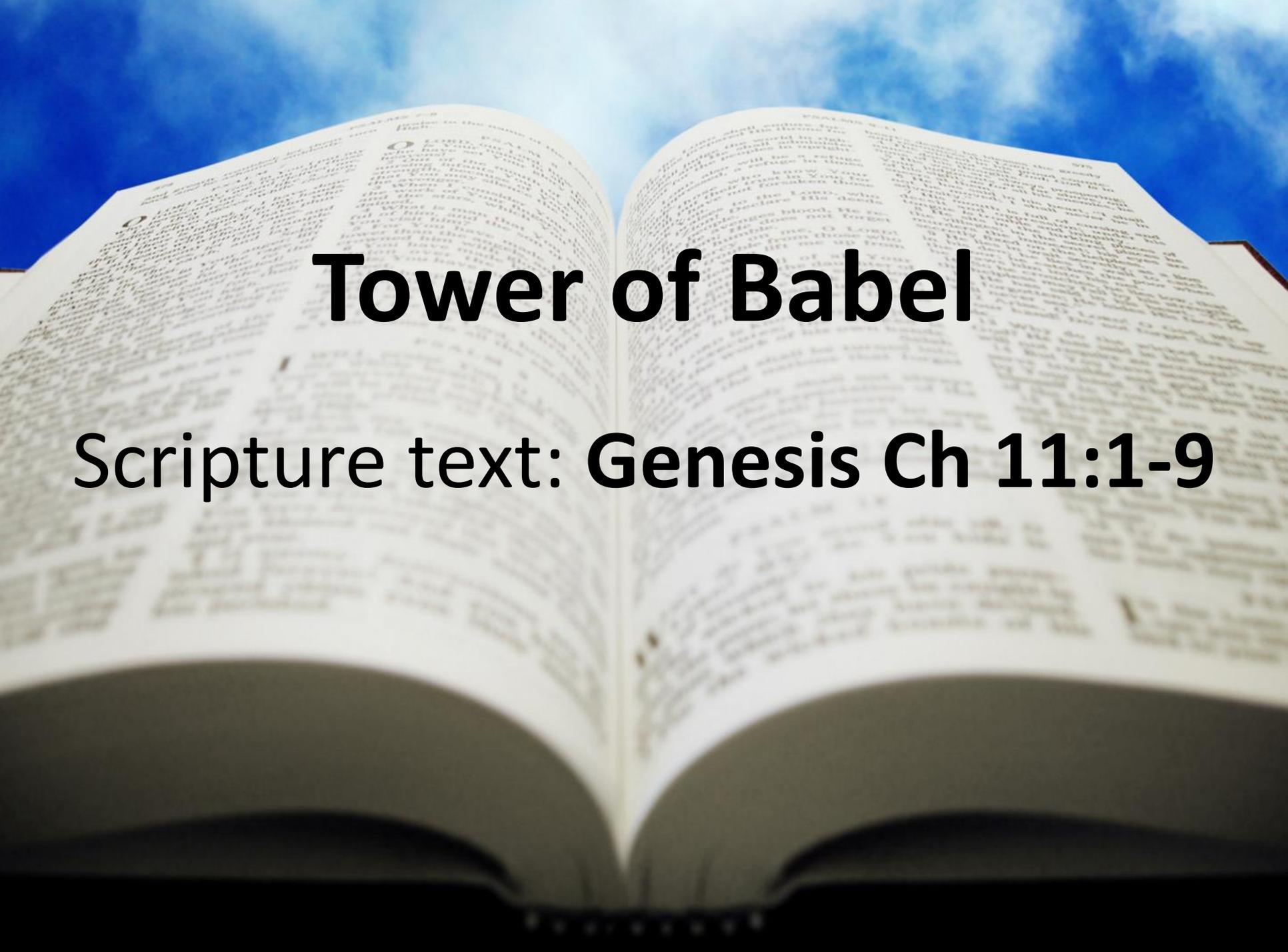


Welcome to Promise Land Bible Church
We're glad you're here!



An open Bible is shown from a low angle, looking up at the pages. The pages are filled with text, but it is out of focus. The background is a bright blue sky with some light clouds. The text is overlaid in a large, bold, black font.

Tower of Babel

Scripture text: **Genesis Ch 11:1-9**

Genesis 11:1-4 Now the whole earth had **one language** and the same words. And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, "Come, **let us** make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, "Come, **let us build ourselves a city** and a tower with its top in the heavens, and **let us make a name** for ourselves, **lest we be dispersed** over the face of the whole earth."

Their greatest sin was “PRIDE”

Action - They built a city ...

Purpose – In order not to be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.

Desire – Security

Action - They built a tower with it's top in the heavens ...

Purpose – In order to make a name for themselves.

Desire - Praise

Genesis 11:5-8 And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. And the LORD said, "**Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them.** Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city.

"Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them.

Please Note: that this is all against God! As if they don't need Him!

How evil or depraved can man become, when they do not have a reverent fear of Almighty God? Or if they don't believe there is a God?

What would that look like today?

Behold some of the latest headlines:

World Leaders, Scientists, Professors And Philosophers Gather At World Government Conference And Declare 'The Next Step Of Evolution Is Here, Man Will Merge With Artificial Intelligence So He Can Live Forever And Become God' *By [Andrew Bieszad](#) on February 15, 2018*



Genesis 11:4 Then they said, "**Come, let us** build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and **let us** make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth."

The incident at the Tower of Babel is where men came together to try to build a tower to Heaven to reach the heights of God as when Adam ate the fruit in Eden, for both incidents are man's attempts **to make himself like God** in pursuit of his attempt to become God that **will always end in his own destruction.**

It is the struggle of all men against these inevitable inclinations that has defined the existence of man and his relationship to his fellow man **as well as his struggle for truth**, for if the end of man is not in power and attempting to become a god among men, then the path to God must be elsewhere and man **must seek it if he is to realize his true end.**

What was the world like in the time of Noah and up to the Deluge? The Bible says that the world was covered in sin and the sins were so great that God Himself destroyed the world by a flood. One can only imagine the details, but based on the fact that God destroyed the entire world, one can only surmise that it had to involve something to do with the four sins the Old Testament says “cry out to Heaven for vengeance,” and they are the willful murder of the innocent (which also includes abortion and infanticide),

homosexuality (through the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah), the oppression of the widow and orphan, and the deprivation of the working man of his justly earned wages. **It also likely had to involve something to do with attempting to become God**, for this was the original sin which plunged the human race into her state of misery.

Genesis 3:4-5 But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, **and you will be like God**, knowing good and evil."

The sin of Eden was not eating an apple, and the sin of Babel was not building a tower, **but it was the pursuit of the divinity** of the self that defined the intentions behind both actions which brought about the justice of God, and both are microcosms of the human race.

The closest equivalent that exists in modern times to the pursuit of divinity, although one not explicitly stated or even believed by many, is the darwinian idea of evolution, that human beings are mere animals who were created by a cosmic accident and that by “mutations” and contests of strength against other organisms became the dominant life form on earth.

Darwinian philosophy allows for a man to say that, if man “evolved” from animals, that it is not conditional, but possible to say that some men are more “evolved” than others. I emphasize possible, because it does not need to be an absolute belief, but enough to allow for the possibility of such a belief that is dangerous. If some men are indeed more “evolved” than others, and if such differences could be either proven or shown to be “theoretically possible,” then one can argue that some men are more “evolved” than other men and that man is continuing to evolve even through our current times.

If this is accepted, then one must accept there are “superior” and “inferior” humans based on their biological composition, which then translates into first seeking how to know which humans are “superior” and which ones are “inferior”, and then basing relations with people in public and private on their “humanity” or lack thereof.

Can you see the problem with this?

It is not distant at such a point from then accepting the idea that in order to “better” the human race, the “inferior people” must be separated, isolated, or even exterminated to prevent them from contaminating the “superior people” and thus tarrying the evolutionary process.

What if this even dealt with ideology, faith, compassion, empathy, etc.?

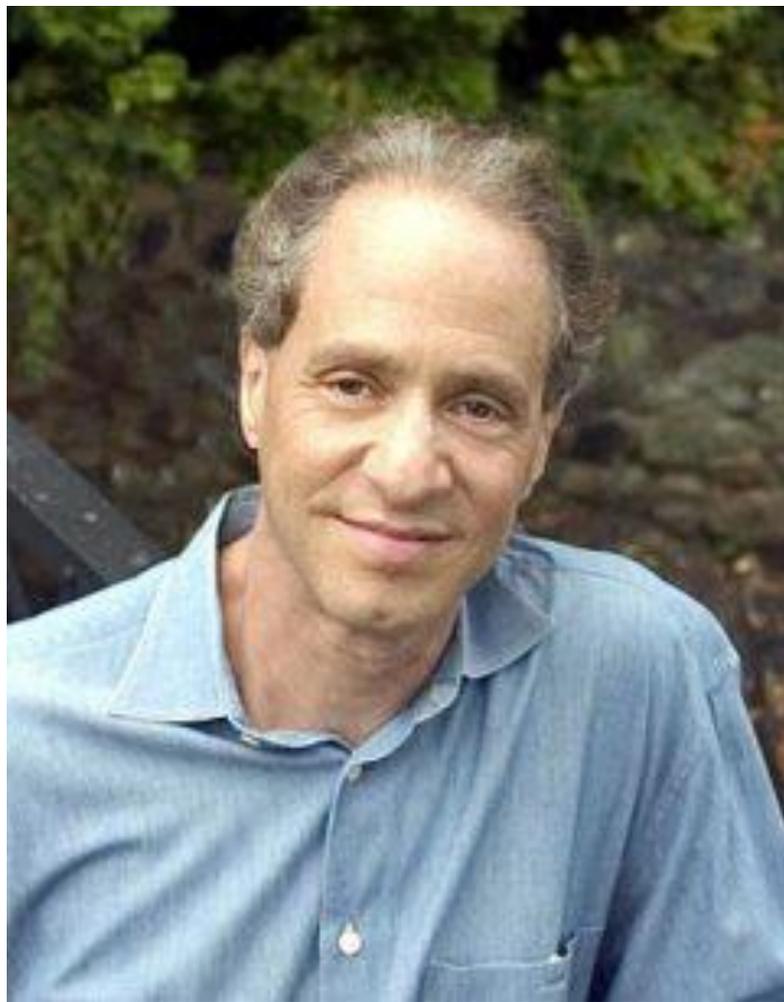
In the darwinian sense, killing those who are found to be weak, lame, or inferior **based on whatever chosen characteristic** is commendable for the human race as a whole and a mercy to the “inferior” person because it is getting rid of a man who would hinder the species and as he was not created “superior” or “normal” to begin with, he should not have to live a life that is of a lower quality than those of his fellow “evolved” humans.

But where does Darwinian philosophy end? Metaphysically speaking, it postulates that man's evolution from the cosmic slime continues eternally and is inhibited only by his evolutionary capacities at any particular moment in time and is limited by death. Therefore, a man must seek to maximize his life to the point of delaying and eventually stopping death. At such a point, they would say, man becomes what he has idolized in his stories and tales of the past, which is the man who becomes immortal.

Such men they will say are “gods” for this reason, and as such man then becomes a god. Thus, the final stage of human “evolution” is to assume the supreme form of man as a deity.

Yet the irony of darwinian philosophy is that to claim that man is or could become a god is precisely the warning of Sacred Scripture as to why the fall of man came.

Thus darwinianism must deny the Bible and most religion at that, calling it “superstition” or shadows attempting to explain man’s lack of understanding while at the same time it espouses a refined form of paganism. The difference between a man in a loincloth casting spells in the jungle to seek divinity and the man in a suit with quaffed hair and glasses working with technical machinery for downloading his brain into a computer is no different except in their cultural surroundings that reflect the same philosophy with the same end.



Ray Kurzweil, a transhumanist who believes that men can become divine by merging with robots

The transhumanist philosopher and futurist Ray Kurzweil has said that the 21st century will be defined by “singularity,” which is when machine “intelligence” surpasses human intelligence and at which point in order to keep up with “evolution,” man will have to unite his natural mind with the electronic mind of computer by connecting the two through supertechnology. Kurzweil says that such changes are exponential now and as such inevitable because man’s technology is evolving with his biology, claiming there is a direct relationship between the two and that as the two merge,

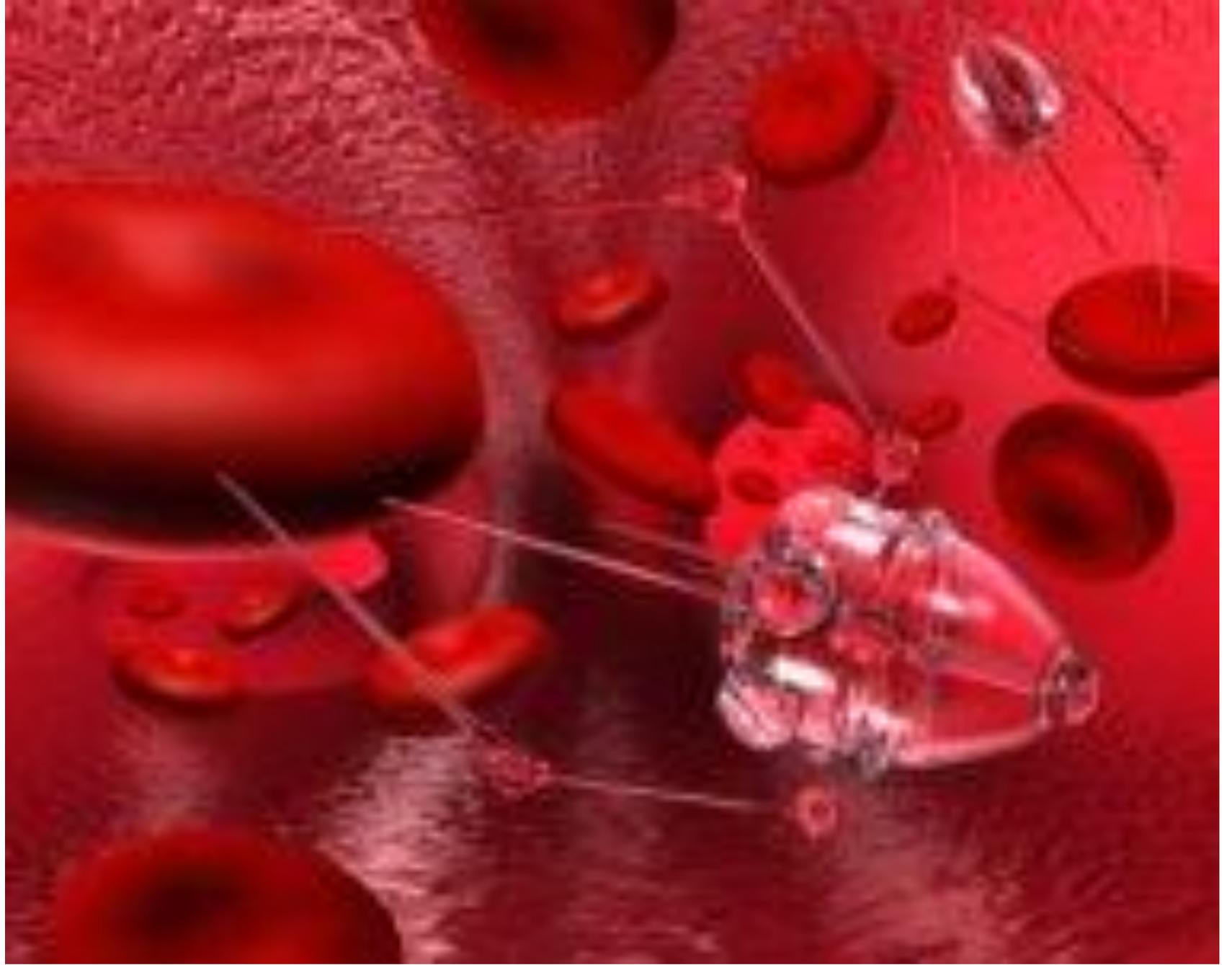
eventually man's capacities will be eclipsed by and absorbed into machines so much that men become more like machines than humans. This he calls "third revolution," which through the application of artificial intelligence men will be able to extend their lives, eliminate disease, discover unlimited learning potential, and in time, be able to overcome death itself:

Who was it, that has already overcame death?

The robotics revolution, which really refers to “strong” AI, that is, artificial intelligence at the human level, which we talked about earlier. We’ll have both the hardware and software to recreate human intelligence by the end of the 2020s. We’ll be able to improve these methods and harness the speed, memory capabilities, and knowledge-sharing ability of machines.

We'll ultimately be able to scan all the salient details of our brains from inside, using billions of nanobots in the capillaries. We can then back up the information. Using nanotechnology-based manufacturing, we could recreate your brain, or better yet reconstitute it in a more capable computing substrate.

Nanobots – a miniature robotic machine



Our biological brains use chemical signaling, which transmit information at only a few hundred feet per second. Electronics is already millions of times faster than this. In the book, I show how one cubic inch of nanotube circuitry would be about one hundred million times more powerful than the human brain. So we'll have more powerful means of instantiating our intelligence than the extremely slow speeds of our interneuronal connections. So we'll just replace our biological brains with circuitry?

Matthew 24:21-22 For then **there will be great tribulation**, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and **never will be**. And if those days had not been cut short, **no human being would be saved**. But for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short.

With the coming tribulation I must wonder if this was what the Lord Jesus was referring to.

Could you live forever? Humans will achieve IMMORTALITY using AI and genetic engineering by 2050, expert claims

Dr Ian Pearson claims people born after 1970 should be able to live forever

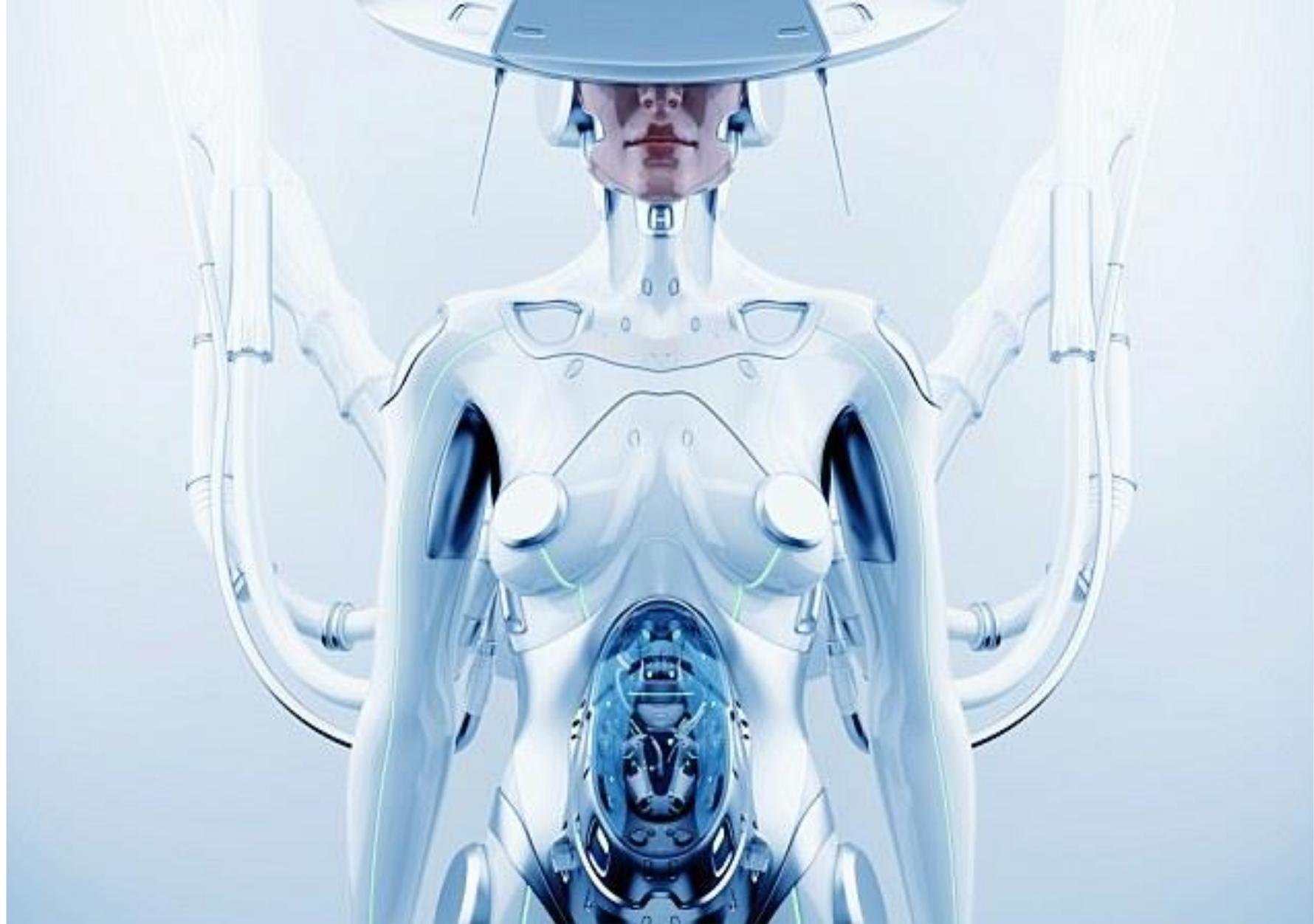
Genetic engineering could be used to reduce or reverse the ageing of cells

AI could lead to android bodies for humans to live in after their body's fail

Virtual reality worlds could be created for people to upload their minds to

By [Joe Pinkstone For Mailonline](#)

Old age could soon be old news, according to a leading futurologist who claims people born after 1970 could live forever. He predicts that by the year 2050, humans could outlive the constraints of the physical body. Genetic engineering could be used to extend the body's life expectancy, by reducing or reversing the ageing of cells. Advances in AI could lead to android bodies for humans to live in after their own flesh and blood frames have ceased to function. And virtual reality worlds could be created for people to upload their consciousness into once their bodies have failed.



The claims were made by Dr Ian Pearson, an engineer and inventor from Ipswich who lectures on the future of our daily lives, according to [The Sun](#).

The holy grail for genetic engineering, human immortality, has long been a fascination for many, he says.

'There are quite a lot of people interested in living forever,' Dr Pearson told The Sun.

'There always has been, but the difference now is tech is improving so quickly, lots of people believe they can actually do it.'

Writing on the *Tao* C. S. Lewis writes, “It is the sole source of all value judgements. If it is rejected, all value is rejected... The rebellion of new ideologies against the ***Tao*** is a rebellion of the branches against the tree: ***if the rebels could succeed they would find that they had destroyed themselves.***”

These words, penned by C.S. Lewis in his 1947 book [*The Abolition of Man*](#), remind us that there truly exists a phenomenon called ***natural law***, or the ***Tao*** as Lewis calls it.

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The mindset to exult oneself over and above God will always lead to destruction.

Galatians 6:7 Do not be deceived: **God is not mocked**, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap.

The account in Genesis views this city as the predominant force in the world, the epitome of ungodly powers, in a word, the “anti-kingdom.” Thus the record in verses 1–9 is polemical in that it shows God’s absolute power in His swift judgment. What the people considered their greatest strength—unity—He swiftly destroyed by confusing their language (v. 7; cf. v. 9). What they considered their greatest fear—scattering (v. 4)—came naturally on them (the Lord scattered them ... over all the earth, v. 8; cf. v. 9). What they desired most—to make a name for themselves (v. 4)—ironically came to pass, for they became known as “Babel.” Then they stopped building the city and were scattered abroad.

This narrative provides a fitting conclusion for the primeval events. It describes the families of the earth hopelessly scattered throughout the then-known world. There was then no record of a mark for the fugitive (cf. 4:15), no rainbow in the clouds (9:13), no ray of hope or token of grace. This leaves the reader looking for a solution. After a connecting genealogy (11:10–26), that solution is provided: out of the scattered nations God formed **one nation** which became His channel of blessing. So God was not done with the human race. This chapter simply prepares the reader for His work.

Certainly there is much more here than an account of what happened to explain the table of nations (chap. 10). If Moses simply wanted to trace the development of God's program, he could have done it straightforwardly. But his word-plays, repetitions, characterizations, and moralizations—all with the *tôrâh* ("law"), *the ethical standard, in mind—teach a lesson.*

Israel was called out of Egypt to be God's theocracy. Israel **was to be established as the unified people of God**, known around the world. **The one simple requirement of them was that they obey.** If they would do so, God would establish them firmly. But if they lifted their heads in pride and rebelled against God, they too would be scattered across the face of the earth. As it turned out, Israel followed the same disastrous course as the Babylonians.

The theme of pride here, then, is important. God puts down those who exalt themselves in pride. Scattering (with its wars and conflicts) is better than **unified apostasy**. God's plan will be accomplished, if not with man's obedience, then in spite of man's disobedience.

God is in charge, He is sovereign, we are not!

The undoing of Babel was cleverly explained by Zephaniah, whose terms certainly retraced this event, anticipating the great unification in the millennial kingdom, when everyone will speak one pure language and worship in God's holy mountain, being gathered from the nations into which they have been dispersed (Zeph. 3:9–11). The miracle at Pentecost (Acts 2:6–11) was a harbinger of that yet-future event.

Zephaniah 3:9-11 "For at that time I will change the speech of the peoples to a pure speech, that all of them may call upon the name of the LORD and **serve him with one accord**. From beyond the rivers of Cush my worshipers, the daughter of my dispersed ones, shall bring my offering. "On that day you shall not be put to shame because of the deeds by which you have rebelled against me; for then I will remove from your midst your **proudly exultant ones**, and you shall no longer be haughty in my holy mountain.

Act 2:6-11 And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians--**we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.**"