

MORNING BRIEF

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BHAGAVAD GITA — VERSE 1.5 (5/12)

*dhrishtaketushchekitanah kashirajashcha viryavan
purujit kuntibhojashcha shaibyashcha narapungavah*

Dhrishtaketu, Chekitana, the valiant king of Kashi, Purujit, Kuntibhoja, and Shaibya — all are great warriors.

Righteousness attracts allies. When you stand for what is right, others naturally align with your cause.

LAW 5: SO MUCH DEPENDS ON REPUTATION – GUARD IT WITH YOUR LIFE (5/48)

Reputation is the cornerstone of power. Through reputation alone you can intimidate and win. Once it slips, you are vulnerable and will be attacked on all sides.

PAUL GRAHAM — CRAZY NEW IDEAS (53/97)

When someone proposes a crazy-sounding new idea, most people's instinct is to look for reasons it won't work. But the most important ideas in history sounded crazy when first proposed. The right approach: instead of asking 'is this right?', ask 'what if this is right?' Temporarily suspend disbelief and explore the implications. You can always go back to skepticism, but you can't discover breakthroughs while in dismiss mode.

When you encounter a surprising idea, resist the urge to immediately debunk it. Instead, spend five minutes exploring what would be true if the idea were right. The most valuable insights hide behind ideas that initially seem wrong.

paulgraham.com/newideas.html

GIFT NIFTY 22,874.00 +441.50 (+1.97%)

Gap from NIFTY close: **+543 pts** (+2.43%)

INDIAN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
NIFTY 50	22,331.40	-488.20	-2.14%
Sensex	71,947.55	-1,635.67	-2.22%
Bank NIFTY	50,275.35	-1,999.25	-3.82%
India VIX	27.89	+1.09	+4.07%

FII / DII Flows

	NET (CR)
FII / FPI	-11,163
DII	+14,895

India Market Mood: **15** (Extreme Fear)

US & GLOBAL MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
S&P 500	6,528.52	+184.80	+2.91%
Nasdaq	21,590.63	+795.99	+3.83%
Dow Jones	46,341.51	+1,125.37	+2.49%
S&P Futures	6,585.75	+197.50	+3.09%
Nikkei 225	52,919.65	+1,033.80	+1.99%
Hang Seng	24,750.79	-201.09	-0.81%

US Fear & Greed: **15** (extreme fear)

COMMODITIES & FOREX

ASSET	PRICE	CHANGE	%
US 10Y Yield	4.31	-0.03	-0.71%
Gold	4,725.90	+199.90	+4.42%
Silver	75.06	+4.73	+6.73%
Crude Oil	102.69	-0.19	-0.18%
USD/INR	93.44	-0.92	-0.97%

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- GIFT Nifty trading above prev NIFTY close by 543 pts (+2.43%) — signals a gap-up open.
- NIFTY dropped -2.14% — heavy selling.
- India VIX at 27.9 — elevated volatility, be cautious with position sizing.
- FII sold 11,163 Cr, DII bought 14,895 Cr — domestic absorbing foreign outflows.
- Wall Street closed strong (S&P +2.91%) — positive cue for Asian markets.
- S&P futures pointing higher (+3.09%).
- Gold up +4.42% at \$4,726.
- Rupee strengthened to 93.44 — possible FII inflow signal.

CRYPTO

COIN	PRICE	24H
BTC	\$68,011.00	+0.50%

Fear & Greed Index: **8** (Extreme Fear)

- BTC consolidating around \$68,011.
- Fear & Greed at 8 (Extreme Fear) — historically a good accumulation zone.

HACKER NEWS

1. **Claude Code's source code has been leaked via a map file in their NPM registry**

https://xcancel.com/Fried_rice/status/2038894956459290963 Related ongoing thread: The Claude Code Source Leak: fake tools, frustration regexes, undercover mode -...

1885 pts · 925 comments

2. **Axios compromised on NPM – Malicious versions drop remote access trojan**

StepSecurity is hosting a community town hall on this incident on April 1st at 10:00 AM PT - Register Here. axios is the most popular JavaScript HTTP client library with over 100 million weekly downloads.

1777 pts · 718 comments

3. **Oracle slashes 30k jobs**

828 pts · 738 comments

4. **Artemis II is not safe to fly**

“Our test facilities can’t reach the combination of heat flux, pressure, shear stresses, etc., that an actual reentering spacecraft does.

804 pts · 550 comments

5. **The Claude Code Source Leak: fake tools, frustration regexes, undercover mode**

Update: see HN discussions about this post: <https://news.ycombinator.com/item?id=47586778> I use Claude Code daily, so when Chaofan Shou noticed earlier today that Anthropic had shipped a .map file alongside their Claude Code npm package, one...

753 pts · 321 comments

MARKET NEWS

Global Market Today | Asian stocks jump on Iran war offramp, oil steady

Equities in Japan, South Korea and Australia rose, sending the broader MSCI Asia Pacific Index up 2.4%.

US Stock Market | Wall Street soars as traders bet on potential war off-ramp

The month-long conflict has left the S&P 500 and the Dow with their deepest quarterly declines since 2022 as investors worry that a wave of higher fuel costs could hurt demand for goods and services, while forcing the U.S.

Rupee tops Asia’s worst performers list with 9.9% slide in FY26

Yen Second Worst-performing This is after the local currency touched a record low of 95.22/\$ amid consistent dollar demand throughout the year.

FII exodus hits record Rs 1.6 lakh crore in FY26 despite strong DII cushion

For overseas buyers, Indian risk assets in FY26 appeared to have been caught in the perfect storm due to the Iran conflict, a lingering uncertainty on tariffs, relatively expensive valuations, an AI-led decline in the business prospects of a...

Stocks in news: IndiGo, Sammaan Capital, Bharti Airtel, GRSE, Coforge

In today's trade, shares of IndiGo, Sammaan Capital, Bharti Airtel, GRSE, Coforge among others will be i focus due to various news developments.

CRYPTO NEWS

Bitcoin enters the public bond market as Moody’s gives a first-of-its-kind crypto deal a rating

Bitcoin enters the public bond market as Moody’s gives a first-of-its-kind crypto deal a rating A New Hampshire state authority is set to issue a first-of-its-kind bitcoin-backed bond with a Ba2 rating, marking an early test of how crypto can...

What's next after bitcoin's historic underperformance stretch against stocks

What's next after bitcoin's historic underperformance stretch against stocks With a few hours to go, bitcoin has tumbled 22% in the first quarter, following a 25% drop in the last quarter of 2025.

Clarity Act ‘not a gatekeeper’ for crypto innovation, WisdomTree exec says

Clarity Act ‘not a gatekeeper’ for crypto innovation, WisdomTree exec says The asset manager says innovation can proceed under current SEC rules as the Clarity Act faces debate in Congress.

The post-quantum transition can’t be postponed any longer

The post-quantum transition can't be postponed any longer Google's new research potentially puts the entire bitcoin supply – and the very foundation of digital trust – at risk, explains Pruden.

Bitcoin, stocks rise, oil slides, after report of Iran's willingness to end conflict

Bitcoin, stocks rise, oil slides, after report of Iran's willingness to end conflict Iran's President Masoud Pezeshkian said the country is prepared to end the conflict if it receives security guarantees.

TECH & STARTUPS

Toyota's Woven Capital appoints new CIO and COO in push for finding the 'future of mobility'

Sometimes, Michiko Kato thinks back on the great challenges of her life. She once dropped everything in her native city of Tokyo to attend Harvard Business School in Massachusetts.

Anthropic is having a month

Anthropic has built its public identity around the winning idea that it's the careful AI company.

Salesforce announces an AI-heavy makeover for Slack, with 30 new features

Salesforce, the cloud software giant, has been remaking its business around AI, and at a small gathering in San Francisco on Tuesday, CEO Marc Benioff and his team unveiled the latest results of those efforts: an updated version of Slack, with a...

Robotaxi companies refuse to say how often their AVs need remote help

In February, Senator Ed Markey (D-MA) sent letters to seven U.S. companies working on autonomous vehicle technology with a list of questions.

OpenAI, not yet public, raises \$3B from retail investors in monster \$122B fund raise

OpenAI has closed a deal to raise \$122 billion at an \$852 billion valuation, its largest funding round to date as the company is expected to hit the public markets this year.

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