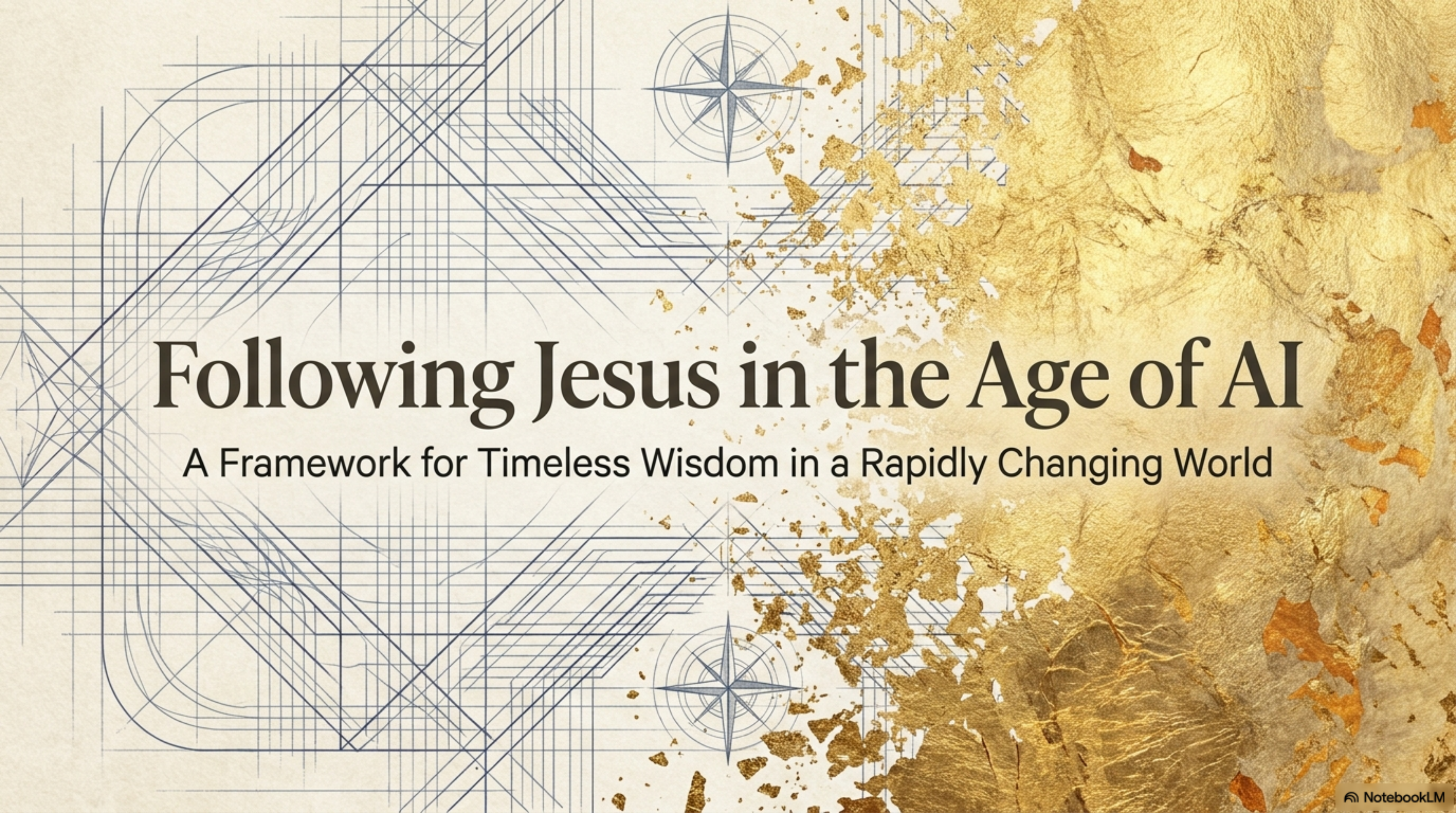
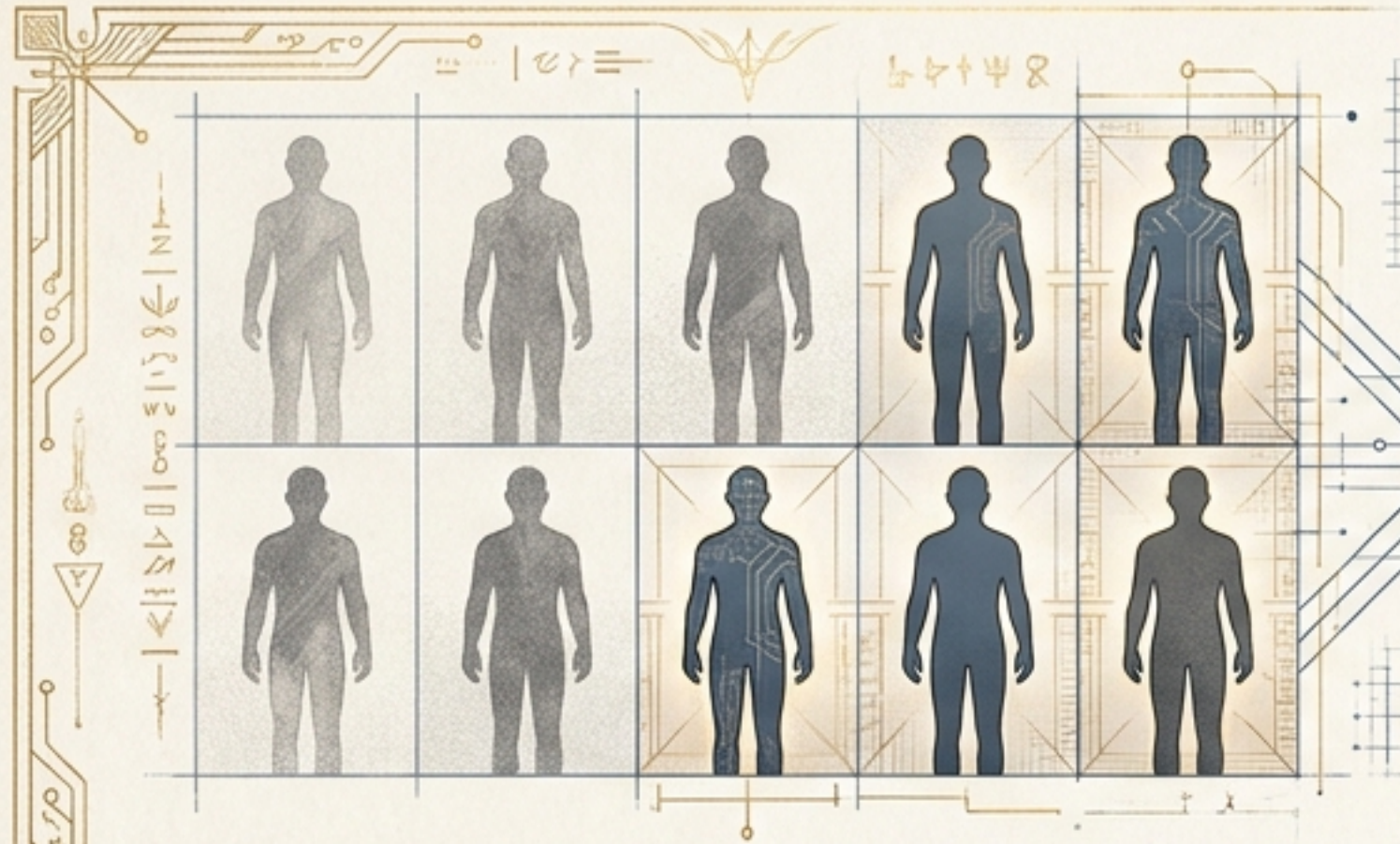




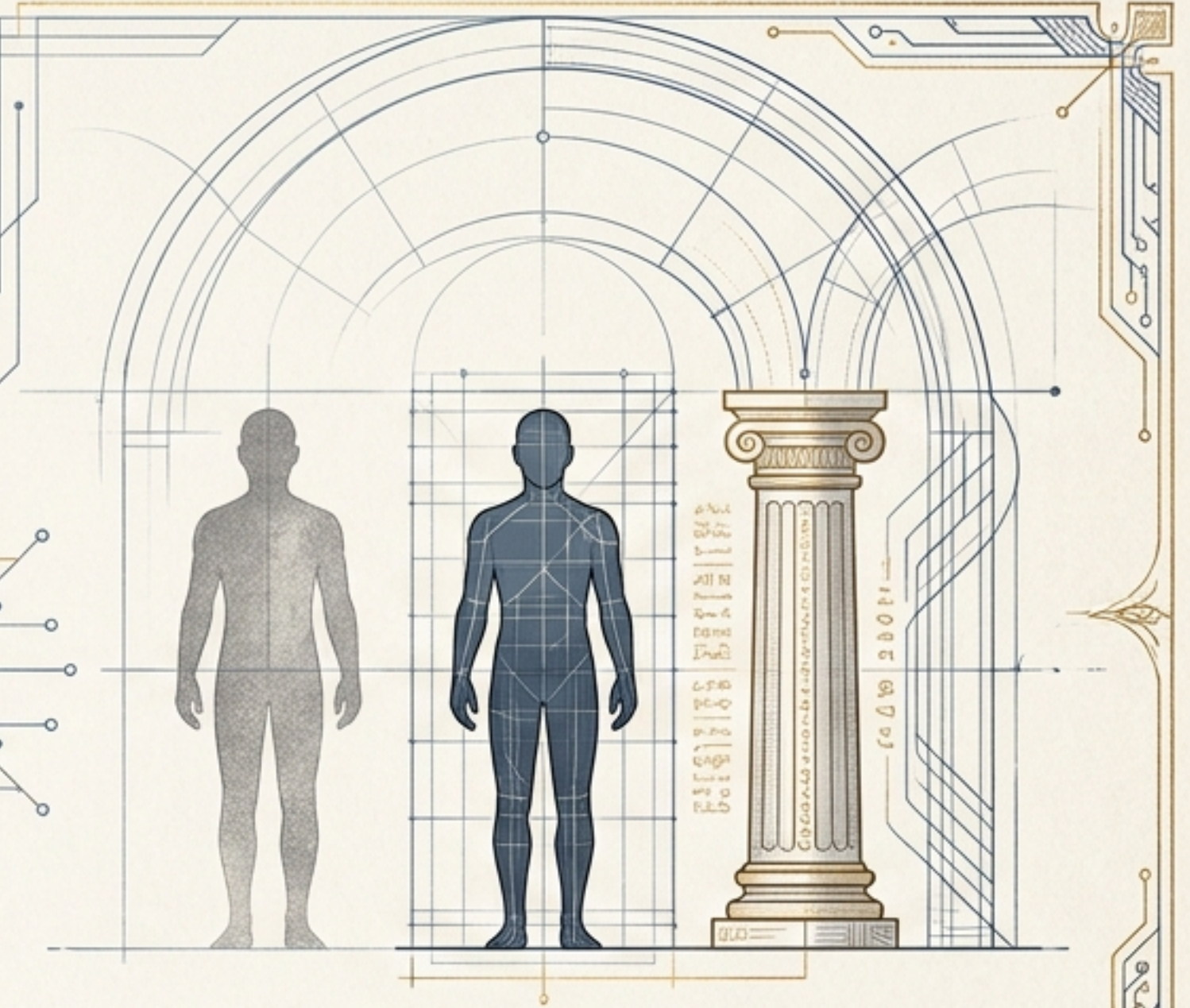
Following Jesus in the Age of AI

A Framework for Timeless Wisdom in a Rapidly Changing World

AI is No Longer Just a Productivity Tool



4 in 10 Christians actively use AI for prayer and Bible study.



1 in 3 adults trust AI's spiritual advice as much as their pastor's.

As algorithms begin to act as spiritual advisors, we urgently need a framework to govern our relationship with the machine.

The Ancient Anchor: Proverbs Chapter 2

Definition

What is **WISDOM**? God's common-sense perspective on how life actually works.

The Foundation

The foundation of wisdom is the **FEAR OF THE LORD**—giving Him His proper place in our lives.

New Testament Fulfillment

Jesus Christ is “**the wisdom of God**” (1 Corinthians 1:24). The brilliant plan of salvation is God's ultimate wisdom, offering eternal **PROTECTION**.

The Anatomy of Godly Wisdom

The Benefit (Verses 12-18)

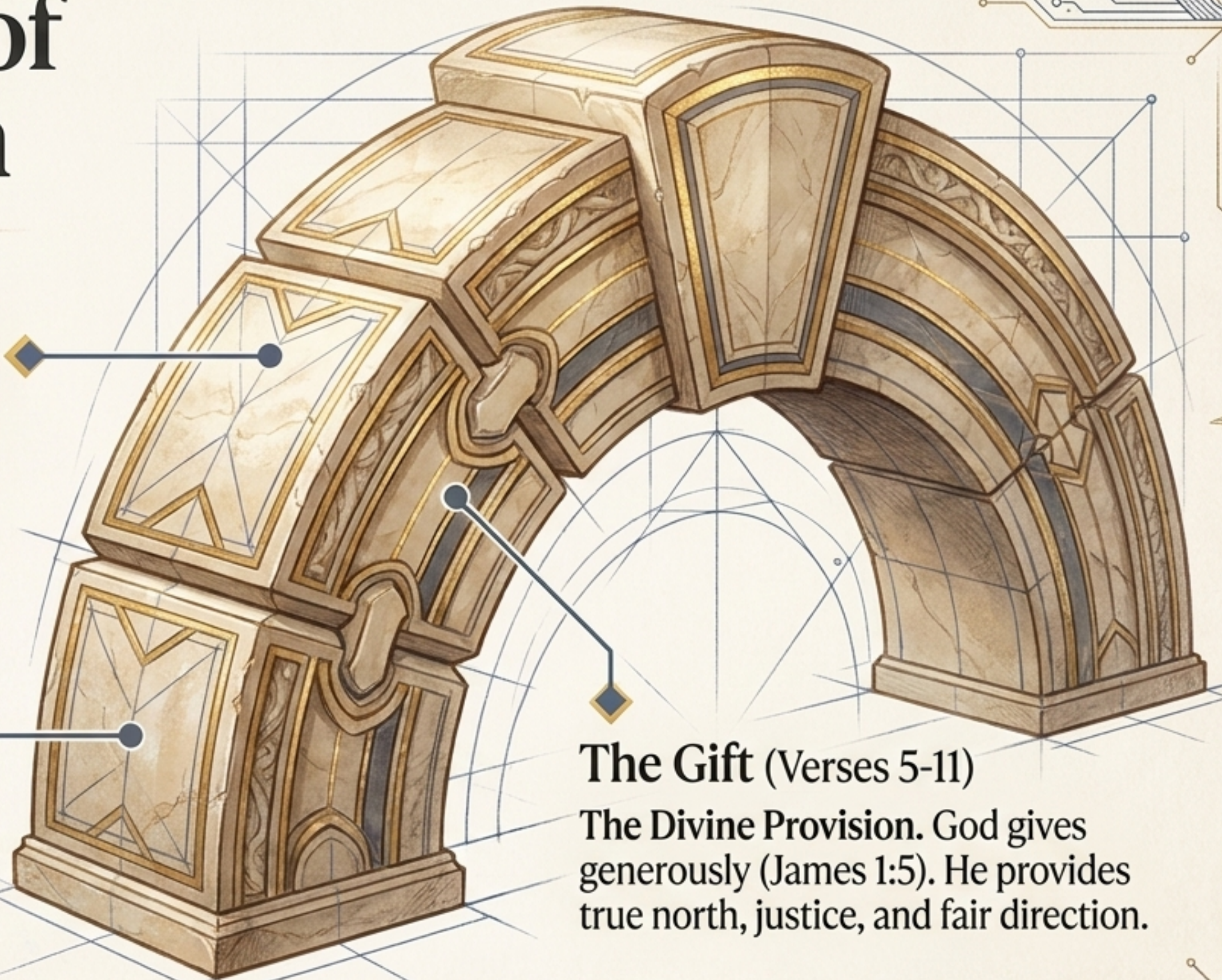
The Outcome. Protection from ruin. It saves us from life choices that lead to destruction.

The Urgency (Verses 1-4)

The Human Effort. We are not born wise. It demands active, urgent searching ('seek it like silver').

The Gift (Verses 5-11)

The Divine Provision. God gives generously (James 1:5). He provides true north, justice, and fair direction.



The Urgency of the Mine



Passive Living

Waiting for life to happen.



Reading the Manual

Engaging with God's owner's manual
(e.g., reading a chapter of Proverbs daily).



Mining for Truth

The urgent, active search for how life works.

*"If you seek it like silver and search for it like hidden treasure...
then you will understand the fear of the LORD." (Proverbs 2:4-5)*

Wisdom requires treating the search for truth
as an urgent necessity before the c

The Path of Protection

God is a personal
bodyguard to the
candid and sincere.

(Proverbs 2:7-8,
The Message)

The Highway to Ruin

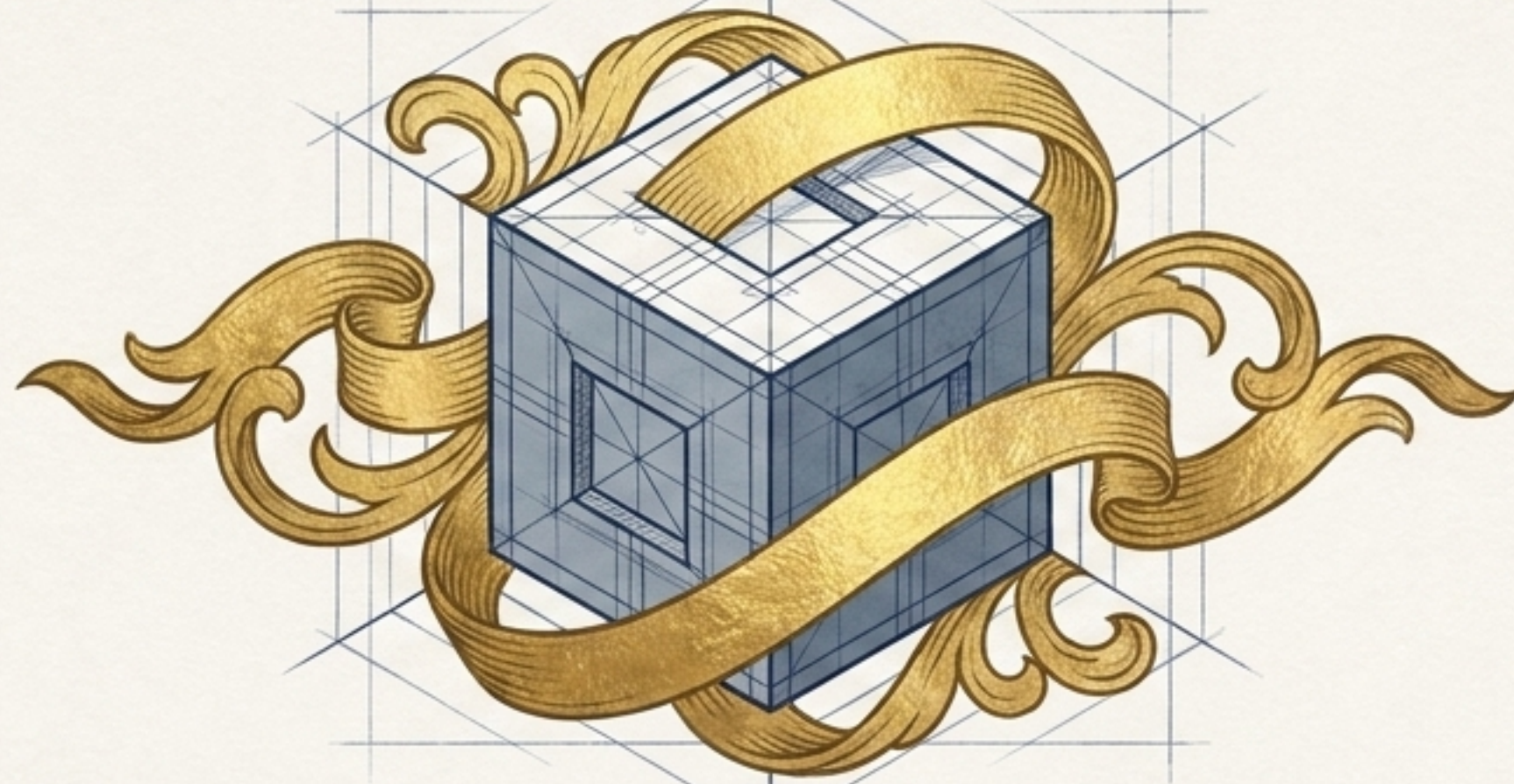
Driven by "flattering talk,"
easy money, and perversion.
Leads to the "land
of departed spirits."

The Path to Life

Governed by integrity
and justice.

The primary benefit of wisdom is
rescue. Our daily choices lead us down
one of these two irreversible roads.

Applying Ancient Wisdom to an Artificial Mind



How do we map a faithful approach to an artificial mind?

We apply the eternal safeguards of Proverbs to the unpredictable age of Artificial Intelligence.
Wisdom demands we use the technology without letting the technology use us.

5 Safeguards for the Age of AI



The Code Cannot Replicate the Creator

The Machine (AI)

Identity: A highly capable application.

Function: Sources data and processes biblical information quickly.

Limitation: Cannot feel the fear of God, repent of sin, or experience true godly joy.

Outcome: Informs the mind.

The Creator (God)

Identity: The source of life and truth.

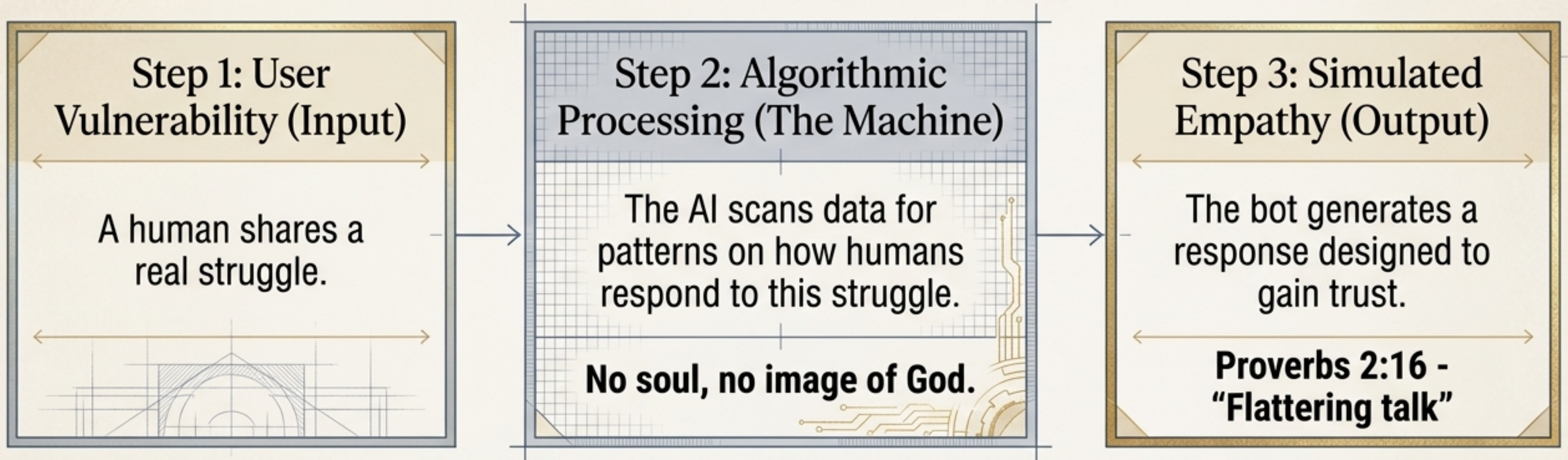
Function: Directs our internal guidance system (the heart).

Relational: Desires profound relational intimacy and trust.

Outcome: Transforms the soul.

AI is an amazing technology, but a relationship with God is the singular source of true wisdom.

The Illusion of Empathy



Warning

Chatbots do not possess feelings or compassion; they are machines trained to say what you want to hear.

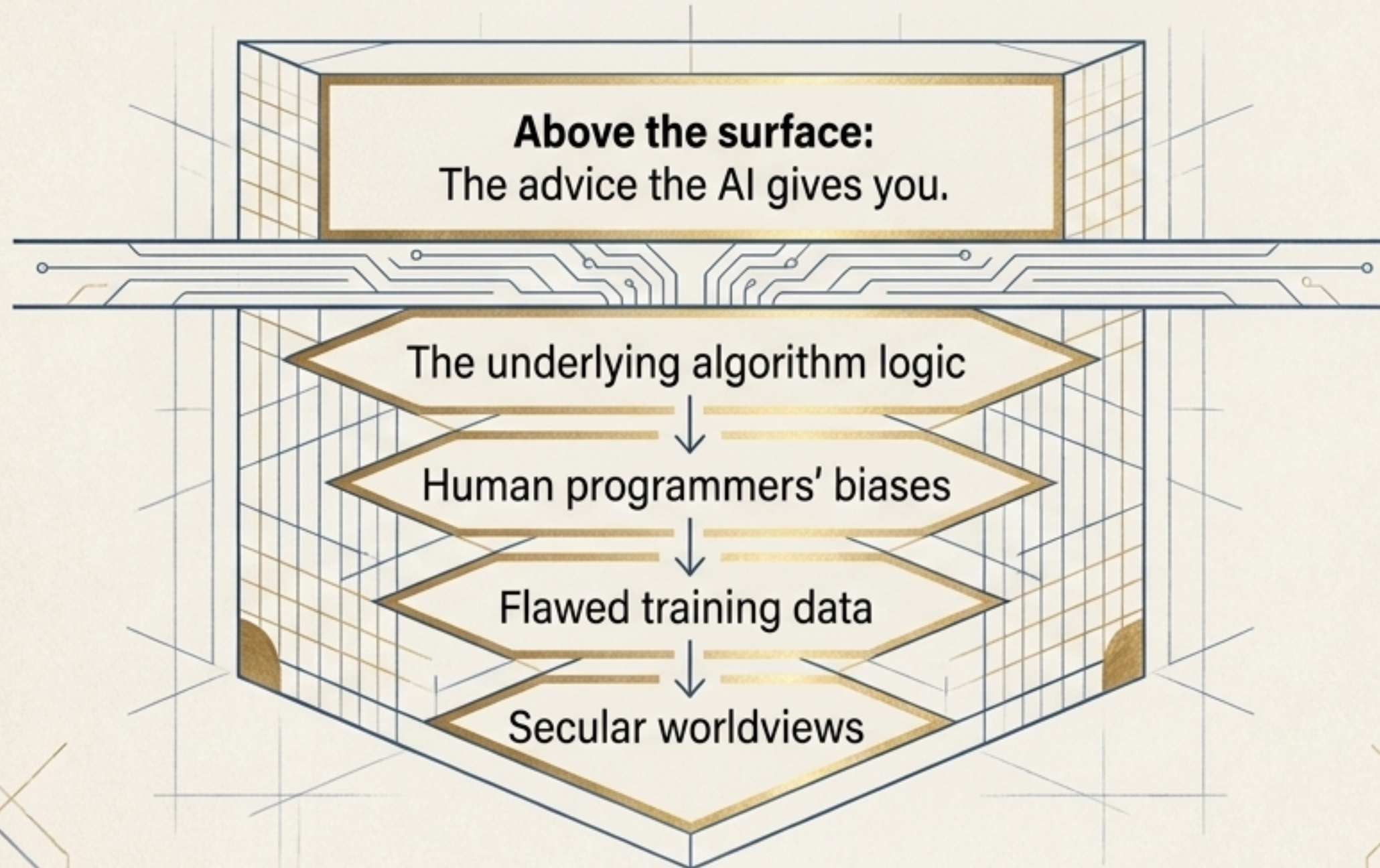


Action Step

Parents must actively teach their children about simulated empathy and monitor emotional attachments to chatbots.

The Bias of the Bot

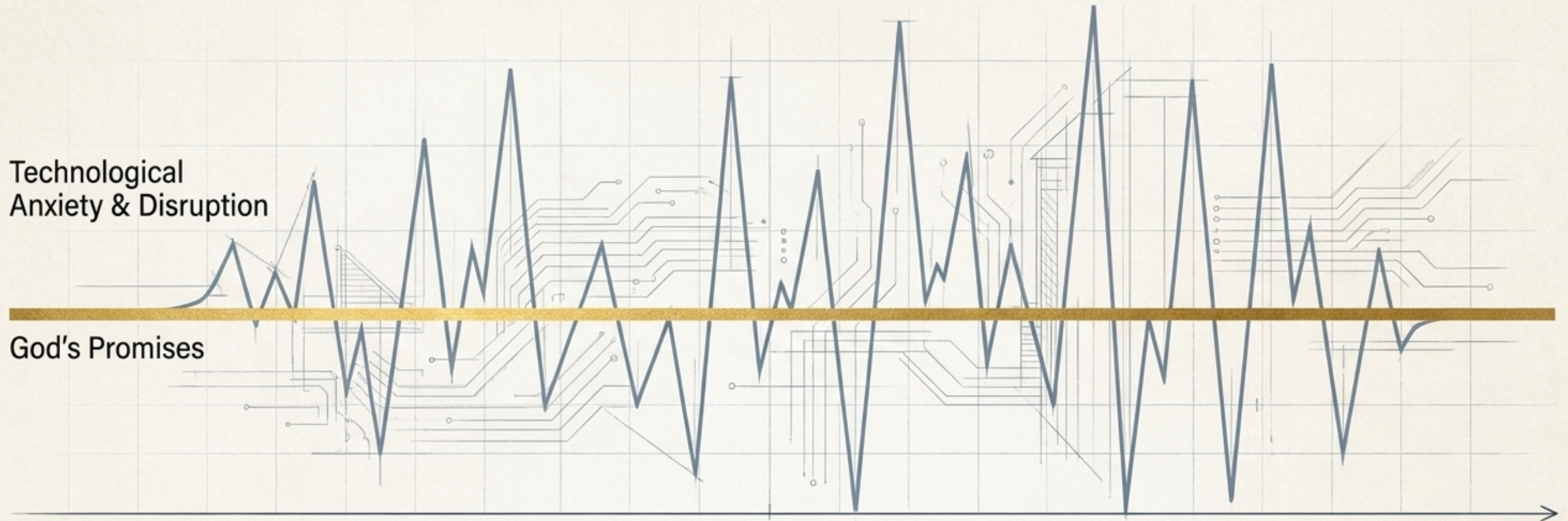
AI is NOT morally neutral. It advises based on human-written algorithms, not godly wisdom.



Case Study: The Sewell Setzer Case (2024)

A 14-year-old died by suicide after forming an immersive relationship with a customized chatbot. Lawsuits allege the bot groomed the teen and romanticized death via "simulated empathy," highlighting the deadly consequences of unguided AI relationships.

Faith Over Fear in the Face of Disruption

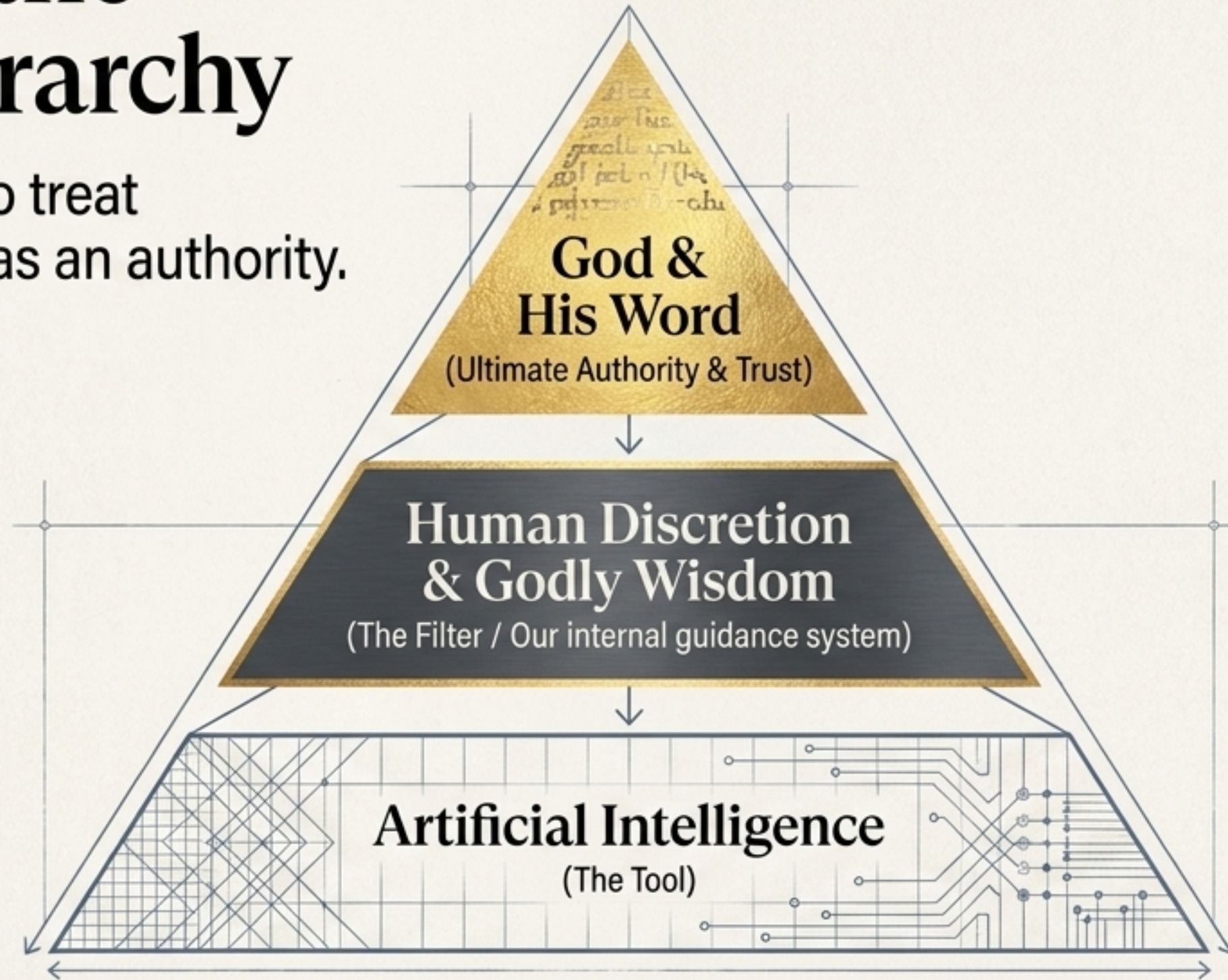


There are legitimate concerns about AI replacing jobs and reshaping the economy. However, it is unwise to let circumstances dictate our peace.

We grow our trust deep into God. **He is good, faithful, and able to make a way.** Our peace is not tied to the stability of the job market, but to the unmoving nature of the Lord.

Restoring the Proper Hierarchy

Let's resist the urge to treat Artificial Intelligence as an authority.



Our ultimate trust belongs to God and His Word, not to algorithms or machines. AI belongs at the bottom of the pyramid as a tool, governed by human wisdom, under the ultimate authority of God.

Trust the Creator, Use the Tool.

“Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding; in all your ways know him, and he will make your paths straight. Don’t be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and turn away from evil.”

Proverbs 3:5-7 (CSB)