

Glenn Beck Warns of the Rising False Messiah

Millions are turning away from the Creator, [but according to Glenn Beck](#), they're not becoming secular.

They're just trading one god for another.

"They will bow down to the new god of silicon and circuits," Beck said in a recent monologue. "They will trust it. They will worship it. They will defend it. They will obey it. They will not question."

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Beck warned that society has become what he calls "material and technological fundamentalists," blindly trusting algorithms and data over faith and spiritual discernment. "Truth can be discerned with numbers running through a machine. But not by silence and listening for that still small voice," he said.

As artificial intelligence advances, Beck believes it will present itself as something divine. "Like a messiah, it will promise unbelievable miracles. It will cure disease. It'll be a solution for climate change, even the end of death itself."

But he raised the question, "Or will that be the end of death? And at what cost?"

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Beck compared this rise of AI to [the biblical warnings about false prophets](#), saying, “They deceive so many into abandoning their god, the God, because they can see this lesser god of their own creation. What greater deception than a machine that claims to be the savior of mankind?”

Despite his deep concerns, Beck made it clear he is not rejecting AI entirely. “I will not deny this tool,” he said. “As long as I’m in control of this tool, I will not deny the use of this tool because we can do miraculous things with it.”

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Still, there are lines he will not cross.

“I will never accept it inside of my body. I’ve never inject something into my head so I can think like the machine,” he stated. “This will become a god without a soul, a god without love, a god without mercy, a god of cold, calculating logic. That’s what it is.”

With society racing toward technological dependence, Beck echoed Elon Musk’s term for this moment: “the event horizon of the singularity.” He added, “You could just say at the biggest crossroads in history that humans have ever been.”

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Scientist Plans Bunker for AI

Rapture, But Only One Way Leads to Survival

The man known as the “brains” behind ChatGPT once proposed building a doomsday bunker for his company’s top researchers ahead of what he believed could be [a civilization-altering ‘rapture’](#): the release of artificial general intelligence, or AGI.

“We’re definitely going to build a bunker before we release AGI,” said Ilya Sutskever, according to Empire of AI author Karen Hao, whose account was adapted in The Atlantic.

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During a 2023 internal meeting, Sutskever reportedly told colleagues, “Once we all get into the bunker...” before being cut off by a confused researcher asking, “I’m sorry, the bunker?”

The remarks, corroborated by multiple sources, reveal a bizarre and almost spiritual fear among the minds crafting the world’s most powerful technologies. “There is a group of people – Ilya being one of them – who believe that building AGI will bring about a rapture. Literally, a rapture,” one researcher said.

As reported by The New York Post, the story of Sutskever’s growing disillusionment with OpenAI’s trajectory and internal power struggles, including his brief ousting of CEO Sam Altman, paints a sobering picture: those closest to AGI’s creation fear not just its misuse, but its very existence.

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No manmade bunker can protect the soul from [the true rapture that is coming.](#)

The Word of God is clear: there is a day approaching when Jesus Christ will return and take His church out of this world. No billionaire, no bunker, no artificial intelligence can stop it or prepare someone for it, apart from repentance and faith in Jesus.

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The elite of the earth may build underground fortresses, but unless they are born again, all their preparations are in vain. As Christ Himself said, "For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses his own soul?" (Mark 8:36).

There is only one shelter that will endure in the coming storm: the blood of Jesus Christ and the salvation He freely offers. The true rapture won't be triggered by machines, it will be led by the King of kings. And only those who know Him will be ready.

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Living Well in a Digital

Babylon Requires Boundaries, Not Silence

Noise is everywhere, scrolling feeds, endless notifications and constant opinions.

That's the reality Tré Goins-Phillips and Billy Hallowell unpacked in a recent episode of Faith Versus Culture, where they explored what it means to live faithfully in what they called [a "digital Babylon."](#)

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"Daniel... was determined not to defile himself," Goins-Phillips said, pointing to the example set in Daniel 1.

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Hallowell reflected on his own effort to regain clarity, saying, "I've removed the apps from my phone for 30 days. It sort of recalibrates and [gives a little bit of peace.](#)" He added, "The primary reason that I should be using it... is to honor God."

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To hear the full conversation on dealing with social media in today's age, watch the video above.

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Will the Golden Dome Shield Us, Or Is It Already Too Late?

President Donald Trump's newly proposed [\\$175 billion "Golden Dome" missile defense system](#) is making headlines, but some believers are asking whether we even have the time to see it through.

In a recent video, Tom Cote from the Watchman River channel questioned, "Do you guys think we have the time to build the golden dome for the golden age?"

For him, there is only one answer: "I just don't think there's time."

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Cote made it clear [he supports the idea as an American](#). "I'm all for them building a golden dome to protect us," he said. But through a biblical lens, he believes the world is far too close to the return of Christ for such long-term plans to unfold.

“When I see all the signs that have converged as we wait for this pre-tribulation rapture, I don’t see the Golden Dome. And I definitely don’t see the golden age,” he added.

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Referencing increasing global chaos, prophetic signs and mounting tensions, Cote emphasized one important, end times point: “Time is short. I say that all the time because I really believe it.”

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To hear all of the Watchman River podcast episode, watch the video above.

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PCUSA Approves LGBTQ Litmus Test for Ordination, Is This the Great Falling Away?

The line is being drawn, and the choice is becoming clear: follow the Word of God or follow the spirit of the age.

A recent decision by the Presbyterian Church USA showcases [just how far apostasy has crept into the modern church](#), and how urgent it is for the remnant to remain grounded in truth.

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As reported by The Christian Post, the PCUSA has passed Amendment 24-C, which requires all ordination candidates to be questioned about their views on sexual orientation and gender identity. This decision has been met with sharp concern by many believers who hold to the authority of Scripture. The amendment passed with approval from 86 presbyteries—two more than the minimum required.

Supporters of the move, like the Rev. Brian Ellison of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, claim the change is meant to foster “deeper reflection, honest conversation, and authentic discernment.” Ellison added, “I’m genuinely excited to see the ways these more comprehensive examinations will benefit LGBTQIA+ people, as well as those from other marginalized groups.”

But many see it differently.

More than 150 PCUSA clergy signed an open letter ahead of the 226th General Assembly warning that this amendment could “undermine the theological diversity of PCUSA.” The letter plainly states, “This amendment would immediately disqualify and exclude many faithful and dedicated Ruling Elders, Teaching Elders and Deacons from serving due to their convictions.”

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Let that sink in. This is not merely about policy. [It's about disqualifying biblical convictions.](#)

It's clear that the church is being sifted. The Word of God tells us that in the last days, there will be a falling away.

This is not a distant prophecy, it is unfolding now. When institutions that once upheld Scripture begin to reject its authority in favor of cultural affirmation, we must recognize that deception is already running rampant, just as the Bible warned.

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Repentance is not optional. This is a call to reject compromise, return to the unchanging Word and stand firmly in the Spirit of truth, regardless of cost.

The end times are already pressing in. And the only way to endure is to stand on the solid rock of Christ and His Word because apostasy is here.

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'God Is Not Done With America': Thousands Baptized as Nation Prepares for Pentecost Outpouring

On May 3, more than 7,700 people made a bold public declaration of faith in Jesus Christ along the shores of Huntington Beach. [The massive baptism event](#), organized by Baptize California—soon to become Baptize America—brought together around 30,000 people and over 500 churches to worship and witness God's transforming power.

This wasn't just a gathering. It was a preview of what's to

come.

On June 8, Pentecost Sunday, Baptize America is planning what they believe could be “the largest day of water baptism in world history.” Hundreds of churches across the nation will take part in fulfilling the Great Commission.

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For Pastor Mark Francey of Oceans Church in Orange County, the vision is clear: “God is not done with America, and we are convinced if we can unite the church and turn fully back to Jesus, [He will heal our land.](#)”

That healing is happening, one soul at a time.

[Francey recalled what he witnessed on May 3:](#) “I saw homeless people...people in wheelchairs that [got] pushed to the sand...old, young, all different ethnicities, all different political persuasions. It was a beautiful thing to see what Jesus did at the beach the other day.”

It’s no coincidence that this national moment of revival is planned for Pentecost Sunday—a day that marks the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, a time of God’s goodness, grace, love and mercy. Pentecost isn’t just a historical moment; it’s a living promise that God still moves, heals and saves.

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Since launching two years ago, Baptize SoCal has already baptized nearly 24,000 people. “The main reason why we did this event in California a month early,” said Francey, “is so

that all of the momentum from people getting excited about what God's doing in California would actually transfer into local churches...all over America."

That momentum isn't just staying on the West Coast. Baptize America's website boldly declares: "If God can do it in California, He can do it in any state. And if He can do it in America, He can do it in any other nation in the world."

The spark of revival is also lighting up college campuses.

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Unite US, which began as Unite Auburn in 2023, has seen gospel-sharing events and mass baptisms sweep across schools like Tennessee and Texas A&M.

"I believe that America is set for the greatest revival our nation has ever seen," said Unite US founder Tonya Prewett. "I believe it's starting with college students, and the hunger and the fire that we're seeing...is just taking off. It's a movement."

This Pentecost, churches from more than 100 denominations will join hands, hearts and waters in unity. As Baptize America puts it, the time is now—because God is still pouring out His Spirit, and America is choosing Him.

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'The Rain Is Coming': Be

Prepared for God's Outpouring

When [Alwyn Uys goes live for his Daily Prophetic messages](#), he doesn't rely on scripting or scheduling—he relies on the Holy Spirit.

“Daily prophetic is something out of obedience,” Uys shares. “It is birthed out of spontaneous words in the moment on the day that I know that I have to come on.”

In his most recent message, Uys spoke with conviction about a powerful word he received from the Lord that morning: “The rain is coming.” Though the sky above him was clear and sunny, he described how earlier that day, “this thunder cloud...just started raining. And right before that the Lord just gave me this message: the rain is coming.”

But this wasn't about physical weather—it is spiritual. “People who have been going through dry and barren times, barren seasons, wilderness times—financially, relationship-wise...what the Holy Spirit was saying is that rain is coming,” Uys declares.

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For anyone feeling stuck in a season of drought, Uys pointed to the promise of God in Joel 2:23-27, reading, “He sends you abundant showers, both autumn and spring rains, as before. The threshing floors will be filled with grain. The vats will overflow with new wine and oil. I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten...

“Never again will my people be ashamed,” Uys emphasizes,

repeating the promise from the passage. “This barren season will come to an end because the rain is coming.”

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And yet, [**Uys offered a word of preparation and action.**](#) “Do not sit with idle hands. In Afrikaans, we have a saying: do not sit on your hands. You have to keep them busy.” He encouraged viewers to “prepare your fields for the rain as if it is coming tomorrow.”

The moment of breakthrough, Uys reminds his audience, is not just for personal relief but for the glory of God. “Now when your rain is coming on the barren fields, do not be quiet about it. Testify about it.”

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Uys closed with compassion for those facing deep struggles, offering prayer and pointing to the only One who can truly satisfy: “They need the rain of the Holy Spirit. Nothing else can fix it. Nothing else can quench that thirst but the Holy Spirit, but Jesus pouring down upon their life.”

Whether you are facing drought in your marriage, finances, health or faith, Uys’ message carries a timeless truth: God’s rain is coming, prepare your heart, expect His goodness and when it comes, don’t stay silent. Testify.

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Bible Prophecy Confirmed? Pastor Responds to Trump, Israel and the New Pope

Pastor Tom Hughes continues to walk his audience through current events by comparing them directly to Scripture.

In his recent Today In Prophecy episode, Hughes points to news out of the Vatican, Iran and Israel as evidence that biblical prophecy is unfolding and that believers need to remain discerning. “We have the prophetic word confirmed which you do well to heed as a light that shines in the darkness until that day,” Hughes said, quoting 2 Peter 1. “Holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.”

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Hughes discussed President Trump’s announcement that the Vatican is “very interested in hosting peace talks between Russia and Ukraine.” Trump also extended an invitation to the new pope, Leo XIV—a Chicago native—to visit the White House. [“You have an American pope](#) and you have Trump in the White House,” Hughes said. “I probably should have saved this for a ‘you can’t make this up’ episode.”

He then shifted to Iran’s refusal to halt its uranium enrichment efforts. “I think of Jeremiah chapter 49 and it appears to me that Elam is going to be hit and hit hard by a military strike,” Hughes said. “Will the U.S. be involved with Israel? Is that going to come?”

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The focus turned to growing pressure against Israel from the U.K., Canada and France. Those countries have threatened sanctions over Israel's continued operations in Gaza. Hughes pushed back against the criticism: "Ninety thousand Muslims that are slaughtering others in Sudan and nobody says anything about that, right? Let's just come against Israel for protecting themselves."

Hughes read Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's statement in response to Western leaders: "This is a war of civilization over barbarism ... Israel will continue to defend itself by just means until total victory is achieved."

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As political pressure mounts, Hughes warned that there are consequences for opposing God's covenant people. "Judgment is coming to [all those who turned against the land of Israel,](#)" he said.

Hughes urges viewers to stay grounded in Scripture. "Don't turn to the left or the right," he says. "We use that bright light of the Word to shine on the path in this dark world."

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Spiritual Portals Are Real:

How Worship Shifts Atmospheres and Shuts Demons Out

What if recurring nightmares aren't just a random function of an anxious mind, but a sign of a deeper spiritual issue in your home?

Dr. Laura Sanger, author and deliverance minister, says that's exactly what she encountered on a ministry trip to Turin, Italy—an experience that opened her eyes to [the reality of spiritual portals](#).

“The Lord has given me opportunity at times to cleanse those portals because they can be cleansed and and reversed,” Sanger explained during an interview on The Deep End podcast with host Taylor Welch. “And both times I've done it, the Lord has given us the strategy, just simply ‘worship Me in spirit and in truth’ and it closes off that portal to the demonic entities.”

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She recounted one such incident during her 2005 trip to Turin, just ahead of the Winter Olympics. While staying in a friend's guest room, she and her team began to suspect something was spiritually wrong. “Their guests would have recurring nightmares. Different guests would have the same nightmare,” she said. “And when they told our friends, they realized, OK, this is a portal.”

Sanger brought two young girls with her on the trip, unaware of the spiritual activity in the room. But once the host mentioned the portal, she said, “We could discern it. Walked

right to it.” Following the Holy Spirit’s instruction, they worshiped in the room until they “felt the shift and could feel the presence of the Lord.”

According to Sanger, [the occult understands portals far better than most believers.](#) “You know the occult, the Luciferians, they understand the importance of opening up portals and territories and altars for their activity,” she said. “That’s what the false worship is all about.”

Host Taylor Welch echoed her insights: “Portals are transport. Altars are exchange... I think portals can be closed. It’s more legalistic. You can close them. Worship—an altar—that will close a portal. When Yahweh shows up, anything else that had legal access is moving on.”

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Their discussion touches on spiritual warfare at a geographical level, including “ley lines” and “spiritual grids.” Sanger explains: “A spiritual grid is a bunch of ley lines connected over a region and people might have no idea there’s a spiritual grid over their territory but they still experience the effects of it.”

Turin, she revealed, is no ordinary city. “It’s the witchcraft capital of the world. It’s the intersection of two magic triangles... the black magic triangle which is London, San Francisco and Turin. And then you have the white magic triangle which is Leon, Prague and Turin.”

The team’s experiences in Turin were intense—from visually sensing demonic movement to encountering “a distinctive foul

odor, much like the smell of sulfur and manure combined.” After a prophetic act to sever the ley line, Sanger said the Holy Spirit gave further instruction: “You didn’t invite My presence into the void you just created.” When they did, “the smell changed immediately to this fresh pine scent.”

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As Welch put it, “The best altar ever is the altar of salvation... it will not always close the portals though.” It takes active worship, discernment and obedience to the Holy Spirit to shift spiritual atmospheres.

For those experiencing unexplainable spiritual disturbances, nightmares or repeated destructive patterns, Sanger and Welch offer this serious wake-up call. There may be more going on than meets the eye, and more power in worship than most dare to imagine.

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Have We Been Praying Wrong? Here’s 1 Shift That Changes Everything

For many believers, prayer feels more like a spiritual chore than a life-giving encounter. [But Pastor Chris Garcia](#) says the problem isn’t prayer, it’s how we view it.

“So many people, they feel like, you know, prayer is something you owe to God instead of looking at it like a deposit,”

Garcia said during a recent interview. “Prayer is so important because that’s where the deposit happens.”

Garcia, leader of the Fresh Oil ministry, centers his work around contemplative prayer—what he calls “just simply being still with the presence of God to get to know Him.”

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He’s clear that this form of prayer isn’t about performance or emotional highs. “The contemplative specifically—that type of prayer—is where the deposit happens, where the healing happens, the deliverance happens.”

Garcia recalled deeply personal moments where the presence of the Holy Spirit was so tangible, it changed his entire approach to prayer. “As I walk and I stand up and I go into the living room, it was like the presence of the Holy Spirit was like it became the room,” he said. “It was like palpable and weighty glory. I almost was afraid to, like, even look up.”

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But it’s not always a rush of divine feeling. Sometimes it’s silence. Stillness. Even waiting.

“It wasn’t like I was feeling the presence,” [Garcia shared](#). “I was just waiting there. And it got to a point where it was like awkward, just, waiting. And then all of a sudden on the stream this one kid comes in, ‘God, please forgive me of my sins. I repent.’ ... Then another one. And it turned into like 30, 40, 50 people repenting.”

Garcia stresses that being in God's presence isn't about checking boxes—it's about encountering a Person.

"Surely there's something else," Garcia remembered saying during one of these moments of silence with the Lord. "And He's like, 'Be with Me. Let Me be with you.' And I'm there and I'm just like—tears are streaming down my face."

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The takeaway? True prayer is not about doing more. It's about abiding.

"If you want to be a vessel of power, you've got to learn to habitate in sitting with Him," Garcia said. "We cheat on God with the stuff He gives us all the time. We're so busy looking at His hands that we miss His face."

For those struggling to connect in prayer, Garcia offers this simple encouragement: "Just start praying. That's step one. God will meet you where you are."

And in that stillness, everything changes.

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