

The UN 2030 Agenda vs. The Word of God: A Detailed Point-by-Point Biblical Critique

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Preamble: Two Incompatible Foundations

The UN 2030 Agenda opens with a declaration of breathtaking scope:

"This Agenda is a plan of action for people, planet and prosperity... We are determined to take the bold and transformative steps which are urgently needed to shift the world onto a sustainable and resilient path... The future of humanity and of our planet lies in our hands."

The Christian faith begins in an entirely different place. Scripture declares that the future of humanity lies not in human hands, but in the sovereign hands of Almighty God. The very premise of Agenda 2030 — that man, through collective global action, can save himself and his planet — is a direct contradiction of the foundational truth of the Gospel.

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end." — Jeremiah 29:11 (KJV)

"There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." — Proverbs 14:12 (KJV)

The conflict is not merely political. It is theological. What follows is a systematic, point-by-point examination of every major declaration of the 2030 Agenda against the standard of the Word of God.

Part 1: The Preamble — "A Plan of Action for People, Planet and Prosperity"

Conflict 1.1 — Man as Saviour of the World

The UN Declares (Preamble):

"We are resolved to free the human race from the tyranny of poverty and want and to heal and secure our planet."

The Biblical Standard:

The Bible teaches that the world's fundamental problem is not poverty or environmental degradation — it is **sin**. Man cannot heal himself or his planet. Only God can. The declaration that "we" will "heal and secure our planet" is a usurpation of God's role as Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer of creation.

"For the creation was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope, Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God." — Romans 8:20-21 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: Creation groans under the curse of sin (Romans 8:22) and awaits God's redemption, not man's sustainable development plans. The promise to "heal and secure" the planet through human collective action is a direct contradiction of God's sovereign plan for creation's ultimate restoration through Jesus Christ.

Conflict 1.2 — "The Future of Humanity Lies in Our Hands"

The UN Declares (Paragraph 53):

"The future of humanity and of our planet lies in our hands. It lies also in the hands of today's younger generation who will pass the torch to future generations."

The Biblical Standard:

This statement is the clearest expression of secular humanism in the entire document. It directly contradicts the biblical truth that the future of humanity lies in God's hands alone.

"The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD, as the rivers of water: he turneth it whithersoever he will." — Proverbs 21:1 (KJV)

"A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps." — Proverbs 16:9 (KJV)

"For I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me, Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure." — Isaiah 46:9-10 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: To declare that the future lies "in our hands" is to dethrone God and enthrone man. This is the spirit of the Tower of Babel (Genesis 11:4) — the ancient human project of building a self-sufficient civilization without God. It is the foundational lie of secular humanism.

Conflict 1.3 — "Mother Earth" as a Shared Home

The UN Declares (Paragraph 59):

"We reaffirm that planet Earth and its ecosystems are our common home and that 'Mother Earth' is a common expression in a number of countries and regions."

The Biblical Standard:

The use of the term "Mother Earth" is not merely cultural — it is a theological statement. It attributes maternal, quasi-divine qualities to the earth itself, reflecting animistic and pantheistic worldviews that are explicitly condemned in Scripture.

"Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen." — Romans 1:25 (KJV)

"The earth is the LORD's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein." — Psalm 24:1 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: The earth is not our "Mother" — it is God's creation, entrusted to man's stewardship (Genesis 1:28). Calling the earth "Mother Earth" subtly introduces a pagan, creation-worshipping worldview that Scripture explicitly identifies as idolatry.

Part 2: The Vision (Paragraphs 7–9) — "A World Transformed"

Conflict 2.1 — A World Free of Fear and Violence Through Human Effort

The UN Declares (Paragraph 7):

"We envisage a world free of poverty, hunger, disease and want, where all life can thrive. We envisage a world free of fear and violence."

The Biblical Standard:

The Bible explicitly teaches that lasting peace — freedom from fear and violence — cannot be achieved by human governance or global institutions. It is the exclusive gift of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." — John 14:27 (KJV)

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end." — Isaiah 9:6-7 (KJV)

"And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever." — Isaiah 32:17 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: True, lasting peace is the fruit of righteousness, which flows from a right relationship with God through Jesus Christ. The UN's vision of a world free from fear through global governance is a counterfeit peace — one that bypasses the only true source of peace. Scripture warns that declarations of "peace and safety" without God precede sudden destruction (1 Thessalonians 5:3).

Conflict 2.2 — "Universal Respect for Human Rights and Human Dignity" Without God

The UN Declares (Paragraph 8):

"We envisage a world of universal respect for human rights and human dignity, the rule of law, justice, equality and non-discrimination... A just, equitable, tolerant, open and socially inclusive world in which the needs of the most vulnerable are met."

The Biblical Standard:

Human dignity is a genuinely biblical concept — every person is made in the *imago Dei* (image of God). However, the UN's framework of "human rights" is grounded not in God's law but in humanistic legal instruments. This creates a system of rights that can be redefined by consensus to include things God explicitly forbids (such as abortion as a "right," or same-sex relationships as a "right").

"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them." — Genesis 1:27 (KJV)

"There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy." — James 4:12 (KJV)

"We ought to obey God rather than men." — Acts 5:29 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: When human rights are defined by human consensus rather than by God's law, they become infinitely malleable. The "inclusive" world the UN envisions requires the legal acceptance of practices that God's Word calls sin. True human dignity flows from being made in God's image — not from a UN declaration.

Conflict 2.3 — "Humanity Lives in Harmony with Nature"

The UN Declares (Paragraph 9):

"One in which humanity lives in harmony with nature and in which wildlife and other living species are protected."

The Biblical Standard:

The Bible establishes a clear hierarchy: God created man to have *dominion* over nature, not to live in subjugation to it. The concept of "harmony with nature" as a supreme value elevates the creation above the Creator's mandate to man.

"And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth." — Genesis 1:28 (KJV)

"Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet." — Psalm 8:6 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: Man is God's steward of creation, not creation's servant. The eco-centric worldview embedded in Agenda 2030 progressively restricts human activity in the name of "harmony with nature," inverting the God-ordained order of creation.

Part 3: Shared Principles (Paragraphs 10–13) — Grounded in Human Instruments, Not God's Law

Conflict 3.1 — The Universal Declaration of Human Rights as the Foundation

The UN Declares (Paragraph 10):

"The new Agenda is guided by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations... It is grounded in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, international human rights treaties..."

The Biblical Standard:

The Christian faith is grounded in the Word of God — not in human declarations, however well-intentioned. When a global agenda explicitly states that its foundation is a human document rather than God's law, it has already placed itself in opposition to the first commandment.

"Thou shalt have no other gods before me." — Exodus 20:3 (KJV)

"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." — 2 Timothy 3:16 (KJV)

"For the LORD is our judge, the LORD is our lawgiver, the LORD is our king; he will save us." — Isaiah 33:22 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: A global governance framework grounded in human declarations rather than God's law is, by definition, a rival authority to God. The UDHR includes provisions that directly contradict Scripture, including the "right" to change one's religion (Article 18, which forbids apostasy laws — but also implicitly normalises abandonment of the faith) and the progressive expansion of "rights" to include abortion and LGBTQ+ identities.

Conflict 3.2 — The Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD)

The UN Declares (Paragraph 11):

"We reaffirm the outcomes of all major UN conferences and summits... These include... the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development, the Beijing Platform for Action..."

The Biblical Standard:

The ICPD Programme of Action (Cairo, 1994) and the Beijing Platform for Action (1995) are the primary UN instruments that established "reproductive rights" — including abortion — as a global standard. By reaffirming these documents, Agenda 2030 explicitly endorses abortion as a human right.

"For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made." — Psalm 139:13-14 (KJV)

"Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee." — Jeremiah 1:5 (KJV)

"These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood." — Proverbs 6:16-17 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: The reaffirmation of ICPD and Beijing means Agenda 2030 is built on a foundation that includes the shedding of innocent blood as a "right." This is not a peripheral issue — it is an abomination explicitly listed among the things God hates.

Part 4: Key Declarations (Paragraphs 20–36) — The Heart of the Conflict

Conflict 4.1 — Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (Paragraph 20)

The UN Declares:

"Realizing gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls will make a crucial contribution to progress across all the Goals and targets... Women and girls must enjoy equal access to quality education, economic resources and political participation as well as equal opportunities with men and boys for employment, leadership and decision-making at all levels."

The Biblical Standard:

The Bible affirms the equal dignity and worth of men and women before God (Galatians 3:28). However, Scripture also establishes distinct, complementary roles for men and women in the family and the church — roles that the UN's "gender equality" framework explicitly seeks to dismantle as forms of "discrimination."

"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them." — Genesis 1:27 (KJV)

"But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God." — 1 Corinthians 11:3 (KJV)

"Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church." — Ephesians 5:22-23 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: The UN's "gender equality" agenda does not merely seek to protect women from genuine injustice — it seeks to eliminate the God-ordained distinction between male and female roles. It treats the biblical family structure as a form of oppression to be dismantled by law and policy. Furthermore, the term "gender equality" in UN documents is consistently linked to the broader "gender identity" ideology that denies the biological and spiritual reality of male and female as fixed, God-created categories.

Conflict 4.2 — Universal Access to Sexual and Reproductive Health (Paragraph 26)

The UN Declares:

"We are committed to ensuring universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services, including for family planning, information and education."

The Biblical Standard:

"Sexual and reproductive health-care services" is the UN's established diplomatic language for abortion, contraception, and sterilisation — including for minors, without parental consent. This is not a matter of interpretation; it is extensively documented in UN agency publications (UNFPA, WHO, UNICEF).

"Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward." — Psalm 127:3 (KJV)

"Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them." — Psalm 139:16 (KJV)

"And thou shalt not let any of thy seed pass through the fire to Molech." — Leviticus 18:21 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: The sacrifice of children to Molech was one of the most severe abominations in the Old Testament. The modern equivalent — the systematic termination of unborn children as a "health service" — is no less an abomination in God's sight. The universal mandate for "reproductive health" services is a global programme for the shedding of innocent blood, funded by taxpayers and imposed on communities regardless of their religious convictions.

Conflict 4.3 — Changing Consumption and Production Patterns (Paragraph 28)

The UN Declares:

"We commit to making fundamental changes in the way that our societies produce and consume goods and services."

The Biblical Standard:

God commands man to be a wise steward of creation (Genesis 2:15). However, the "sustainable consumption" agenda is used in practice to justify state control over what people eat, how they travel, how many children they have, and what energy sources they use — all in the name of "saving the planet."

"Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy." — 1 Timothy 6:17 (KJV)

"Ecclesiastes 5:19: Every man also to whom God hath given riches and wealth, and hath given him power to eat thereof, and to take his portion, and to rejoice in his labour; this is the gift of God." — Ecclesiastes 5:19 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: God gives man the freedom to enjoy the fruits of his labour. The "sustainable consumption" mandate is a mechanism for the state to override individual freedom, restrict private property, and control the most intimate aspects of daily life — including diet, energy use, and family size.

Conflict 4.4 — Climate Change as the Greatest Challenge (Paragraph 31)

The UN Declares:

"We are determined to address decisively the threat posed by climate change and environmental degradation... We note with grave concern the significant gap between the aggregate effect of Parties' mitigation pledges in terms of global annual emissions of greenhouse gases by 2020 and aggregate emission pathways consistent with having a likely chance of holding the increase in global average temperature below 2°C or 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels."

The Biblical Standard:

The Bible teaches that God, not man, controls the climate and the seasons. He established an unbreakable covenant after the flood that the fundamental cycles of the earth would not cease until He Himself brings all things to their appointed end.

"While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease." — Genesis 8:22 (KJV)

"He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth: his word runneth very swiftly. He giveth snow like wool: he scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes. He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who can stand before his cold? He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he causeth his wind to blow, and the waters flow." — Psalm 147:15-18 (KJV)

"Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power." — Hebrews 1:3 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: The climate change narrative of Agenda 2030 is built on the premise that man's industrial activity is catastrophically altering God's creation — and that only global governance can

save the planet. This is a direct contradiction of God's covenant in Genesis 8:22 and His declaration that He upholds all things by the word of His power. It is also the primary engine for the transfer of national sovereignty to global institutions, the imposition of carbon taxes, and the dismantling of affordable energy — policies that disproportionately harm the poor.

Conflict 4.5 — "Inter-Cultural Understanding, Tolerance, and Global Citizenship" (Paragraph 36)

The UN Declares:

"We pledge to foster inter-cultural understanding, tolerance, mutual respect and an ethic of global citizenship and shared responsibility. We acknowledge the natural and cultural diversity of the world and recognize that all cultures and civilizations can contribute to, and are crucial enablers of, sustainable development."

The Biblical Standard:

The Christian faith does not teach that "all cultures and civilizations" are equally valid contributors to human flourishing. Many cultures and civilizations are built on practices that Scripture explicitly condemns — including child sacrifice, sexual immorality, idol worship, and oppression of the weak. The demand for "tolerance" of all cultures, when applied consistently, requires the silencing of the Christian witness that some things are objectively sinful.

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." — John 14:6 (KJV)

"For there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." — Acts 4:12 (KJV)

"And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them." — Ephesians 5:11 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: The "global citizenship" ethic requires Christians to treat all worldviews as equally valid — which is a direct denial of the exclusive claims of Jesus Christ. Furthermore, the demand for "tolerance" in practice means the legal suppression of Christian witness on issues such as sexual morality, abortion, and the uniqueness of Christ. It is the framework by which biblical truth is classified as "hate speech."

Part 5: The 17 Goals — A Summary of Biblical Conflicts

The following table provides a concise summary of the biblical conflict with each of the 17 SDGs, with the key Scripture reference.

SDG	Goal	Core Biblical Conflict	Key Scripture
1	No Poverty	Poverty has spiritual roots; man cannot end it before Christ's return. The church, not the UN, is God's instrument for the poor.	Deuteronomy 15:11; Matthew 26:11
2	Zero Hunger	God is the ultimate provider. "Sustainable agriculture" mandates are used to control food supply and promote unnatural food sources.	Matthew 6:31-33; Psalm 37:25
3	Good Health	"Reproductive health" = abortion and contraception mandated globally. Attacks the sanctity of life from conception.	Psalm 139:13-16; Proverbs 6:17
4	Quality Education	"Global citizenship" curriculum usurps parental authority. CSE indoctrinates children with gender ideology without parental consent.	Proverbs 22:6; Deuteronomy 6:6-7
5	Gender Equality	Deconstructs God's created order of male and female. Treats biblical family structure as oppression.	Genesis 1:27; 1 Corinthians 11:3
6	Clean Water	Risk of commodifying God's freely given provision; global control over water resources.	Matthew 5:45; Isaiah 55:1
7	Clean Energy	Dismantles reliable energy (fossil fuels God placed in the earth) in favour of expensive alternatives. Harms the poor.	Genesis 1:28; Psalm 24:1
8	Decent Work	"Inclusive growth" = socialist redistribution. Suppresses individual enterprise and rewards dependency.	2 Thessalonians 3:10; Proverbs 10:4
9	Infrastructure	"Smart" infrastructure = digital surveillance. Echoes the Tower of Babel and the mark of the beast.	Genesis 11:4; Revelation 13:17
10	Reduced Inequality	Institutionalises envy as state policy. Forces equal outcomes, not equal opportunity before God.	Exodus 20:17; Leviticus 19:15
11	Sustainable Cities	"15-minute cities" threaten private property and free movement. Forced urbanisation.	Micah 4:4; 1 Kings 4:25
12	Responsible Consumption	State control over diet, energy, family size, and lifestyle. Denies God's abundant provision.	1 Timothy 6:17; Ecclesiastes 5:19
13	Climate Action	Man does not control the climate — God does. Built on fear, not faith. Primary engine for global control.	Genesis 8:22; Hebrews 1:3
14	Life Below Water	Eco-centric worldview elevates marine life above human livelihoods. Inverts God's created order.	Psalm 8:6-8; Genesis 1:28
15	Life on Land	"30x30" land lock-away. Pantheistic worship of creation over Creator. Attacks private property.	Romans 1:25; Genesis 2:15

SDG	Goal	Core Biblical Conflict	Key Scripture
16	Peace & Justice	Global monopoly on justice without God's law. "Inclusive" societies legally require acceptance of sin.	Isaiah 9:6-7; Acts 5:29
17	Partnerships	Blueprint for one-world government. Surrenders national sovereignty to unelected global bodies.	Acts 17:26; Revelation 17:12-13

Part 6: The Deepest Conflict — Salvation by Works vs. Salvation by Grace

The most fundamental conflict between Agenda 2030 and the Christian faith is not found in any specific goal or target. It is found in the document's closing declaration:

The UN Declares (Paragraph 50):

"We can be the first generation to succeed in ending poverty; just as we may be the last to have a chance of saving the planet."

The Biblical Standard:

This statement encapsulates the entire spirit of Agenda 2030: man, through collective effort, can save himself and his world. This is salvation by works — the oldest and most persistent heresy in human history.

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." — Ephesians 2:8-9 (KJV)

"Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the LORD shall have them in derision." — Psalm 2:1-4 (KJV)

"And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever." — Daniel 2:44 (KJV)

Why it conflicts: The Bible is unambiguous: no human generation will "end poverty" or "save the planet" through collective action. The world will not be transformed by the SDGs. It will be transformed by the return of Jesus Christ, who alone has the authority and power to make all things new (Revelation 21:5). Agenda 2030 is, at its core, a rival eschatology — a secular vision of the end of history in which man, not God, brings about the new world order.

Conclusion: The True Agenda Behind the Agenda

The UN 2030 Agenda is not merely a policy framework. It is a **spiritual declaration** — a comprehensive statement of faith in the religion of secular humanism. It declares:

- That man, not God, is the measure of all things.
- That the world's problems are structural, not spiritual.
- That salvation comes through global governance, not through Jesus Christ.
- That human rights are defined by consensus, not by God's law.
- That all cultures and worldviews are equally valid — except those that claim exclusive truth.
- That the future lies in human hands, not in God's sovereign will.

Every one of these declarations is a direct contradiction of the Word of God. The Christian response is not passive acceptance, nor is it merely political opposition. It is the bold proclamation of the true Gospel:

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek." — Romans 1:16 (KJV)

"Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." — John 3:3 (KJV)

The only agenda that will truly transform the world is the Kingdom of God — established not by human resolution, but by the sovereign grace of Jesus Christ, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

"For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen." — Matthew 6:13 (KJV)

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