



## We Are as Gods

A Survival Guide for the Age of Abundance  
(Exponential Technology Series)

by Peter H. Diamandis, Steven Kotler



---

Non-Fiction - Cultural

320 Pages

Reviewed on 03/01/2026

---

## Book Review

**Reviewed by Jamie Michele for Readers' Favorite**

In *We Are as Gods: A Survival Guide for the Age of Abundance*, Peter H. Diamandis and Steven Kotler revisit an assertion that humanity is acquiring powers once reserved for the divine and test that claim against measurable technological capability. Beginning with the early space age and the dawn of computing, they track how exponential advances in artificial intelligence, biotechnology, and energy systems are redefining what is materially possible. The book positions AI as both a catalyst and a coordinator of accelerating domains, shaping medicine, manufacturing, and planetary management. Alongside these changes, the authors examine how a mind evolved for scarcity responds to abundance and what governance structures must adapt as machine intelligence increases. The result is a forward-looking examination of whether emerging tools expand human agency or outpace it.

Peter H. Diamandis and Steven Kotler's *We Are as Gods* brilliantly takes the 1968 idea that humans are picking up godlike abilities and then actually measures it against real life. I wasn't completely sold initially, but became hooked as soon as they started to reference miracles from scripture and then line those up next to contemporary capabilities, like retinal implants that help the visually impaired see again. The timing of the book is on point, and the writing is academic but accessible, so even those who are less inclined to understand tech feel included. This is amplified by the fact that most readers will have used a lot of the tech themselves. The standout to me is the explanation of how the brain predicts patterns to save energy, which then transitions into the well-known reality that most of us outsource basic memory to search engines. Overall, this is an excellent book for readers curious about artificial intelligence, biomedical breakthroughs, science policy, or big entrepreneurial ideas, giving us a front row seat to what humans are building next.