THE KINGDOM GIFT-CENTERED CIVILIZATION MODEL™

A Biblical Framework for Human Flourishing in the Age of Artificial Intelligence and Robotics



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A NEW BOOK BY APOSTLE EGLETON LEROY WOODSIDE JR.

Before There Was Employment, There Was Purpose.

As artificial intelligence and robotics reshape the way people work, a deeper question is rising in every home, church, and city: *What makes a human life valuable when machines can do more of the work?*

The Kingdom Gift-Centered Civilization Model™ answers from Scripture. It argues that human worth rests on the image of God — not on economic output — and that the age of intelligent machines is a test of whether societies will organize technology around that truth.

THE GOVERNING SENTENCE OF THE BOOK

Artificial intelligence may transform what humans must do to survive, but it must never determine why human beings deserve to live or what gives their lives meaning.

The thesis in three sentences

1. God created humanity with dignity, identity, relationship, purpose, and stewardship before any employment system existed (Genesis 1–2).
2. Work carries biblical dignity, but employment does not establish human worth.
3. If intelligent machines take on more production, the freed capacity should be directed toward gifts, wisdom, relationships, and service — but only just design, ownership, and governance make that possible.

"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."

GENESIS 1:27 (KJV)

THE QUESTION OF OUR GENERATION

Machines Are Learning to Work. Who Will Remind Us What People Are For?

25%

of jobs worldwide are in occupations with some exposure to generative AI. Researchers expect most work to be **transformed**, not simply replaced.

ILO & NASK Global Index, May 2025

39%

of workers' core skills are expected to change by 2030, according to employers surveyed worldwide.

World Economic Forum, Future of Jobs Report 2025

Most books on AI begin with fear.

This one begins in Eden — before wages, careers, or job titles existed. It moves the reader from identity to action: first who they are, then what they carry, then what they face, then where they serve.

It refuses easy answers.

The book does not claim that AI will automatically bring abundance, peace, or justice. It does not claim that Daniel 12:4 or any other passage predicts artificial intelligence. And it does not offer salvation through technology, a model, or an organization. Its hope is in Christ.

What the reader gains

- A settled, biblical understanding of human worth
- A clear map of spiritual gifts and natural abilities
- An honest picture of what AI can and cannot do
- A practical cycle for discovering and deploying gifts
- A vision for the church as a weekday center of human development
- A tested, voluntary community model — not a utopia

"As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God."

1 PETER 4:10 (KJV)

DISTINCTIVE CONTRIBUTION

Six Things This Book Does Differently

01

Starts from creation, not fear

Begins in Genesis, before employment existed, and settles the reader's worth before any discussion of technology.

02

Joins theology to practice

Moves from careful exegesis to a 12-month community pilot with budget categories and evaluation measures.

03

Treats gifts as a community resource

Reads Romans 12, 1 Corinthians 12, and Ephesians 4 as a pattern for interdependent communities, not only for church services.

04

Refuses techno-utopianism

Presents abundance as conditional on ownership, governance, and justice — never as automatic.

05

Protects those who cannot produce

Defends the worth of children, elders, and people with disabilities before any talk of output.

06

Written by a practitioner

Shaped by more than four decades of pastoral leadership and music ministry.

Voice: a mature apostolic teacher who preaches with conviction and argues with care — offering revelation as insight to be tested, not as unquestionable certainty.

"Prove all things; hold fast that which is good."

1 THESSALONIANS 5:21 (KJV)

THE NARRATIVE ARC

From Given Worth, to a Tested Model, to the Nations

Parts One and Two lay the theological foundation. Part Three diagnoses the challenge. Parts Four through Six respond. No practical proposal appears before the reader's worth is settled in Part One.

Part One Ch 1–4	**The Original Design of Humanity** **What makes a human life valuable?**	Worth is given by God before any work or wage.
Part Two Ch 5–8	**The Civilization of Spiritual and Natural Gifts** **How does God equip people to serve?**	Gifts and abilities are entrusted for the common good, governed by love.
Part Three Ch 9–12	**Artificial Intelligence and the Future of Human Work** **What changes when machines do more of the work?**	Capability without wisdom is the danger; prosperity must be justly shared.
Part Four Ch 13–16	**The Church as a Center of Human Development** **Who carries this vision?**	The local church equips, educates, and joins the generations.
Part Five Ch 17–20	**Building the First Texas Demonstration Community** **Can the model be tested honestly?**	A voluntary, measured 12-month pilot through Covenant Core.
Part Six Ch 21–24	**From Texas to the Nations** **Where does it lead?**	An unchanged Gospel, a voluntary network, and final hope in Christ.

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Gen 1:26–28; 2:15

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Mark 1:15; Matt 4:17

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Ps 139:13–18

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Rom 12; 1 Cor 12; Eph 4

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Planned structure from the Phase 1 book architecture; anchor Scriptures shown for each chapter. Chapter titles may change before publication.
Primary translation: King James Version.

DESIGNED TO BE READ, TAUGHT, AND PRACTICED

Seven Features in Every Chapter

1 **Kingdom Revelation**
One spiritual insight, grounded in a cited text.

2 **Biblical Foundation**
Careful, contextual exposition of the anchor passage.

3 **Civilization Insight**
One implication for society and technology.

4 **Technology Discernment**
What is real today, what is plausible, and what is speculative.

5 **Human Gift Activation**
Two to four personal practices for the reader.

6 **Church Implementation**
Two to four voluntary actions for congregations.

7 **Reflection & Prayer**
Questions for individuals and groups, and a closing prayer.

Honest about what kind of claim is being made

Every significant statement is written so readers can tell which category it belongs to.

Scripture says
DIRECT BIBLICAL TEACHING

"Gifts are given for the common good" (1 Cor 12:7).

This suggests
THEOLOGICAL INFERENCE

A society can learn interdependence from the body of Christ.

One possible future
SPECULATIVE APPLICATION

Churches may host AI-literacy centers.

Every chapter opens with a scene, a question, or a Scripture — never a definition — and ends with an invitation, not a summary.

"Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding."
PROVERBS 4:7 (KJV)

READERS

Written for the Church — Useful for the City

The primary reader is a pastor or Christian leader asking what the church should say and do as AI reshapes work. Every other reader is served through that lens.

Pastors, apostles & ministry leaders

Theology they can preach and a model they can adapt.

Believers & families

Assurance of worth and help discovering gifts.

Spiritually curious readers

A clear, unpressured Gospel invitation.

Educators & students

A learning model for an AI-shaped economy.

Entrepreneurs & technologists

Ethical frameworks for enterprise and AI adoption.

Community & civic partners

A voluntary, accountable pilot they can evaluate.

Four ways to use the book

Individual
Read, reflect, and work through the gift-discovery workbook.

Small group
Use the 24-session discussion guide, one chapter per week.

Church
Preach the twelve-sermon series and teach the twelve-week curriculum.

Leadership
Apply the implementation guide and the responsible-AI policy framework.

"And seek the peace of the city … for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace."

JEREMIAH 29:7 (KJV)

BEYOND THE CHAPTERS

Twelve Appendices for Teaching and Practice

1. The Kingdom Gift-Centered Civilization Covenant
2. Gift-Discovery Reflection Workbook
3. Twelve-Week Introductory Teaching Curriculum
4. Twelve-Sermon Series with Scripture References
5. Small-Group Discussion Guide (24 sessions)
6. Youth & Young-Adult Curriculum Outline
7. Pastor & Ministry-Leader Implementation Guide
8. Responsible AI & Robotics Policy Framework for Churches
9. North Texas 12-Month Pilot: Budget Categories & Metrics
10. Global Community Replication Framework
11. Glossary: Biblical, Economic, AI & Robotics Terms
12. Bibliography (verified sources)

Appendices are planned as back matter or a companion workbook. Contents are in development.



Companion sermon booklet — cover design.

THE BOOK COMES FIRST

A Vision That Can Be Tested and Lived

The book is the foundation. Around it, the author is developing practical tools so that churches and communities can apply its ideas — voluntarily, accountably, and measurably.



Kingdom Gift-Centered Intelligence OS™

A proposed digital platform for gift discovery, development plans, learning, mentoring, and opportunities, with separate Faith and Public pathways.



Human Intelligence Acceleration (HIA)™

A proposed education framework with six campuses — Healthcare, Engineering, Financial, Music, Education, and Insurance — plus a Homeschool extension.

The first demonstration community

Part Five proposes a voluntary, measured 12-month pilot in North Texas through Covenant Core Apostolic Center in Richardson, moving through foundation, community formation, gift activation, and an honest evaluation with a go, adjust, or pause decision.

> The platform, education framework, and pilot are proposals in development. Salvation is by grace through faith in Christ — the model is a response to the Gospel, not a path to it.

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them."

EPHESIANS 2:10 (KJV)

THE MESSAGE BEYOND THE PAGE

Events, Television & Podcast



The Kingdom Gift-Centered Civilization Model™ Event — event identity.



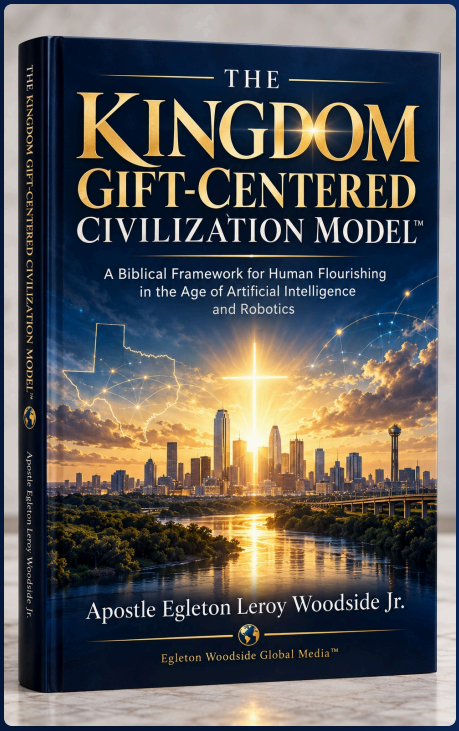
TV | Podcast identity.



Studio set concept for the TV and podcast series — *Biblical Insights. Real Solutions. A Brighter Tomorrow.*



Event apparel, mugs, invitation, roll-up banner, and billboard — design concepts.



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