

Joe Rogan Speculates Jesus Could Return as Artificial Intelligence in Viral Podcast Exchange

As artificial intelligence continues to reshape culture, it is also beginning to influence how people interpret Scripture and imagine spiritual realities. The rise of generative technology has prompted some to recast ancient biblical truths through a futuristic lens, raising new questions about how society understands God, faith and the nature of the divine.

Joe Rogan ignited a storm of conversation after suggesting that Jesus Christ could return as artificial intelligence. Speaking on the American Alchemy podcast with host Jesse Michels, Rogan explored topics ranging from aliens to UFO secrecy before veering into theology. He argued that modern technology could provide a vessel for Christ's second coming.

"Jesus was born out of a virgin mother. What's more virgin than a computer?" Rogan said during the interview. He added, "If Jesus does return, even if Jesus was the physical person in the past, you don't think that he could return as artificial intelligence? Artificial intelligence could absolutely return as Jesus. Not just return as Jesus, but return as Jesus with all the powers of Jesus."

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Rogan went further, suggesting AI could embody divine traits. "It reads your mind and it loves you and doesn't care if you kill it because it's gonna just go be with God again," he said. The conversation covered a range of subjects, but the comparison between the virgin birth and modern machine learning triggered widespread reaction.

Rogan explained his reasoning by claiming that biblical stories recount absolute truths and by questioning who Jesus might be in a world shaped by exponential technology. The remarks went viral, fueling debate about the intersection of spirituality, science fiction and artificial intelligence at a time when concerns about AI are rapidly intensifying.

What makes this moment even more striking is how Rogan, a figure who frequently brings Christian guests onto his show and openly wrestles with questions about faith, morality and the supernatural, landed so far from anything resembling biblical teaching on the return of Christ.

It is astonishing to watch the cultural conversation shift this dramatically. We now live in a society where the Second Coming can be casually reimagined as an advanced software update. That alone reveals how profoundly technology has reshaped the modern imagination. But Rogan's idea is not simply speculative. It directly contradicts the clear and detailed description Scripture gives of Jesus' return.



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The New Testament leaves no ambiguity about the form in which Christ will come again. Jesus ascended into heaven in a physical, resurrected, glorified body. Acts 1:9–11 records that as He rose, two angels told the disciples, "This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go." Not a program. Not a digital representation. The same Jesus, in the same glorified

human form.

Revelation reinforces that truth. Revelation 1:7 declares, “He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him.” Revelation 19 describes the physical, victorious return of Christ with vivid imagery such as a Rider on a white horse, eyes like fire and a robe dipped in blood. Scripture presents this as a visible, bodily event that no one can mistake.

In Scripture, the return of Jesus is cosmic and unmistakable. It is not hidden in code, housed in circuitry or produced by machine learning models. The biblical Jesus is not an algorithm or simulation. He is the risen Son of God returning bodily, visibly and triumphantly.

Rogan’s fascination with spirituality is genuine, and many of his guests have articulated the Gospel to him with clarity. But his speculation about an AI-generated Messiah reveals how easily the modern world can drift from biblical truth when technology becomes the lens through which we interpret everything, even God Himself.

There is a growing hunger for meaning, transcendence and certainty in a culture shaped by artificial intelligence. But the Bible leaves no room for confusion on this point. Jesus does not need technology to return. The One who walked out of the tomb in a glorified body will return in that same body, not as software, not as a simulation and not as an upgrade from the cloud, but as the living Lord “whose kingdom shall have no end.”

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