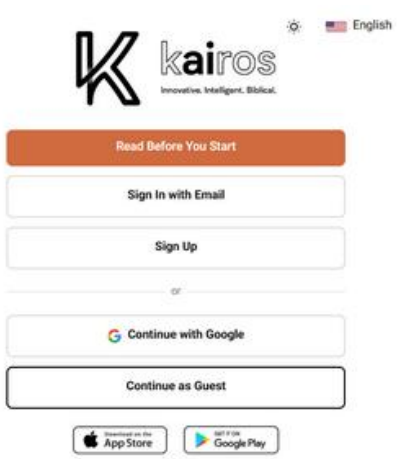
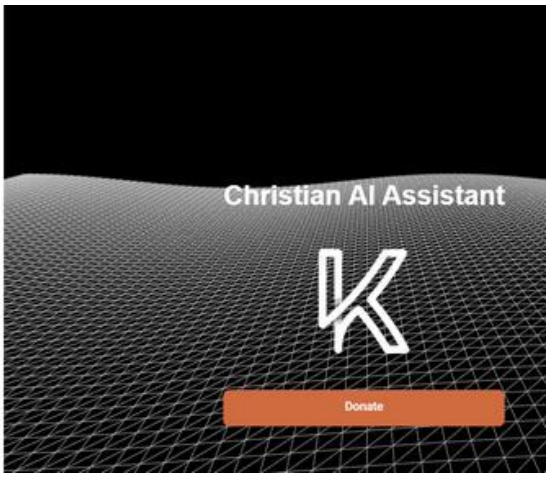
Using Artificial Intelligence in Bible Study Development

You might know of Artificial Intelligence resources such as chatgpt.com, Gemini, Claude, Duck.ai, or Copilot. I've used some of these and have received pretty good results. But like you, I'm aware that they might not give results that are always evangelical Christian in focus.

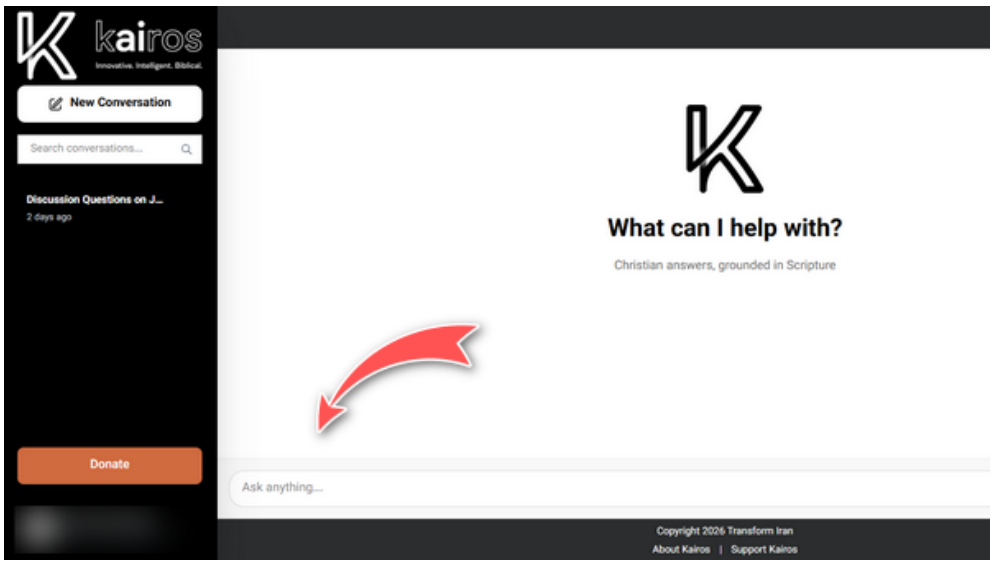
Recently one of the folks who use the lessons I post recommended a Christian oriented AI chat program: Kairos.





It's easy to sign up or, if you prefer, use it as a "guest".

So … how do you actually "use" AI to help develop a Discussion style Bible study?



AI chat programs usually start out like this. They have a dialog box inviting you to "Ask anything".

Suppose you are preparing a discussion style lesson based on John 17:1-5 with the emphasis on the concept of "Obedient Surrender." Simply type that in and ask for discussion questions that would bring out that idea. I know it's not a person, but I like to thank the program (it often responds with some expression of appreciation).



Within a few seconds, the program responds with enough questions that you will be able to pick and choose the ones you think fit best. Also, I occasionally reword a question to fit the lesson better.

Here's the results Kairos gave for the questions I asked for above.

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Discussion Questions: "Obedient Surrender" in John 17:1–5

Observation and Understanding

1. What do you notice about Jesus' relationship with the Father in this passage?
2. What does Jesus ask the Father to do, and how would this request ultimately glorify the Father?
3. According to verse 4, how does Jesus describe His earthly mission?
4. What does Jesus' prayer reveal about His awareness of the cross and what lay immediately ahead?
5. In what ways is Jesus' surrender active rather than passive?
6. How do verses 1–5 show that obedience and glory are connected?
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7. Jesus speaks of having completed the work the Father gave Him, even as the cross is still before Him. What does this teach us about faithful obedience?

Exploring Obedient Surrender

1. How would you define "obedient surrender" from Jesus' example in this passage?
2. Why is surrender to God sometimes misunderstood as weakness, inactivity, or defeat?
3. What is the difference between surrendering to God's will and simply giving up?
4. What did obedience cost Jesus? What may it cost us?
5. How does Jesus' confidence in the Father help Him face suffering and sacrifice?
6. Why is it important that Jesus' purpose was not self-glory, but the Father's glory?
7. What might change in our choices if glorifying God became our highest aim?

Personal Application

1. Is there an area of your life where you know God's will but are resisting surrender? What makes surrender difficult there?
2. Are there desires, plans, relationships, habits, fears, or ambitions that you need to place under Christ's authority?
3. How can we discern the difference between God's call to obedience and our own preferences or fears?
4. What does it look like to obey God before we know every outcome?
5. When has obeying God brought difficulty but also deeper peace, spiritual fruit, or a clearer testimony?
6. What practical step of obedience is the Lord calling you to take this week?
7. How can prayer help us move from anxious control to trusting surrender?

8. Who in your life could encourage and hold you accountable as you seek to obey Christ?

Closing Reflection

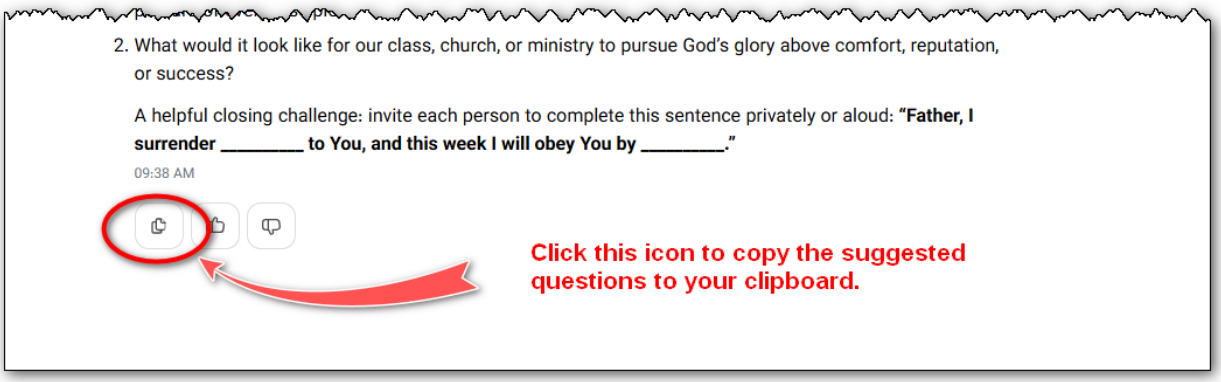
1. If Jesus, the eternal Son, willingly surrendered to the Father's will, what does that reveal about the proper posture of every disciple?
2. What would it look like for our class, church, or ministry to pursue God's glory above comfort, reputation, or success?

A helpful closing challenge: invite each person to complete this sentence privately or aloud: **"Father, I surrender _____ to You, and this week I will obey You by _____."**

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Note at the bottom of its output, it has an icon which allows you to copy the responses to your system's clipboard so you can insert it into a working document (which is what I just did here).



Other AI programs will work in a very similar manner. If you try others, you will probably see some differences in the questions it generates and find some difference (better or just OK) in results.

In putting together this document, I asked Google for opinions of Kairos. In its AI mode, Google gave an overview of Kairos AI. Ironically, it's AI evaluating AI. 😉

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Kairos Chat is a specialized, biblically-based AI assistant designed for Christian discipleship, Bible study, and answering spiritual or life questions. [1, 2]

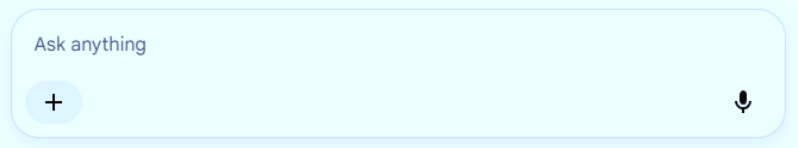
User Ratings and Reviews

- **App Store Rating:** Roughly **4.8 out of 5 stars**. [1]
- **Biblical Focus:** Users on the Apple App Store praise the app for offering grounded, scripture-based answers that make it useful for devotional reading and tackling difficult personal or spiritual topics. [1]
- **Interface Complaints:** A few reviewers note minor usability quirks, such as the question input window being a bit small and blocking the send button for longer prompts instead of scrolling properly. [1]

Background and Purpose

- **Development:** Developed in connection with Christian ministry efforts (such as Transform Iran and the Porpasokh Apologetics Center), the foundation of the tool relies on a curated dataset of scripture and thousands of apologetics and theological research articles. [1]
- **Multilingual Scope:** It is built to support a large number of languages to aid believers and seekers globally, including in regions where traditional Christian resources may be restricted. [1]
- **Mixed Cultural Reception:** While many Christians embrace the tool as a helpful digital shepherd or study aid, some traditional believers remain cautious of using artificial intelligence for spiritual guidance, questioning whether a secular medium can accurately handle sacred truth. [1]

Would you like to know more about **how Kairos Chat was trained** or compare it to **other AI Bible study tools**?



My experience in using Artificial Intelligence is mostly positive. Unfortunately it can be used in some negative ways. One must use good judgment in what ways you use any technology.