


Driver Outcomes in Collapse

List your six key drivers of change in the left column. In the right column, describe in 1-2 sentences what that driver looks like in collapse.

YOUR DRIVERS		Collapse <i>one to two sentences</i>
1	Losing Our Religion	The flight from Christianity accelerates as inertia no longer favors light or default attachment to religion and cultural support evaporates. Islam, Buddhism, and Hinduism make slight gains, but a large majority don't identify with any traditional religion.
2	Culture War Blues	The religious Right no longer has enough supporters to prevail in nearly any institution, state, or city, and the Left takes the opportunity to exact retribution. This creates a deep sense of victimhood and leads to violent confrontations.
3	Prophets of Profit	Corporations fill the gap in meaning by trying to become the main source of identity and existential meaning for workers. This makes layoffs and unemployment significantly more traumatic, and leads to a decline in pro-social values.
4	Just the Good Parts	The collapse of traditional religion leads to people mostly withdrawing from any sense of unchosen community, and charitable contributions fall by 80% to near-European levels, but without an increase in social programs. As a result, the poor become more desperate.
5	Religious Weirding	People trying to opt out of traditional religion, consumption, or political identification as a source of meaning are increasingly drawn into predatory cults, further fraying the social fabric.
6	Spiritual Machines	Corporate brand concerns make it so mainline AI won't discuss religion, and open-source AI is used largely for groups to automate religious arguments at scale.

Summarize Transformation Future

Fill out the right column according to the instructions in the left column.

FUTURE OF <i>Add title of your project (including year). E.g. Future of Public Health in 2035</i>	Future of Religion in the US
SCENARIO TITLE <i>Fun/memorable name of your scenario</i>	Things Fall Apart
THIS IS A WORLD IN WHICH... <i>3-4 sentences that highlight the key elements of the scenario</i> <i>HINT: This should be more than just a restating of the driver outcomes - what does the world look like when these drivers interact?</i>	The loss of Christianity as a common cultural reference point leaves mostly capitalism to fill in the gap. This gives corporations more power and influence but also erodes much of the invisible safety net that was protecting their workers from problems like loneliness, hunger, and homelessness. Traditional religion gives negative social cachet, so people revert to more tribal forms of cultural identity.
WHALE <i>Can you identify the "whale" of the system that runs this scenario?</i> <i>Hint: The Whale is the biggest influence on the system. Your world needs this ____ for the rest to happen</i>	 The whale is the collapse of Christian affiliation without anything taking its place. The vacuum it leaves is the source of most of the rest.
CLIENT PERSPECTIVE <i>What's your immediate feeling on how your client will react to this scenario?</i>	This is almost Young Adult Dystopian Novel bad, but it also isn't that far off from baseline.