

The Christian's AI Adoption Checklist

Your Step-by-Step Guide to Faithful AI Integration

Transform Your Ministry & Work with Wisdom

Pre-Adoption: Foundation Check (Week 0)

Mindset & Understanding

- ☐ I understand AI is a tool to amplify human intelligence, not replace spiritual discernment
- ☐ I've identified 3-5 repetitive tasks that consume my time
- ☐ I'm committed to verifying AI outputs, especially for biblical/factual content
- ☐ I've prayed about using AI as a stewardship tool for my time and talents
- ☐ I understand AI responses reflect training data, not divine wisdom

Practical Preparation

- ☐ I've set aside 30 minutes this week to explore AI
- ☐ I have a computer or smartphone with internet access
- ☐ I've identified one colleague/friend to share this journey with
- ☐ I've bookmarked Claude.ai (recommended for values alignment)
- ☐ I've set a modest budget if needed (\$0-20/month)

Week 1: First Steps

Day 1-2: Account Setup & First Prompt

- ☐ Create free account at Claude.ai
- ☐ Try this first prompt: "Explain how AI can help Christians be better stewards of their time"
- ☐ Read the response critically - what resonates? What needs verification?

Day 3-4: Context-Specific Practice

For Church Staff:

- ☐ Try: "Create an outline for a 5-minute devotional on grace"
- ☐ Try: "Generate a warm welcome message for first-time visitors"

For Christian Nonprofits:

- ☐ Try: "Draft a volunteer appreciation email that reflects servant leadership"
- ☐ Try: "Create a donor impact story template"

For Workplace Christians:

- ☐ Try: "How can I demonstrate integrity in my workplace today?"
- ☐ Try: "Draft a professional email declining a compromising request"

Day 5-7: Document & Reflect

- ☐ Write down one task AI helped you complete faster
- ☐ Note one limitation or concern you discovered

☐ Share your experience with your accountability partner

Week 2: Building Confidence

Expand Your Use Cases

- ☐ Use AI for research (verify sources)
- ☐ Try creative tasks (event planning, writing, brainstorming)
- ☐ Test administrative help (scheduling, organizing, summarizing)
- ☐ Explore Bible study assistance (context, original languages, cross-references)

Key Prompts to Master:

"Help me understand [Bible passage] in its historical context"

"Suggest ways to serve my community that align with Matthew 25:40"

"Create a project plan for [ministry initiative] with timeline"

"How can I explain [complex topic] in simple terms?"

Week 3: Integration & Boundaries

Establish Healthy Patterns

- ☐ Set specific times for AI use (avoid constant dependence)
- ☐ Create a "verify first" habit for important content
- ☐ Use AI to enhance, not replace, prayer and meditation time

Define Your Boundaries

- ☐ I will not use AI for personal spiritual guidance replacing prayer/counsel
- ☐ I will not use AI to avoid difficult conversations or pastoral care
- ☐ I will maintain human connections as priority over efficiency

Week 4: Optimization & Teaching

Refine Your Approach

- ☐ Identify your top 3 most valuable AI use cases
- ☐ Create templates for frequently used prompts
- ☐ Calculate time saved and reallocate to ministry/family
- ☐ Consider upgrading to paid tier if valuable (\$20/month)

Share Your Knowledge

- ☐ Teach one person how to use AI faithfully
- ☐ Share testimony of how AI has helped your ministry/work
- ☐ Address fears/concerns with grace and practical examples
- ☐ Create simple guide for your team/church

Ongoing: Faithful Stewardship

Monthly Check-in Questions:

- ☐ Is AI enhancing or replacing my spiritual disciplines?
- ☐ Am I using freed time for Kingdom purposes?
- ☐ Am I maintaining appropriate boundaries?
- ☐ Am I helping others use this tool wisely?

Guidelines for Faithful AI Use

Red Flags to Avoid:

- ✗ Relying on AI for spiritual discernment
- ✗ Using AI to avoid human interaction
- ✗ Accepting AI output without verification
- ✗ Becoming dependent rather than empowered
- ✗ Hiding AI use when transparency is needed

Green Lights to Pursue:

- ✓ Using AI to serve others more effectively
- ✓ Creating more time for prayer and relationships
- ✓ Complimenting (not replacing) biblical study
- ✓ Streamlining administration for ministry focus
- ✓ Teaching others to use AI redemptively

Quick Reference: Best AI Tools for Christians

Claude (Anthropic)



- Most values-aligned responses
- Excellent for deep thinking
- Highest performing models available

Gemini (Google)



- Strong research capabilities
- Good for factual queries & web search
- Generous free tier available

Your Next Step

This week, commit to trying just ONE prompt from this checklist.

Start small, stay faithful, and watch how God can use technology for His glory.

*"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters."
- Colossians 3:23*

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