biological bodies or are able to extend their consciousness into a new host vessel and set out to conquer the universe, transhumanist anticipation of the singularity is comparable to Christian anticipation of the Second Coming of Jesus Christ.



Ironically, the Bible points out that in the time just prior to the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, the world will be characterized by unparalleled human arrogance. Led by the Antichrist, the human race will launch not only a spiritual rebellion against God, but an actual physical confrontation between itself and the King of Kings, Jesus Christ.

The apostle Paul foresaw this conflict almost two thousand years ago:

"For that day will not come until there is a great rebellion against God and the man of lawlessness is revealed--the one who brings destruction. He will exalt himself and defy every god there is and tear down every object of adoration and worship. He will position himself in the temple of God, claiming that he himself is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:3-4, NLT).

To properly understand the origins of this rebellion, we must first examine the development of human civilization in the aftermath of the Flood. It is a time marked by another rebellion first chronicled in Genesis chapter 11, the story of the Tower of Babel:

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"At one time the whole world spoke a single language and used the same words. As the people migrated eastward, they found a plain in the land of Babylonia and settled there. They began to talk about construction projects. "Come," they said, "Let's make great piles of burnt brick and collect natural asphalt to use as mortar. Let's build a great city with a tower that reaches to the skies--a monument to our greatness! This will bring us together and keep us from scattering all over the world." But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. Look!" he said. "If they can accomplish this when they have just begun to take advantage of their common language and political unity, just think of what they will do later. Nothing will be impossible for them! Come, let's go down and give them different languages. Then they won't be able to understand each other." In that way, the Lord scattered them all over the earth; and that ended the building of the city. That is why the city was called Babel, because it was there that the Lord confused the people by giving them many languages, thus scattering them across the earth" (Genesis 11:1-9, NLT).

In this story, God scatters the human race and confuses the people with different languages. His reason for doing so is to avoid the inevitable disaster wrought by global government and a common language. Why are these things a concern? Because if they continue unabated, in due time, "nothing will be impossible" for the human race. This is more than a flippant comment by God. It's a prophecy of things to come.

It's a prophecy of something so bad, God put a stop to it the moment He first saw it. God knew that, left to pursue its technological development, the human race would one day challenge Him. After all, what was the motive for building the Tower of Babel in the first place?

"Let's build a great city with a tower that reaches to the skies "a monument to our greatness!" (Genesis 11:4, NLT).

The human race set out to build a monument to its own greatness, exalting mankind above God and extending its tower far into Heaven with the sole intent of usurping God's glory and authority. This innate human desire did not end with the Tower of Babel. It continues to this day, and soon it will result in one final attempt to usurp the authority of God.

The motive for this great rebellion will be predicated on lies. The Bible predicts that deception will be rampant in the end times. And just as God hardened the heart of Pharaoh for putting faith in his own power, He will do the same to the inhabitants of the earth who will become drunk with their own power:

"So God will send great deception upon them, and they will believe all these lies" (2 Thessalonians 2:11, NLT).

Paul makes it clear that these people will be deluded into believing "the lies." But what exactly are the "lies" to which he refers? A cursory examination of the first book of the Bible reveals a quote from the originator of lies. In fact, it's the very first lie referenced in the Bible:

"You won't die!" the serpent hissed. God knows that your eyes will be opened when you eat it. You will become just like God, knowing everything, both good and evil!" (Genesis 3:4-5, NLT).

These lies from the Garden of Eden are the same lies to which Paul refers. The same lies that brought sin into the world will be the same lies that spark the ultimate rebellion against God Almighty. Humanity will come full circle. In the last days, the same construction projects envisioned by the Tower of Babel architects will result in mankind achieving a level of technological sophistication so advanced that "nothing will be impossible for them." The human race will come to believe the great lies of the serpent.

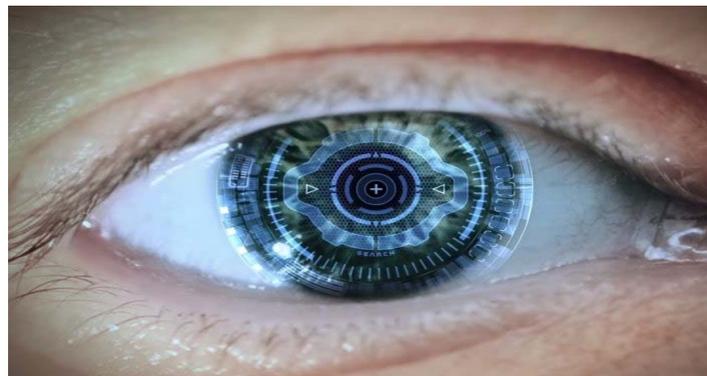
In his arrogance, man will believe he is: 1) Immortal 2) All-knowing 3) Just like God.

Hope you enjoy this edition.

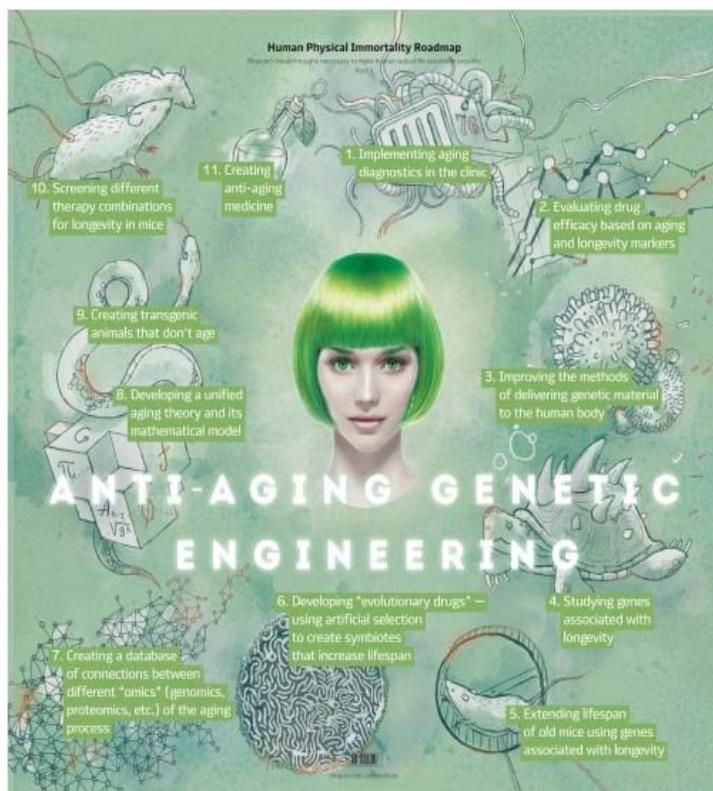
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The science of Transhumanism has entered into the mainstream through Hollywood movies like Transcendence, Divergent, Avatar, Captain America, Interstellar, and countless other films. Ray Kurzweil of Google, whom many call the father of the modern Transhumanist movement, has introduced the concept that death, disease, and aging can be overcome through new scientific breakthroughs. Transhumanism is the new religion of The Singularity, which offers Man a technological resurrection from death and entrance into an artificial heaven called the World Brain or the Hive Mind.

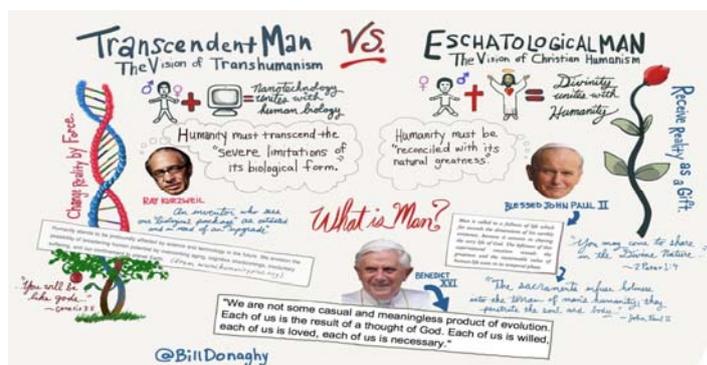


research. Who would not want the governments of the world to stop spending money on bloated bureaucracies and wars and start funding anti-aging technologies?



Anti-aging sciences and technologies which would include nutrition, exercise, vitamins, herbs, hormonal therapies, meditation, brain wave research, genetics, DNA, drugs, computers, computer-brain interfaces, uploading human consciousness from a dying body into a new cloned body, and interspecies breeding of animal/human and some believe Nephilim DNA in order to create super human beings is just the tip of the Transhumanist revolution. A great deal of this research is good and there is no reason that any of us should age, get sick, and die prematurely. But in addition to the moral and ethical problems of some areas of research, the idea that an artificial immortality can be achieved through Transhumanist science and technology enters into a theological domain that the proponents of Transhumanism do not fully understand.

Transhumanism, which does offer on varying levels real potential benefits to Mankind, in the end becomes a technological alternative to Jesus Christ's offer to Mankind of a real resurrection from death and true eternal life. The question is, can Transhumanism truly offer a viable resurrection from death and real eternal life, and not just a virtual one?



New generations of men and women do not want their bodies and minds to grow old like their parents and grandparents and are looking to the science of Transhumanism to grant them a Transhumanist immortality. Growing numbers of people around the world are demanding that their governments start massive funding for anti-aging

Ideally, when we deal with science we should be dealing with empirical evidence and scientific fact. The question has to be asked, "Why is it that men and women age get sick and die?" On one level it could be said that the problem exists in their DNA coding and with things like nutrition.

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A recent Transhumanism conference featured both new and seasoned experts. The conference was sponsored by the nonprofit organization *Brighter Brains Institute*, which held the first major US transhumanism conference of the year, located in San Jose, California, entitled Transhuman Strategies.



Again, although many of the goals of Transhumanism may be admirable, Transhumanism is looked upon as the way Man can achieve immortality and a kind of resurrection from death through science and technology. The problem with this approach is that Transhumanism denies fundamental scientific realities, including the primary reason why men and women age, get sick, and die. Although there are powerful genetic, nutritional, and other factors which cause death, disease, and dying, the primary reason is spiritual. If we view the Bible not as a manmade myth, parable, or fairy tale, but as an accurate scientific, holographic, genetic, multi-dimensional, biological, and historical record, we discover that the Bible gives us the real scientific reason for disease, aging, and death.

First, our genetic ancestors were a man and a woman named Adam and Eve who were created by the Infinite, Personal, Living God of the Universe, with the DNA of God.



They were created as immortal beings who had perfect biological bodies and lived in a perfect environment, which was the Garden of Eden... Paradise. Adam and Eve functioned at a far higher level of consciousness and biology than

contemporary Man. First, they possessed a vast spectrum of powers that modern Man has lost, powers from another dimension in order to rule over and control their environment called Earth. On a personal level they had the power to communicate with one another and with God on a telepathic level and they lived in an environment with a vastly larger color, sound, and even taste spectrum. They had no psychological problems, and all of their relationships were in perfect harmony.

The source of their existence was a multi-dimensional and supernatural life force, which flowed from the Word of God. It must be remembered that the Word of God was not just verbal expression, sound, and syntax; the Word of God was God Himself. That is why it says in Genesis "And God said let there be light and light was." In addition, the Word of God was part of the Triune nature of God. Jesus Christ was the "Word become flesh."



The reality of a multi-dimensional Infinite Personal Living God of the Universe who exists outside the dimensions of time and space and who chose to create Mankind and all of creation as an expression of His divine love is so far beyond the "flatland" thinking of modern Man that Man in his ignorance attempts to censor this reality, twisting this cosmic truth to label it a myth, fable, or fairy tale.

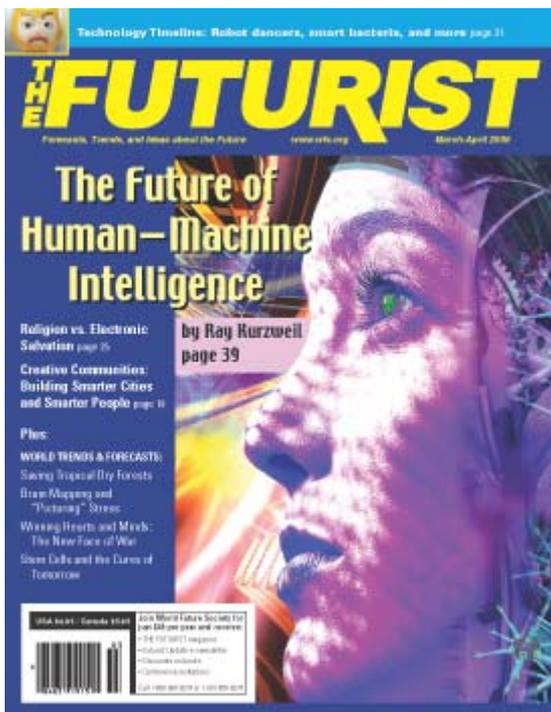
However, the reality is that the enormity, wonder, transcendence, complexity, and multi-dimensional nature of reality that this truth implies is so threatening to fallen Man that Man attempts to smash it into pieces as a little child would break a toy in a temper tantrum.

William Joy, co-founder of Sun Microsystems, famously countered Kurzweil's predictions in his article "*Why The Future Doesn't Need Us.*" He opens his article discussing his meeting with Kurzweil:

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“Neither should we pursue near immortality without considering the costs... A technological approach to Eternity – near immortality through robotics – may not be the most desirable utopia, and its pursuit brings clear dangers. Maybe we should rethink our utopian choices.”

Ray Kurzweil, in his article *“Reinventing Humanity: The Future of Machine-Human Intelligence”* for Futurist Magazine, explains what is called The Singularity, predicting that within the next several decades artificial intelligence will exceed human intelligence, a scenario depicted in the movie *Transcendence*, starring Johnny Depp.



Transhumanists believe that technologies like genetic engineering, nanotechnology, and computer technology will transform human life and merge human brains and bodies with machines, creating super-beings enhanced with artificial intelligence. In this Transhumanist future men and women will be Cyborgs, part robot and part human, enabling them to overcome death and achieve artificial immortality.

What Transhumanism is really about is Man attempting to create through technology a holographic resurrection from death where men and women will be able to enter a synthetic heaven where people will live in a technocratic paradise, which will be a kind of multi-dimensional matrix. Transhumanists believe that men will become gods, which is the very temptation that Lucifer used with Adam and Eve

as he seduced them to reject God's Word in Eden.

When dying men and women upload their consciousness into computers they will merge their human consciousness with Super Artificial Intelligence surpassing that of ordinary human beings. This tipping point where computers will become more intelligent than people is called The Singularity. But the great danger in the Singularity is that there is a high probability that the computers and all technology utilizing Artificial Intelligence will rule over the human race and make human beings their slaves because they will be vastly more intelligent and powerful than Man. Transhumanists believe that the Singularity will happen around 2045 A.D.

In his article in Futurist Magazine Ray Kurzweil raises some juicy points to consider from the perspective of ethics and technology. He explains the Singularity, in his own words:

“We stand on the threshold of the most profound and transformative event in the history of humanity, ‘The Singularity.’ What is the Singularity? From my perspective, the Singularity is a future period during which the pace of technological change will be so fast and far-reaching that human existence on this planet will be irreversibly altered. We will combine our brain power—the knowledge, skills, and personality quirks that make us human—with our computer power in order to think, reason, communicate, and create in ways we can scarcely even contemplate today.”

Kurzweil and his fellow Transhumanists believe that technology will replace biology and in the process disease, aging, and death will be conquered. Human beings will transcend their humanity by becoming one with machines through nanotechnology and Artificial Intelligence. The new human beings will be more like Cyborgs than biological humans. In this “post-human future” men and women will experience an artificial resurrection by uploading their consciousness to computers and will live forever as “stored information.”

However, there are several problems with this “post-human future.” First, there is a very real technocratic elite who are already ruling the world and whose existence is concealed from the dumbed down masses who are being brainwashed by scientific mind control.

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This technocratic elite has no intention of allowing the masses to share with them the alleged joys of their artificial Paradise. As Aldous Huxley wrote in his novel *Brave New World*, the masses are already being genetically bred and programmed through scientific mind control to serve as a slave race for the elite. This is the purpose of GMO foods, which neurologically rewire human consciousness by making the masses fat and stupid, and shorten their lifespans. Even as you read this article billions of people are being subtly killed off through wars, food shortages, vaccinations, drugs, and GMO foods.

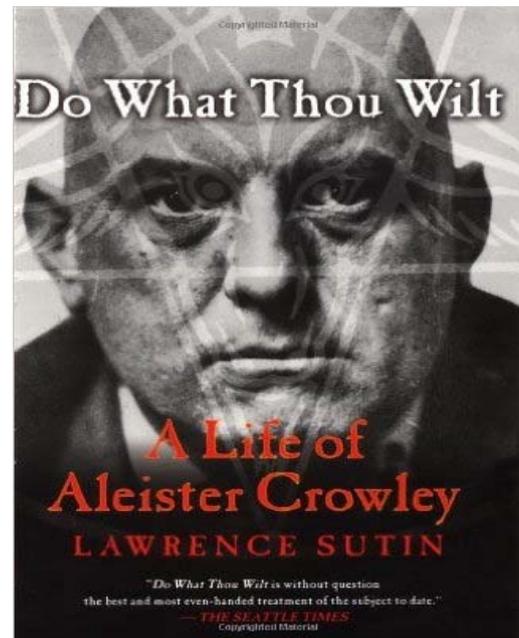
Secondly, the entire Transhumanist revolution is built on the premise that Mankind has randomly evolved over billions of years through the evolutionary process and that there is no Creator, no right or wrong, only pure Darwinian “might makes right” and “survival of the fittest.” In this worldview, the elite believe they are free to do absolutely anything they choose because all forms of moral beliefs are completely illusory. Therefore they have the perfect right to treat men and women in any way they choose because they have the power to do so.

So behind the MK Ultra-mind control global American matrix they are “culling the herd” and killing off millions of “useless eaters” through war, engineered plagues, weapons which cause earthquakes, tsunamis, freak weather which destroys the food supply, and drugs and GMO foods which shorten the lifespan of millions of people in places like America and Europe through the promotion of artificially induced diseases like diabetes, cancer, heart failure, Alzheimer’s, etc.

The great masses of middle class Americans and Europeans as well as citizens of other nations have been scientifically dumbed down through educational programs like Common Core and mass media psychological “depatterning,” which was developed by Dr. Cameron, a scientific mind control pioneer who literally erased people’s memories and ability to think coherently through drugs, hypnosis, electroshock therapy, and pain. Drugs and systematic shocks to the central nervous system of the global collective mass mind with regular exposure to mass media

narratives of terroristic attack, jet pilots driving jets into mountains, serial killers, mass murderers, rapes, accounts of abducted sex slaves, etc. are all part of the MK Ultra formula for mind control based on pain, drugs, and hypnosis.

The philosophical premise of the technocratic elite and the conditioned masses is that there is no Personal Living God of the Universe and no moral absolutes. If that premise is correct, then the Technocratic Elite are free to do whatever they choose, which is another way of stating the Luciferian doctrine espoused by the great Satanist Aleister Crowley when he said “*Do what thou wilt.*” Concepts such as right and wrong along with morality become completely non-existent and the Technocratic Elite along with the vanguard of Transhumanists are free to re-invent Man and the very nature of reality on any terms they choose because if their worldview is correct and Man is God, then Man is free to do whatever he chooses.



However, if Mankind and all of reality have been created by a Personal Living God of the Universe who has chosen to reveal Himself both through the Bible and all of creation, then the laws of God apply to Man whether Man likes it or not. Mankind may choose to rebel from God and His laws and follow Lucifer in his rebellion against God, but when the day is done every man and woman who ever lived including Lucifer and the fallen angels are accountable to God and will, according to God’s Word, stand before God at

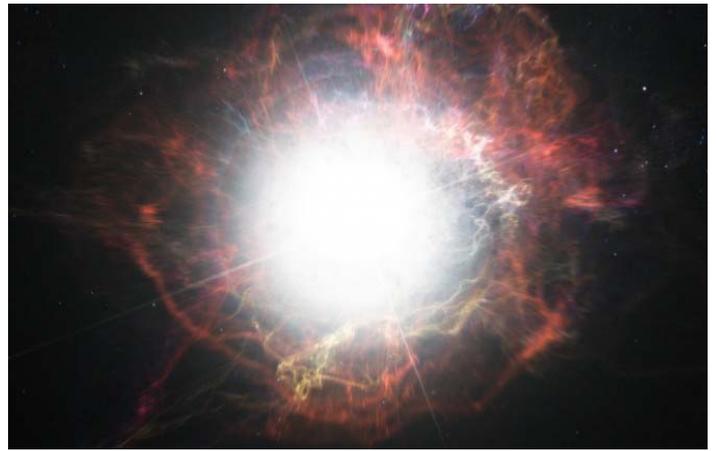
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the Great White Throne of Judgment and give a full account for what they have done on Earth and in the heavens. If the Biblical worldview is the truly scientific worldview, than it does not matter whether or not men and women believe in God or His laws, or that they may dislike His laws. Apart from what they believe exists, in the higher reality they will face Him not only as King of Kings and Lord of Lords, but also as the Supreme Judge of the Universe. Although they may choose to deny it, the law of God is written upon the heart of every person who ever lived and every man or woman will be judged according to the law of God at the resurrection of the dead, which is not a virtual resurrection but an actual one.

When every man or woman who has chosen to reject the unmerited favor and forgiveness of God offered by Jesus Christ who was slain on a cross to take away each of our sins as the Lamb of God, they will give a full account of every action and thought they have committed, and, according to the law of God, they will receive the full penalty for their rebellion against the truth and that penalty is being sentenced eternally to a cosmic prison the Bible calls Hell.

For those who ask the age-old philosophical question "How can a loving God send someone to Hell?" The answer is found by simply turning the question around. It is not God who is sending them to Hell; they are choosing to send themselves to Hell by refusing to accept the only viable antidote to the law of sin and death, which is the power of salvation in Jesus Christ.

What the Transhumanists and the Technocratic Elite do not understand is that the universe is not simply materialistic. Although modern physics gives lip service to a universe composed of 11-23 dimensions, it does not actually integrate multi-dimensional reality with the nature of existence. For example, the life force which causes each human being to live and the death force which causes aging, disease, and death are more than energy, genetics, and biological machines. Man is more than a biological machine; every man or woman has a soul, not just an energy force, but an actual soul. The reason modern science has difficulty accepting this is simply because it has not yet developed the technology or the equation



to quantify it. That does not mean the soul does not exist; it means that science has not invented the technology to measure the existence of a soul, which has an origination point beyond time and space.

The defining moment in all of human history was the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead over 2,000 years ago. Jesus Christ was murdered upon a cross and His body physically died in front of numerous witnesses.

After the body of Jesus Christ was placed inside of a tomb and guarded by the highly trained and elite Roman soldiers, Jesus Christ resurrected from the dead and His body was no longer in the tomb. Jesus Christ had a new body and appeared to His disciples and communicated with them.

This was not a virtual or technological resurrection but a true resurrection of a dead physical body, which became the new resurrected body of Jesus Christ. The event was predicted in detail thousands of years before it happened, by the Old Testament prophets.

The science and theology concerning the resurrection could be debated endlessly. But the final reality is that Jesus Christ did resurrect from the dead in real-space-time-history. Many have attempted to say that the resurrection is a fable, conspiracy, myth, or allegory. But the actual historical account disproves all of this. The fact of the matter is that Jesus Christ did resurrect from the dead and all of human history including Transhumanism is turned upside down by this one single event.

AN OPEN LETTER WARNING

A few months ago Charisma Magazine published the extract of a letter which Tom Horn sent to a number of pastors and Christian leaders. Tom Horn is probably one of the most popular Christian researchers in the area of transhumanism and bible prophecy.

OPEN LETTER TO CHRISTIAN PASTORS AND SENIOR LEADERS



"Some see it as a way to fulfill or even transcend our potential; others see it as a darker path towards becoming Frankenstein's monster." –Dr. Patrick Lin, "Ethics of Human Enhancement"

In 2011, Nita and I released a book called *Forbidden Gates*, which outlined the future of humanity in light of a dangerous collection of scientific disciplines we call GRIN technology.

The acronym refers to Genetics, Robotics, Artificial Intelligence and Nanotechnology, a quartet of scientific imperatives that seek to reshape what it is to be human. Yet even though the book was a best-seller, most Christians I meet are still unaware of the shifting genetic sands beneath our collective feet. But ignorance is no excuse. Every believer should know what their children and grandchildren are about to face, and we have a duty to stand against it.

In his letter to the church at Ephesus, Paul explains the church's responsibility as the agent of God's wisdom, concluding this was by divine intention.

"His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms" (Eph. 3:10). Making known the "righteous" and manifold wisdom of God must include human-affirming virtues of Christian morality that are intrinsic to His divine order and the Great Commission.

Christian leaders must be actively engaged in ideological warfare for the mind of a generation especially in an age where people are seeking reasons to believe, despite everything they are being told, that the church remains relevant.

To fail this responsibility would be to abdicate to a frightening transhuman vision of the future such as was predicted by theologian and Christian apologist C. S. Lewis in *The Abolition of Man*. Lewis foresaw the day when transhumanist and scientific reasoning would win out, permanently undoing mankind through altering the species, ultimately reducing Homo sapiens to utilitarian products. Here is part of what he said:

"The last men, far from being the heirs of power, will be of all men most subject to the dead hand of the great planners and conditioners and will themselves exercise least power upon the future. ... The final stage [will have] come when Man by eugenics, by pre-natal conditioning, and by an education and propaganda based on a perfect applied psychology ... shall have 'taken the thread of life out of the hand of Clotho' [one of the Three Fates] and be henceforth free to make our species whatever we wish it to be. The battle will indeed be won. But who, precisely, will have won it?"

Lewis foresaw the progressive abandonment of what we would call "moral law" based on Judeo-Christian values. His reference to the "great planners and conditioners" corresponds perfectly with today's transhumanists who have proposed a blueprint for the future of the human species in a 50-page U.S. National Science Foundation report titled "*Ethics of Human Enhancement: 25 Questions & Answers*." Some of the topics covered include:

- Policy implications of human enhancement.
- Moral and legal significance of 'natural' vs 'enhanced' persons.
- Social and communication issues caused by enhancement disparities.
- Is enhancement a right, a requirement?
- Military aspects of 'enhancement'.
- Copyright and patent issues regarding ownership of enhanced DNA and persons.

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On July 8, 2015, Congressman Bill Foster updated the public on the disturbing possibility of enhancement technology in a feature article for thehill.com titled "*Last scientist in Congress has human genetic engineering warning.*" An excerpt from the article by Foster reads:

"As the last scientist with a Ph.D. remaining in Congress, I feel a responsibility to transmit those concerns to my colleagues and to the public. The breakthrough in question relates to human genetic engineering. This has long been a theoretical possibility assumed to be decades away from practicality. In the last several years this has changed significantly due to recent breakthroughs that allow inexpensive and precise editing of chromosomal DNA. Yet what really makes this revolutionary is if genetic modifications are made to "germline" cells—sperm, eggs and embryos—these modifications will also be carried forward to future generations. ... We are on the verge of a technological breakthrough that could change the future of humankind."

Clearly, the issues of GRIN technology are complex and terrifying, which is why SkyWatch TV has spent three years interviewing leading scientists and researchers to produce a new three-hour documentary titled *Inhuman*, but you can think of it as Transhumanism 101, covering these key issues.

Transhuman Eugenics

Advocates call transhumanism 'self-directed evolution', an exact repeat of a slogan used by early 20th-century eugenicists. This new eugenics combines biotechnology, nanotechnology, neural interfaces and related sciences to design a superior man and thus a new form of social Darwinism—the enhanced and the unenhanced.

Synthetic Biology

Synthetic biology is a cutting edge discipline that builds new forms of life and biological functions not found in nature. Rather than building on "natural" nucleic acids, synthetic biology imagines an entirely new form of DNA.

Human Cloning

So-called "therapeutic cloning" is practiced every day in genetics engineering labs worldwide, where human and human-animal embryos are created for stem-cell harvesting. (The stem cells, in turn, are used to generate virtually any type of specialized cell in the human body.) A second form of human cloning is called "reproductive cloning" and is the technology that could be used to create a person who is genetically identical with a current or previously existing human.

Nanotechnology and Cybernetics

This technology merges human brains with machines, and it is progressing at a fantastic rate. Nanotechnology—the science of engineering materials or devices on an atomic and molecular scale between 1 to 100 nanometers (a nanometer is one-billionth of a meter)—will provide the matrix for brain-machine interfaces.

Germ-Line Genetic Engineering

In 2015, the world became aware of a powerful new genome editing system called CRISPR-Cas9, which is used in biology labs around the world. CRISPR is a precise way of editing DNA and is already hailed as the engine of a new era of genetics including the possibility of permanently modifying the human race.

The Legal Battle and Patenting New Life-Forms

Even now, debate rages over the "patenting" of transgenic seeds, animals, plants and synthetic life-forms by large corporations. The rush to patent human genes will escalate these issues. Genomes will be altered, watermarked and uploaded—creating a nightmare database shared by governments, scientists, medical professionals, insurers and employers; while providing a pretty lure for hackers and blackmailers. Who is to say what legal protections will be assumed in an age where human biology is altered and personhood theory challenges what bioethicists like Wesley J. Smith (also featured in *INHUMAN*) champion as "human exceptionalism" (the idea that human beings carry special moral status in nature and special rights, such as the right to life, plus unique responsibilities, such as stewardship of the environment)?

This article is excerpted from Dr. Thomas R. Horn's open letter to pastors and Christian leaders

TRANSHUMANISM GOES POLITICS

The 2016 US election is proving to be in many ways, unforgettable. And it's not just because of the 24/7 news cycle dominated by gotcha moments, Donald Trump's insults and endless polling.

While we have a rare combination of candidates with a real chance of taking the White House — a woman and a real estate magnate — there's another person who was previously running that you probably hadn't heard about.

Zoltan Istvan, 43, the leader and founder of the Transhumanist party, had entered the race as a third-party candidate promising the "facilitation of immortality."



Istvan, who lives in California, first made headlines when he set out on a cross-country campaign tour in a bus shaped like a hearse last September. His main philosophy: enliven America's technological advancement by combining humans with machines, to improve and prolong life.

In U.S politics, the two traditional parties have consistently dominated the electorate. In fact, Sen. Bernie Sanders is the only Independent in Congress, every other House member belongs to either the Democratic or Republican Party. But historically the country has had a history of fringe candidates, which typically get a few thousand votes in presidential elections.

In 1992, billionaire businessman Ross Perot, who ran on the Reform Party, won 18.9% of the vote, the best finish by a non-major party candidate in a presidential election since Teddy Roosevelt won 27.5% of the vote in 1912. While Perot's Reform Party, like practically all third parties, has failed to emerge as a contender since then, candidates like him have had a significant impact on electoral outcomes.

Zoltan Istvan is still an ambiguity for most of the political world, and the Transhumanist party in its early stages of development, but there is something to be said about how his policies could predict the way the political landscape might change in the decades to come.

The word "transhuman" means beyond human. And the philosophy sounds like something that could only exist in Silicon Valley, near to where Zoltan and his family live. Indeed, Istvan claims that so far the Transhumanist Party comprises mainly "of scientists, engineers and people who love technology."

"Transhumanists believe in singularity," Istvan told Salon. "The singularity is the moment in time when artificial intelligence — presumably which we will create — will transcend the capability our human brains have to comprehend how fast technology is increasing."

Istvan said that while there is no formal membership process, "based on social media, event turnouts, and donations — we now have about 25,000 supporters in the U.S."

The presidential candidate also has 21,000 Twitter followers. (On a global scale there are recorded 25 Transhumanist Parties in five different continents, each with its own set of rules.)

At 21, Istvan set out to travel the world in a sailboat, becoming a freelance documentarian for National Geographic. (One of his more popular videos is "volcano surfing" on Mt. Yasur on the island of Tanna in Vanuatu). He says that his contacts in the journalism world are one of the reasons his campaign has been so successful, *"It's impossible for an independent candidate to rise up and make a splash unless he's a billionaire or he's on the Democratic or Republican ticket,"* Istvan said.

Zoltan, a writer, philosopher and futurist, has spent the majority of his life working abroad. However since returning to the states, he has settled down with his physician wife and two daughters in picturesque Mill Valley and believes

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his calling is to transform American politics into the way of the future.



At first most of his policies sound ludicrous — something even Doc Brown might not have imagined — but when examined closer it is easier to see how they could become popular with the mainstream. Who wouldn't want to be entirely dependent on renewable energy, or direct national expenditure to fighting cancer and diabetes rather than conflicts in far-off lands?

"The whole goal of my campaign is really to get the rest of America interested in science and technology," Istvan said. "After my national bus tour, I found a huge amount of people in America are just not interested in using technology to overcome lots of hardships we suffer. I think they would be willing, but they have to be taught."

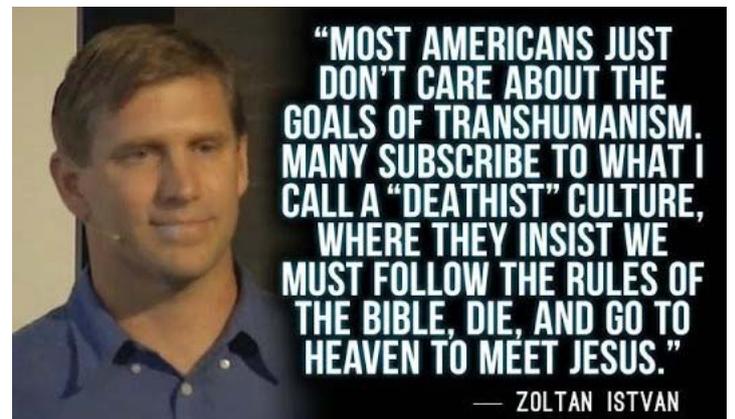
To strengthen his position and spread the importance of Transhumanism, Istvan embarked on a five-month bus journey across the United States, eventually ending in Washington where he delivered the Transhuman Bill of Rights to Congress. Some of the laws included in the Bill: universal rights for human beings, sentient artificial intelligences, cyborgs, and other advanced sapient life forms. He states

"You read the United Nations Declaration of Rights, which most democracies base their bill of rights on, [and] here we are 65 years later, there's nothing in it that talks about cyborgism. There's nothing in it about whether you can torture an artificial intelligence or a robot. There's nothing in it about whether you could marry robots. I can tell you transhumanists and cyborgs, people that want to try these things will fight for them,"

So perhaps Istvan's policies are a little eccentric, and maybe right now society would't accept cyborgs as friends, but isn't there something to

be said about his action to update the country's laws to reflect the current times? As a society we have adopted smartphones as loyal partners, accepted machines to replace manual labor, cloned organs and paved the way for designer babies. So, all things considered, heightening technology to further improve human lives seems a logical next step. The speed at which technology has developed in the last decade alone, leads us to only imagine where civilization will stand in the realms of technology in another decade.

However it is clear that Zoltan's views on the Biblical world view model is one which signals the danger that transhumanism poses once it begins to make a strong inroad into the mainstream political arena.



The Bible makes strong warnings about the rise of transhumanism and its humanistic ideals.

Approximately 3,000 years ago, King David wrote about the hearts of men just prior to the Glorious Appearing of Jesus Christ, as men prepared to "free themselves from God's slavery":

"Why do the nations rage? Why do the people waste their time with futile plans? The kings of the earth prepare for battle; the rulers plot together against the Lord and against His Anointed One. 'Let us break their chains,' they cry. 'And free ourselves from this slavery.' But the one who rules in heaven laughs. The Lord scoffs at them." Psalm 2:1-4 (NLT)

The viewpoint of end time humanity is one of animosity toward God. Humanity will view its limitations as arbitrary obstacles erected by God. As a result, humanity will prepare for battle against the Lord in an effort to break the shackles of its perceived oppressor.

REBELLION: THE MOTIVE

"Humanity stands to be profoundly affected by science and technology in the future. We envision the possibility of broadening human potential by overcoming aging, cognitive shortcomings, involuntary suffering, and our confinement to planet Earth." The Transhumanist Declaration (Humanity+)

When asked by His disciples to describe the time of the end and the day of His Coming, Jesus stated:

"In fact, unless that time of calamity is shortened, not a single person will survive. But it will be shortened for the sake of God's chosen ones." Matthew 24:22 (NLT)

In this translation, the phrase "not a single person will survive" is deceptive. Why? Because it's the result of the translator's assumption that the phrases "no flesh will survive" and "no people will survive" are interchangeable.

Assuming the possibility exists for a transhumanist future, the two phrases are not.

According to Strong's Concordance, the key Greek word in this phrase is translated "sarx," and means:

"flesh (as stripped of the skin), i.e. (strictly) the meat of an animal (as food), or (by extens.) the body (as opposed to the soul [or spirit], or as the symbol of what is external, or as the means of kindred), or (by impl.) human nature (with its frailties [phys. or mor.] and passions), or (spec.) a human being (as such)"

Taken in its original context, Jesus did not necessarily say that unless those days are shortened, "*humanity will not survive.*" Instead, he said unless those days are shortened, "*no flesh will survive.*"

If the transhumanist movement succeeds in transforming the human race into a race of "posthumans" who no longer need flesh covered bones to survive, then these words of Jesus take on an entirely different meaning.

And it doesn't take an illogical leap of faith to draw this conclusion. After all, it seems reasonable to assume that humanity will have to undergo some sort of radical transformation in order to plot a war against God Almighty. The arrogant impulse already exists. All that remains is the need for an exponential increase in human

power which deludes humanity into believing it can overcome the Lord of lords. And make no mistake about it, the Bible is clear that this is where humanity is ultimately headed - physical conflict with God:

"Then I saw the beast gathering the kings of the earth and their armies in order to fight against the one sitting on the horse and his army." Revelation 19:19 (NLT)

Do not confuse the "war" with a spiritual struggle. According to Strong's Concordance, the key word here is translated "polemos," and means:

"warfare (lit. or fig.; a single encounter or a series) - battle, fight, war."

The word "polemos" appears at least 16 times in the New Testament, and in each case, it refers to physical conflict, not a spiritual one as Paul refers to here:

"For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places." Ephesians 6:12 (NLT)

When Paul speaks of the spiritual struggle, he uses the word "pale." According to Strong's Concordance, "pale" means "*wrestling*". Clearly, the Bible differentiates between our everyday spiritual struggle with the forces of darkness and literal physical conflict in the form of war.

Regarding the Antichrist, the gathering at Armageddon, and the Glorious Appearing of Jesus Christ, it's clearly prophesied that man will engage in physical battle with God Almighty:

"From one of the prominent horns came a small horn whose power grew very great. It extended toward the south and east and toward the glorious land of Israel. His power reached to the heavens where it attacked the heavenly armies, throwing some of the heavenly beings and stars to the ground and trampling them. He even challenged the Commander of heaven's armies by canceling the daily sacrifices offered to him and by destroying his Temple." Daniel 8:9-11 (NLT)

The power of the Antichrist will be immense enough to attack the heavenly armies, throwing angels to the ground and trampling them in the process. He will even attack the Commander of heaven's armies, Jesus Christ. But the attack is futile. Jesus will destroy the Antichrist and all those aligned against God.