

MORNING BRIEF

Friday, 01 May 2026

BHAGAVAD GITA — VERSE 1.11 (11/12)

*ayaneṣhu cha sarveṣhu yathabhagamavasthitah
bhishmamevabhirakṣhantu bhavantah sarva eva hi*

Therefore, all of you must give full support to Grandsire Bhishma, standing at your respective positions in the army formation.

Over-reliance on a single person or factor creates vulnerability. Build systems and teams with distributed strength, not single points of failure.

LAW 35: MASTER THE ART OF TIMING (35/48)

Never seem to be in a hurry—hurrying betrays a lack of control over yourself and over time. Always seem patient, as if you know that everything will come to you eventually. Become a detective of the right moment.

PAUL GRAHAM — WHEN TO DO WHAT YOU LOVE (83/97)

The question isn't whether to do what you love, but when. Sometimes you need to take a pragmatic job to build financial stability, learn skills, or figure out what you actually love. The mistake is treating the pragmatic phase as permanent. Set a deadline. Use the pragmatic phase deliberately — to save money, build skills, explore interests — and then make the leap. The other mistake: waiting too long for 'perfect conditions' that never arrive.

Be strategic about timing. It's okay to spend a few years building stability and skills before pursuing your passion — but set an explicit deadline and use that time deliberately. The biggest regret is not that people pursued their passion too early, but that they waited forever.

paulgraham.com/when.html

GIFT NIFTY 24,348.50 +201.50 (+0.83%)

Gap from NIFTY close: **+351 pts** (+1.46%)

INDIAN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
NIFTY 50	23,997.55	-180.10	-0.74%
Sensex	76,913.50	-582.86	-0.75%
Bank NIFTY	54,863.35	-540.25	-0.98%
India VIX	18.46	+1.02	+5.85%

FII / DII Flows

	NET (CR)
FII / FPI	-8,048
DII	+3,487

India Market Mood: **64** (Greed)

US & GLOBAL MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHANGE	%
S&P 500	7,209.01	+73.06	+1.02%
Nasdaq	24,892.31	+219.07	+0.89%
Dow Jones	49,652.14	+790.33	+1.62%
S&P Futures	7,259.50	+91.50	+1.28%
Nikkei 225	59,563.02	+278.10	+0.47%
Hang Seng	25,776.53	-335.31	-1.28%

US Fear & Greed: **67** (greed)

COMMODITIES & FOREX

ASSET	PRICE	CHANGE	%
US 10Y Yield	4.39	-0.03	-0.63%
Gold	4,626.30	+81.10	+1.78%
Silver	74.58	+3.01	+4.21%
Crude Oil	105.95	-0.93	-0.87%
USD/INR	94.88	-0.04	-0.04%

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- GIFT Nifty trading above prev NIFTY close by 351 pts (+1.46%) — signals a gap-up open.
- NIFTY slipped -0.74% — mild selling pressure.
- India VIX at 18.5 — moderate zone.
- FII sold 8,048 Cr, DII bought 3,487 Cr — domestic absorbing foreign outflows.
- Wall Street closed strong (S&P +1.02%) — positive cue for Asian markets.
- S&P futures pointing higher (+1.28%).
- Gold up +1.78% at \$4,626.

CRYPTO

COIN	PRICE	24H
BTC	\$76,499.00	+0.23%

Fear & Greed Index: **26** (Fear)

- BTC consolidating around \$76,499.
- Fear & Greed at 26 (Fear) — sentiment cautious.

HACKER NEWS

1. Claude Code refuses requests or charges extra if your commits mention "OpenClaw"

<https://xcancel.com/theo/status/2049645973350363168>

945 pts · 532 comments

2. **Belgium stops decommissioning nuclear power plants**

Belgium stops decommissioning nuclear power plants 30.04.2026, 11:37 Uhr Belgium will stop decommissioning its nuclear power plants, Prime Minister Bart De Wever announced on Thursday.

749 pts · 690 comments

3. **Mozilla's opposition to Chrome's Prompt API**

- Notifications You must be signed in to change notification settings - Fork 81 Prompt API #1213 Copy link Copy link Open Labels Description Specification title Prompt API Specification or proposal URL (if available) No response Explainer URL (if..

592 pts · 217 comments

4. **Rivian allows you to disable all internet connectivity**

Can I disable all data collection from my vehicle? Vehicle connectivity is a core feature of Rivian vehicles.

477 pts · 178 comments

5. **How Mark Klein told the EFF about Room 641A [book excerpt]**

423 pts · 126 comments

MARKET NEWS

Global Market Today: S&P 500 index futures rise on earnings, Yen gains

Contracts for the S&P 500 Index rose 0.2% and those for the tech-heavy Nasdaq 100 climbed 0.1% after the underlying gauges closed at all-time highs on Thursday, following solid earnings from tech megacaps. Apple Inc.

Bajaj Auto board to consider share buyback on May 6

The proposed buyback, if approved, would mark yet another significant capital allocation to its shareholders. This will be the second such move by the maker of Pulsar and Discover motorcycles in two years.

The rupee at record low will end India's cheap-money era

India's challenge is similar to Japan's, where the yen slid past the 160 mark against the dollar to its weakest level since 2024.

Apple sales forecast beats Wall Street expectations, shares rise

Apple executives said they expect sales growth of 14% to 17% in the current fiscal third quarter, which was above Wall Street estimates of 9.5% growth to \$102.93 billion, according to data from LSEG.

Metals, PSU banks drag markets down amid currency weakness and global uncertainty

Still, stocks advanced the most in April in 28 months after March had seen the biggest foreign fund exit in history. Broadest gauges fell up to 1.6% intraday before some short covering left them 0.8% lower at close.

CRYPTO NEWS

U.S. senators won't be weighing in on prediction markets bets after banning themselves

U.S. senators won't be weighing in on prediction markets bets after banning themselves The Senate agreed unanimously to revise its rules to ban members and their staffs from wagers on prediction markets platforms. What to know: - The U.S.

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Senator Warren questions Commerce Secretary Lutnick on Tether loan to family

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A Polymarket-linked bet on the weather in France forecasts a major data issue

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Gemini eyes prediction market challenge to Kalshi, Polymarket, secures derivatives license; shares surge

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TECH & STARTUPS

As Tim Cook steps down, Apple hit record sales — but a chip shortage looms

Apple reported a record quarter on Thursday. Yet outgoing CEO Tim Cook warned of some gathering storm clouds in the form of memory chip supply issues that could impact business in the near future.

Y Combinator alum Skio sells for \$105M cash, only raised \$8M, founder says

Skio, a 2020 Y Combinator alum that was founded by self-described college dropout Kennan Frost, has been acquired by competitor Recharge, the companies announced on Thursday.

Sources: Anthropic potential \$900B+ valuation round could happen within 2 weeks

Anthropic is asking investors to submit allocations for the AI company's latest fundraise within the next 48 hours, according to sources familiar with the matter.

Apple was surprised by AI-driven demand for Macs

Apple's iPhone sales and Services revenue were the stars of the show in the tech giant's most recent quarter, but the Mac quietly outperformed — helped by growing demand for AI workloads.

Legal AI startup Legora hits \$5.6B valuation and its battle with Harvey just got hotter

Nvidia has laid a new brick in its AI empire. NVentures, its corporate VC fund, has backed Legora, reportedly its first legal AI investment.