

MORNING BRIEF

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BHAGAVAD GITA — VERSE 1.10 (10/12)

*aparyaptam tadasmakam balam bhishmabhirakshitam
paryaptam tvidameteṣham balam bhimabhirakshitam*

Our army, protected by Bhishma, is unlimited, whereas the army of the Pandavas, protected by Bhima, is limited.

Numbers don't determine outcomes; conviction does. Quality of commitment trumps quantity of resources.

LAW 10: INFECTION: AVOID THE UNHAPPY AND UNLUCKY (10/48)

You can die from someone else's misery—emotional states are as infectious as diseases. The unfortunate sometimes draw misfortune on themselves; they will also draw it on you. Associate with the happy and fortunate instead.

PAUL GRAHAM — NOVELTY AND HERESY (58/97)

Novel ideas and heretical ideas are different things, though they can overlap. Novelty means seeing something others haven't; heresy means disagreeing with conventional wisdom. The most valuable ideas are novel without being heretical — they don't contradict existing beliefs, they reveal something genuinely new. Being contrarian for its own sake is not the same as discovering something original.

Don't confuse being contrarian with being original. The goal is to discover truth, not to disagree with the mainstream. Some conventional wisdom is conventional because it's right. Focus on finding what's genuinely new, not on opposing what's popular.

paulgraham.com/nov.html

GIFT NIFTY 22,640.00 -65.00 (-0.29%)

Gap from NIFTY close: **-73 pts** (-0.32%)

INDIAN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
NIFTY 50	22,713.10	+33.70	+0.15%
Sensex	73,319.55	+185.23	+0.25%
Bank NIFTY	51,548.75	+100.10	+0.19%
India VIX	25.52	+0.51	+2.04%

FII / DII Flows

	NET (CR)
FII / FPI	-9,931
DII	+7,208

India Market Mood: **26** (Fear)

US & GLOBAL MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
S&P 500	6,582.69	+7.37	+0.11%
Nasdaq	21,879.18	+38.23	+0.18%
Dow Jones	46,504.67	-61.07	-0.13%
S&P Futures	6,608.75	-13.50	-0.20%
Nikkei 225	53,673.44	+549.95	+1.04%
Hang Seng	25,116.53	-177.50	-0.70%

US Fear & Greed: **19** (extreme fear)

COMMODITIES & FOREX

ASSET	PRICE	CHANGE	%
US 10Y Yield	4.31	-0.01	-0.14%
Gold	4,650.70	-0.80	-0.02%
Silver	72.19	-0.54	-0.74%
Crude Oil	112.65	+1.11	+1.00%
USD/INR	92.67	-0.30	-0.33%

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- GIFT Nifty trading below prev NIFTY close by 73 pts (-0.32%) — signals a gap-down open.
- NIFTY ended flat (+0.15%) — range-bound session.
- India VIX at 25.5 — elevated volatility, be cautious with position sizing.
- FII sold 9,931 Cr, DII bought 7,208 Cr — domestic absorbing foreign outflows.
- Rupee strengthened to 92.67 — possible FII inflow signal.

CRYPTO

COIN	PRICE	24H
BTC	\$68,928.00	+2.64%

Fear & Greed Index: **13** (Extreme Fear)

- BTC grinding up +2.6% — healthy trend continuation.
- Fear & Greed at 13 (Extreme Fear) — historically a good accumulation zone.

HACKER NEWS

1. **The threat is comfortable drift toward not understanding what you're doing**

The machines are fine. I'm worried about us. Imagine you're a new assistant professor at a research university.

818 pts · 557 comments

2. **Caveman: Why use many token when few token do trick**

why use many token when few do trick Install • Benchmarks • Before/After • Intensity Levels • Why A Claude Code skill/plugin and Codex plugin that makes agent talk like caveman — cutting ~75% of tokens while keeping full technical accuracy.

693 pts · 313 comments

3. **Eight years of wanting, three months of building with AI**

For eight years, I've wanted a high-quality set of devtools for working with SQLite. Given how important SQLite is to the industry¹, I've long been puzzled that no one has invested in building a really good developer experience for it².

604 pts · 193 comments

4. **Gemma 4 on iPhone**

AI Edge Gallery is the premier destination for running the world's most powerful open-source Large Language Models (LLMs) on your mobile device.

402 pts · 99 comments

5. **Artemis II crew see first glimpse of far side of Moon [video]**

'Absolutely spectacular': Artemis II crew see first glimpse of far side of Moon The crew for Nasa's Artemis II mission have described seeing the far side of the Moon for the first time.

402 pts · 308 comments

MARKET NEWS

Oil prices rise as US-Israeli war with Iran continues to disrupt supply

Brent crude futures rose \$1.71, or 1.6%, to \$110.74 a barrel by 0057 GMT. U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude futures gained \$0.71, or 0.6%, to trade at \$112.25 per barrel.

Global Market Today: Oil gains as Trump escalates threats, Asian stocks waver

Brent rose 1.9% to trade above \$111 a barrel, as Trump renewed threats early Sunday to attack Iranian infrastructure if the key energy-shipping route through the Strait of Hormuz remains closed.

Bank stocks' \$95 billion rout may deepen on macro risks

The Reserve Bank of India's defense of a record-low rupee has constrained its ability to inject liquidity, tightening financial conditions that are likely to weigh on banks over the coming quarters.

Oversold market spurs selective buying as analysts eye breakout stocks

BULLISH BETS TITAN COMPANY Change in Open Interest in April Series: 0.8% Change in price in April Series: 3.7% RATIONALE: Strong rollover into the April series, along with a lower roll cost of 0.31% (from 0.68%), shows traders are willing to pay to...

Stocks in news: HDFC Bank, RBL Bank, Dabur, Tata Motors PV, Tata Steel

In today's trade, shares of HDFC Bank, RBL Bank, Dabur, Tata Motors PV, Tata Steel among others will be in focus due to various news developments and fourth quarter updates.

CRYPTO NEWS

A simple explainer on what quantum computing actually is, and why it is terrifying for bitcoin

A simple explainer on what quantum computing actually is, and why it is terrifying for bitcoin Most simplifies the complex process of quantum computing as "it can be 0 and 1 at the same time." That is not an explanation for why it threatens Bitcoin.

Polymarket pulls controversial Iran rescue markets after intense backlash

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Bitcoin is now front-running the Fed rather than reacting to it. ETFs are the cause

Bitcoin is now front-running the Fed rather than reacting to it. ETFs are the cause Bitcoin's correlation with global central bank easing has turned strongly negative since 2024, suggesting BTC now leads rather than lags monetary policy signals.

AI is making crypto's security problem even worse, Ledger CTO warns

AI is making crypto's security problem even worse, Ledger CTO warns Ledger's Charles Guillemet says artificial intelligence is making hacks cheaper and faster, forcing a rethink of how crypto systems stay secure.

Drift says \$270 million exploit was a six-month North Korean intelligence operation

Drift says \$270 million exploit was a six-month North Korean intelligence operation Attackers posed as a trading firm, met Drift contributors in person across multiple countries, deposited \$1 million of their own capital, and waited half a year...

TECH & STARTUPS

Polymarket took down wagers tied to rescue of downed Air Force officer

A Democratic congressman had harsh criticism for Polymarket for allowing users to bet on the date the United States would confirm the rescue of Air Force service members shot down over Iran.

Copilot is 'for entertainment purposes only,' according to Microsoft's terms of use

AI skeptics aren't the only ones warning users not to unthinkingly trust models' outputs — that's what the AI companies say themselves in their terms of service.

As people look for ways to make new friends, here are the apps promising to help

In recent years, people have been increasingly looking for new ways to form platonic connections, as loneliness and social isolation have become more prevalent. In 2023, the U.S.

TechCrunch Mobility: 'A stunning lack of transparency'

Welcome back to TechCrunch Mobility — your central hub for news and insights on the future of transportation. To get this in your inbox, sign up here for free — just click TechCrunch Mobility!

Can orbital data centers help justify a massive valuation for SpaceX?

SpaceX has reportedly filed confidential paperwork for an initial public offering in which the company would raise \$75 billion at a \$1.75 trillion valuation. And according to CEO Elon Musk, orbital data centers will be a big part of SpaceX's future.
