



Artificial Intelligence, Boon, Threat or Scare Tactic

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Artificial Intelligence, is it a boon or a threat or is it just another scare tactic to gain control? The last couple of days I've been watching debates on television news, and I heard repeatedly how AI will destroy humanity within the next ten years. Didn't we hear this about climate destroying humanity within the next ten years? Didn't we hear that electricity would destroy humanity? Didn't we hear that nuclear power was so dangerous that we had to use polluting fossil fuels to maintain electricity? Weren't we once told that it was dangerous to believe that the earth revolved around the sun? Yes, the doom sayers are back.

No, I don't believe that AI will destroy the world. Yes, humans can use it inappropriately, just look at TikTok and Instagram. Yes, they can create propaganda and fake news and fake videos, but they can only get away with that when some humans are too stupid to investigate things on their own and see what is true or not true.

Joseph Goebbels, Reich Minister of Propaganda for the Nazi party was the master of AI. After all, he came out with the idea that if you tell a lie enough times, people will believe it. That was the first attempt at AI in my mind. But now the ability to tell these lies has just been enhanced because they can be aided by videos and conversations over things like ChatGPT, Grok etc. You don't have a girlfriend? Make one up. You want to kill yourself, get AI to tell you how to do it. So, you say to yourself, this is horrible. But is the horror really the AI or the social isolation that leads to these things that happened largely during COVID and through chats and various social media platforms that has been used incorrectly over the years? That's the question, that AI is not inherently evil but that the way people interact in society leads to isolation and mental illness and people have to turn to AI for their own self esteem.

There are many benefits of AI such as being able to produce new drugs without having been tested on animals, GPS routes & self-driving both of which are decreasing accidents and making roads safer. Australia just lowered its insurance rates for drivers who use self-driving. AI gives us the ability to develop new weapons and better ability to defend ourselves as a country etc.

So, who has adopted AI scare tactic. This is somewhat bipartisan in nature. But the Democrats are largely leading the charge. One must wonder since China and no other country will stop in development of AI, why these people wish the United States to stop while our enemies continue. Is this an attempt to weaken and destroy our country knowing full well that AI can only go as far as we allow it to go. Finally, just remember, we don't stick our fingers in electric sockets. We cover electric sockets for our children's safety, so they don't electrocute themselves. The same safeguard can be put on AI.

A bunch of lunatics making unfounded claims should not dictate American policy. Imagine if we had used nuclear energy appropriately, we would have marked decreased the use of fossil fuels. Humans love to be scared. And people love to scare us so they can control us. But all of these "whistleblowers" tell us how bad it is but provide no evidence as to why. People have to be thoughtful. But they aren't. With the big lie and today they believe everything on TikTok and social media which is also often the big lie. For this to work, it depends on human stupidity and lack of education. The answer is not to stop AI but to decrease human isolation and stupidity via education which is sorely lacking in this country at the present time.

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