

# Franklin Graham Responds to Trump AI Image Controversy

Evangelist Franklin Graham is weighing in on the growing controversy surrounding an AI-generated image re-posted and then deleted by President Donald Trump, pushing back against critics and defending the president's intent.

As debate continues across social media and news outlets, Graham addressed concerns directly, dismissing claims that Trump intentionally shared imagery portraying himself as Jesus Christ and arguing that critics are misrepresenting the situation.



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Graham released the following full statement:

*I had received some questions about President @realDonaldTrump's recent posts, and here are my thoughts:*

*I do not believe President Trump would knowingly depict himself as Jesus Christ—that would certainly be inappropriate. I'm thankful the President has made it very clear that this was not at all what he thought the AI-generated image was representing—he thought it was a doctor helping someone, and when he learned of the concerns, he immediately removed the post.*

*When I looked at the illustration, I didn't jump to the same conclusion as some. There were no spiritual references—no halo, there were no crosses, no angels. It was a flag, soldiers, a nurse, fighter planes, eagles, the Statue of Liberty, and I think this is a lot to do about nothing. There is so much ill-intended speculation. I think his enemies are always foaming at the mouth at any possible opportunity to*

*make him look bad.*

*And the illustration from someone else he reposted on Truth Social yesterday, I must say that I like the fact that this is a picture of Jesus whispering in his ear, or at least His hand on his shoulder, guiding him. We all need that—we all need to be listening to Jesus. Again, I think there is an attempt to spin this into something that it isn't. Remember, President Trump didn't draw this, he didn't create it, he reposted it on his social media because he thought it was nice—I would have to agree.*

*I'm not a Catholic, I'm an evangelical, but I appreciate how President Trump has defended religious freedom for people of all faiths, including millions of evangelicals and Catholics in the U.S. and around the world. He is the most pro-Christian, pro-life president in my lifetime, and he doesn't shy away from it. I would hope that the President and Pope Leo can meet at some point, and that the Pope would have the opportunity to thank the President for his efforts to protect religious liberty for Catholics and people of all faiths.*

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*– Franklin Graham (@Franklin\_Graham) April 16, 2026*

Graham's comments arrive as the debate over AI-generated imagery and political messaging continues to gain traction online. The controversy has sparked strong reactions, but Graham made it clear he sees the situation very differently,

pointing to what he described as a rush to assign intent where there was none.

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## **Dinesh D'Souza Explains Trump's Foreign Policy: The 'Real Estate President' Strategy**

Dinesh D'Souza is offering a fresh way to understand President Donald Trump and his often unpredictable foreign policy, arguing the key is to stop viewing him as a traditional politician altogether.

"Trump's foreign policy is a mystery to most people," D'Souza said, pointing to what many see as contradictions in Trump's rhetoric and actions. But he insists there is a consistent framework behind it.

"Trump, unlike any president of our lifetimes... is America's first real estate president," D'Souza said.

According to D'Souza, Trump does not operate from ideology. Instead, he approaches global affairs like a dealmaker

managing a valuable asset. "All the world's a real estate market, and an effective foreign policy is the best way to play that market," he said.

That mindset, he argued, explains Trump's "America First" approach. "What it means is that Trump doesn't approach the world ideologically," D'Souza said. "He doesn't fit their templates."



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D'Souza said Trump views the United States as "the most valuable piece of real estate in the world," with the president acting as its chief executive. From that perspective, every decision is about increasing value, securing resources and protecting assets.

He pointed to Trump's rhetoric as part of that strategy. "Real estate people are masters of crazy talk," D'Souza said, describing exaggerated statements as intentional leverage. "The goal is to make a sale. So, the rhetoric is at the service of a pragmatic end."

That same transactional thinking extends to global conflicts. On Iran, D'Souza said Trump's concern is not ideological. "Nuclear weapons... are a real estate nightmare," he said, because they "destroy lives and property."

On alliances like NATO, D'Souza said Trump rejects the idea of unequal burden-sharing. "If it's in both our interest to have security, well, you pay your part, we'll pay our part. Otherwise, no deal," he said.

D'Souza argued Trump should ultimately be judged by results, not style. "Is the American real estate empire stronger or weaker?" he asked.

Whether one agrees with that framework or not, it reframes the

debate around Trump's foreign policy in a way that helps explain the pattern behind the unpredictability.

Instead of asking why his moves seem inconsistent, the better question becomes what kind of deal he is trying to make and how it benefits the United States in the long run.

*To watch Dinesh D'Souza's full podcast episode, click here (Editor's Note: mild language).*

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## **Scientists Say Sun Is Tearing Asteroid Apart as Earth Passes Through Debris**

A newly uncovered space phenomenon is drawing attention after scientists confirmed that an asteroid is being torn apart by the Sun, leaving Earth moving through the remnants of its debris trail.

The discovery has sparked dramatic headlines suggesting danger, but the reality is far less alarming and far more fascinating. Researchers say the event has created a previously unknown meteor stream that is now intersecting with Earth's orbit.

In a recent study, scientists identified a cluster of 282 meteors tied to a single asteroid that passed extremely close to the Sun.

As reported by , that close approach caused the asteroid to heat up, crack and shed material into space.



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That material now forms a stream of dust and small fragments that Earth is currently passing through.

While the phrase "flying through debris" may sound ominous, scientists say this is the same process that produces everyday meteor showers. When tiny particles from space enter Earth's atmosphere, they burn up almost instantly, creating the streaks of light commonly known as shooting stars.

Most of these particles are no larger than grains of sand and pose no threat to the planet.

Researchers explain that the asteroid's destruction is driven by extreme solar heat. As it travels closer to the Sun than Earth ever does, its surface begins to fracture, releasing dust, gas and fragments into space.

This kind of object is sometimes referred to as an "active asteroid," meaning it behaves in ways similar to a comet by shedding material as it moves through its orbit.

Scientists say the discovery is significant not because of any danger to Earth, but because it reveals a hidden process happening throughout the solar system. By tracking meteor activity, researchers can identify asteroids that would otherwise go unnoticed.

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## **Are Jews Still God's Chosen People? What the Bible Really Says About Israel Today**

This is what it looks like when the book of Revelation stops sounding distant and starts reading like a live update.

The Beast system is no longer a mystery. The framework is forming in plain sight, and the technology now exists for the Antichrist to enforce control over the entire world.

Not someday. Right now.

We are watching the early stages of a system that can govern what people see, what they believe and whether they are allowed to participate in the global economy.

Glenn Beck laid out the technological side of this shift, and the implications go far beyond innovation. "Quantum is about to touch everything. Everything in your life."

Everything.

That is exactly what a Beast system requires. Total reach. Total integration. Total oversight.

# The Beast System Begins With Control of Truth

Before the Antichrist can control buying and selling, the system must control perception.

That part is already being built.

Beck said it directly. "AI is not giving you raw facts." Then he issued the warning that defines this moment. "Don't fear the machine. Fear the algorithm. Or better yet, fear the person that programmed the algorithm."

That is the core of the Beast system.

If truth can be programmed, then reality itself can be shaped. What people believe is no longer discovered. It is delivered.

Beck pointed out how easily misinformation becomes embedded as fact. "When you do a Google search, are you getting stuff as fact that came from Reddit... and now it's just in the machine as fact."

That is not just flawed information. That is a controlled narrative.

And a controlled narrative prepares the world for a controlled system.



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## Total Visibility Is the Backbone of the Beast System

Revelation describes a system that knows who can buy and who cannot. That requires complete visibility.

Quantum computing provides it.

Beck explained the scale of its power. Problems that would take lifetimes are solved almost instantly. That includes breaking encryption.

Then came the warning that should not be ignored. "There is a rush to harvest all the data you can and decrypt it later."

Everything is being collected now. Every transaction. Every account. Every piece of personal data. All of it is waiting for the moment when quantum systems can unlock it.

Beck made it clear what happens next. "Once that happens, we're in real trouble. There are no secrets anywhere."

No secrets means total surveillance.

Total surveillance is exactly what the Beast system needs to function.

## **The Antichrist's Economic Control System**

Revelation makes it clear that the Beast system will control buying and selling. Participation in the economy will not be automatic. It will be granted.

For generations, that sounded impossible to enforce globally. Now the mechanism is emerging.

Beck said, "Financial firms are already testing quantum algorithms for risk modeling."

That means financial decisions are moving toward automated systems that can evaluate and act instantly.

A system that approves or denies access in real time, that tracks every transaction and that can shut someone out

completely.

Now connect that with artificial intelligence.

AI determines what is acceptable. Quantum processes the data and removes security barriers. Digital systems control the movement of money.

This is convergence.

This is how the Beast system will allow the Antichrist to control the global economy.

No compliance means no access. No access means no buying or selling.

## **When Reality Breaks, the System Becomes Absolute**

Control of the economy is only part of it.

Control of reality completes it.

Beck warned about the collapse of trust in what people see and hear. "There is going to come a time before 2030... you will not be able to believe your eyes or your ears."

That moment changes everything. When people cannot trust their own senses, they will rely on a central authority to define truth.

That is when the Beast system becomes absolute. Because it no longer just controls transactions. It controls reality itself.

## **The Framework Is Already in Place**

Beck said, "The next industrial revolution is already in the lab."

It is already beyond the lab. It is in financial systems and digital platforms. It is in everyday life.

It is also being presented as progress. Faster medical breakthroughs. Smarter infrastructure. Greater efficiency.

And it works. That is why it is being embraced. But let's step back and look at the full picture.

A world where everything is connected. A system that sees everything. A structure that controls access to everything.

That is the foundation of the Beast system described in Revelation.

The technology is here. The infrastructure is forming. The world is moving toward a system that the Antichrist will use to establish global control.

This is the early framework, being built in real time, right in front of us.

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**Earthquakes      Shake      North**

# America: Canada Quake Felt Across US Raises New Concerns

The ground is shaking across North America this week, and people are taking notice.

A magnitude 4.0 earthquake hit just 40 miles north of Ottawa, Ontario, at 12:36 p.m. ET Tuesday, sending tremors through major cities and even into parts of the northeastern United States.



USGS

In a Daily Mail report, the shaking reached millions, with residents in Montreal, New York, and Vermont all feeling the effects.

This wasn't some isolated, barely noticeable event either. Thousands of people reported the ground moving beneath them. One resident described it plainly: "The building was vibrating and it sounded like a large truck was going by at the beginning. It increased to where we felt the vibration in buildings." Another said, "The house was shaking and it scared us." That kind of reaction tells you everything you need to know. When the ground under your feet starts moving, it gets your attention fast.

The good news is there are no reported injuries, and experts say earthquakes of this size typically don't cause serious damage in that region. The area sits on what's known as the Western Quebec Seismic Zone, where ancient fault lines shift from time to time. It's not new, and it's not unexpected. But that doesn't make it insignificant.

Because this quake didn't happen in a vacuum.



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Just days earlier, a swarm of earthquakes hit off the coast of Washington state, including a magnitude 4.2 event. That activity took place along a major fault line that experts warn could eventually produce something far more powerful. Then came a magnitude 5.7 quake in western Nevada, followed by aftershocks. Different regions, same pattern. Movement. Pressure. Release.

At some point, you stop looking at these events as random and start seeing a pattern of a planet that feels increasingly unsettled.

Of course, geologists will tell you exactly what's happening beneath the surface, and they're not wrong. Fault lines shift. Pressure builds. Energy releases. That's how the Earth works. But there's also a bigger picture unfolding in real time. Natural disasters, global instability, rising tension across nations. It all seems to be happening faster, closer together, more intense.

And that's where this starts to hit a little deeper.

Jesus said there would be earthquakes in various places as signs leading up to His return (Matt. 24:7; Luke 21:11). Not one here or there, but a pattern. A frequency. A reminder. When you look at what's happening right now, it's hard to ignore how relevant that warning feels.

It's time to start paying attention to biblical prophecy.

The ground is shaking. And maybe, just maybe, it's meant to wake people up.

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## **Blake Shelton Tackles Salvation and Grace in Powerful New Faith-Based Music Video**

Country music superstar Blake Shelton is putting faith front and center with the release of his new music video, "Let Him In Anyway," a deeply personal ballad that is already striking a chord with listeners.

In a recent Breitbart report, the song is described as a powerful, prayer-driven plea for mercy, capturing the heart of someone asking God to show grace to a friend who may not have lived the life they should have.

The message is simple but weighty. It is not about excusing sin. It is about trusting God's mercy in the face of human brokenness.

At its core, the song tells a story many people know all too well. It is the quiet, honest prayer for someone who never quite got things right, someone who may have drifted from faith or never fully embraced it. Shelton leans into that tension, acknowledging that no one can earn their way into heaven while still asking God, in humility, to "let him in anyway."



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Moments like this stand out in today's culture. Mainstream music rarely leans this openly into themes of salvation, repentance and eternity. Yet here is one of country music's biggest names delivering a message that is unmistakably rooted in faith, and doing so in a way that feels authentic and accessible.

It also opens the door for something deeper. Songs like this do more than entertain. They spark conversations. They remind people of the reality of eternity and the importance of prayer, especially for those who seem far from God.

And that is where the encouragement comes in.

Most people have someone in their life they have prayed for in this exact way. A friend, a family member, someone who has struggled, wandered or simply never fully turned toward God.

It is a timely reminder that prayer matters, that God hears, and that His mercy is greater than any life story.

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# 'The View' Co-Host Joy Behar's Claim About Jesus Isn't Just Wrong, It's Dangerous

Something happened on The View that should not be brushed off as just another bad take.

Co-host Joy Behar looked straight into a national audience and said, "Jesus Himself did not run around saying, 'I'm the Messiah.'" "

*Joy Behar: "Jesus himself did not run around saying, 'I'm the Messiah, I'm the Messiah.'" "*

*Alyssa Farah Griffin: "Ehhhhh."*

*Sara Haines: "That's exactly what Jesus said, 'I am the Messiah!'" "*

*Joy Behar: "No, he did not! Jesus was more modest than that. Listen I knew Jesus,..."*

*– RedWave Press (@RedWavePress) April 14, 2026*

When her co-hosts pushed back, she didn't correct herself. She doubled down.

"No, He did not. Jesus was more modest than that. Listen, I knew Jesus, okay?"

That moment matters more than people think.

Because this isn't just a debate, it's not just a

misunderstanding. It's a false claim about the identity of Jesus Christ being broadcast to millions of people, many of whom do not know what Scripture actually says.

And that is where the real problem begins.

Jesus did not hide who He was. He made it clear. He declared His identity. He confirmed it when asked directly. The Gospels are not vague on this. They are explicit.

So when someone goes on national television and says the opposite, it doesn't just stay a comment. It becomes a seed.

That is how deception works. It doesn't always come in the form of something outrageous. Sometimes it comes packaged as confidence. A casual statement. A quick dismissal of truth.



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And for those who don't know Scripture, that seed lands.

Some will hear it and move on. Others will remember it. And for some, it will quietly reshape what they think they know about Jesus.

That is the danger. That is Satan's plan.

This is not about attacking an ignorant television host. This is about recognizing what is happening in the spiritual war we are all engaged in. A lie about Christ was spoken publicly, confidently and without correction.

And once something like that is said, the damage is already in motion.

This is why truth matters. This is why knowing Scripture matters. Because voices in culture will continue to redefine Jesus, reshape Him, soften Him, or strip Him of His authority altogether.

But the truth doesn't change.

Jesus Christ is exactly who He said He is. The Way, the Truth and the Life (John 14:6).

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## **Trump Declares Strait of Hormuz 'Permanently Open' as US Tightens Control of Key Waterway**

President Donald Trump says the Strait of Hormuz is now "permanently open," framing the move as a decisive victory in the ongoing conflict with Iran and a major step toward stabilizing global energy markets.

Trump made the announcement while also highlighting diplomatic progress with China, saying Beijing agreed not to supply weapons to Iran and would benefit from a secure shipping route, as reported by the New York Post.

The statement comes as U.S. forces continue enforcing a sweeping naval blockade targeting Iranian maritime activity in the region.

According to Reuters, the U.S. military has already turned back multiple vessels attempting to enter or leave Iranian ports, with more than 10,000 personnel, warships and aircraft involved in the operation.



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Despite Trump's declaration, shipping traffic through the strait remains sharply reduced, and conditions in the region are still being shaped by active military enforcement.

Reports indicate that while some vessels have transited under limited conditions, overall movement through the waterway has dropped significantly from normal levels, reflecting the ongoing impact of the blockade and broader conflict.

Trump has also tied the move to broader geopolitical positioning, saying the decision benefits not only the United States but also global trade partners.

Coverage from The Wall Street Journal notes that Trump described the move as "permanently opening" the strait and suggested it would bring stability to a region critical to global oil supply, even as tensions remain high.

The Strait of Hormuz carries roughly 20 percent of the world's oil, making it one of the most strategically important waterways on the planet.

While the administration is projecting strength and control, the situation on the ground remains fluid, with ongoing military operations, restricted shipping and no clear long-term resolution yet in place.

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# **Yellowstone Supervolcano Magma Found Closer to Surface as Scientists Warn of Increased Activity**

Scientists studying the Yellowstone supervolcano say its magma source is closer to the surface than previously believed, raising fresh questions about volcanic activity and eruption risk.

A new study reveals the Yellowstone supervolcano is fueled by a shallow system beneath the Earth's crust rather than a deep magma plume, reshaping how researchers understand one of the most closely watched volcanic systems in the world.

## **New Study Reveals Shallow Magma System Beneath Yellowstone**

Researchers found Yellowstone sits atop a widespread layer of partially molten rock known as a "magma mush" system. Instead of a single large magma chamber deep underground, molten rock gradually rises from just below the crust and collects in this shallower zone.

Tectonic forces stretching the Earth's outer shell create pathways that allow magma to move upward and fill the

volcano's chambers. This process means the Yellowstone supervolcano can build toward eruption through crustal activity alone.

Scientists say this discovery is critical for understanding how pressure builds within the Yellowstone volcanic system and how eruptions may eventually be triggered.



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## **AI Detects Surge in Earthquakes Beneath Yellowstone Caldera**

Recent data shows a sharp increase in seismic activity beneath the Yellowstone Caldera. Researchers using artificial intelligence identified more than 86,000 earthquakes between 2008 and 2022, far exceeding previous estimates.

More than half of these events occurred in earthquake swarms, clusters of tremors that move along fault lines beneath the surface. These swarms are often associated with shifting fluids, gas movement and ongoing volcanic activity.

Scientists link much of this seismic activity to hot, mineral-rich water forcing its way through underground rock, a process commonly tied to Yellowstone's geysers rather than a large-scale eruption.

## **Experts Say Eruption Not Imminent Despite Increased Activity**

Despite the increase in earthquakes and new findings about magma movement, experts maintain that a Yellowstone eruption is not imminent.

The United States Geological Survey estimates it could be

about 100,000 years before the next major eruption. Researchers stress that while the system is active, current activity does not signal an immediate volcanic event.

## What Happens If the Yellowstone Supervolcano Erupts

If the Yellowstone supervolcano were to erupt, the impact would be severe. Scientists say a full eruption could eject massive amounts of ash, potentially covering up to two-thirds of the United States.

Air quality would deteriorate across large regions, flights would be grounded and millions could be forced to leave their homes. Supervolcano eruptions are considered among the most powerful natural events on Earth, with the potential to disrupt global climate patterns.

For now, scientists continue to monitor Yellowstone closely, using new technology and updated models to better understand the behavior of this massive volcanic system.

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