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| generate_assets | <i>Generate missing visual assets with a user-supplied LLM or image API</i> |
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### Description

Looks for missing favicon, Apple touch icon, and share image fields in meta and asks a caller-supplied generator function to create them. shinyseo does not call any image-generation service itself – generator is the caller’s own function, written against whatever LLM or image-generation API they already have access to (OpenAI, Adobe Firefly, a local model, and so on). This keeps the package free of any particular vendor’s dependencies, API keys, formats, or running costs – the caller’s function is the only thing that needs to know which service it is talking to.

### Usage

```
generate_assets(
  meta,
  generator,
  path = "www",
  assets = c("favicon", "apple_touch_icon", "image")
)
```

### Arguments

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| meta      | Either a path to a YAML file or a named list, as for social_meta().  |
| generator | A function taking (prompt, kind) and returning either a raw vector of image bytes or a path to an image file on disk. kind is one of "favicon", "apple_touch_icon", or "image", so the same generator can vary size, aspect ratio, or style depending on what is being made. |
| path      | Directory to write generated files into. Defaults to "www", matching write_manifest().   |
| assets    | Character vector naming which fields to fill in if missing. Defaults to all three: c("favicon", "apple_touch_icon", "image").  |

### Value

The updated meta list, with newly generated fields set to paths under path (e.g. "/favicon.png"). Fields already present in meta are left untouched. Write the result back with yaml::write\_yaml() to persist it.

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`init_meta`*Interactively create a metadata YAML file*

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### Description

Walks through the fields used by `social_meta()` and `write_manifest()` at the console and writes the answers to a YAML file. Meant as a quick on-ramp so new users can get a working `meta.yml` without first reading the field reference.

### Usage

```
init_meta(path = "meta.yml")
```

### Arguments

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| <code>path</code> | File to write the metadata to. Defaults to "meta.yml". If the file already exists, its current values are shown as defaults — press Enter on any field to keep what's already there. |
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### Value

The path to the written file, invisibly.

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`openai_image_generator`*Build a generator that calls OpenAI's image API*

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### Description

Returns a function suitable for the generator argument of `generate_assets()`. The returned function calls OpenAI's image generation endpoint and hands back the raw image bytes, so `generate_assets()` can write them straight to disk.

### Usage

```
openai_image_generator(  
  api_key = Sys.getenv("OPENAI_API_KEY"),  
  model = "gpt-image-1"  
)
```

### Arguments

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| <code>api_key</code> | OpenAI API key. Defaults to the <code>OPENAI_API_KEY</code> environment variable. |
| <code>model</code>   | OpenAI image model to call. Defaults to "gpt-image-1".                            |

**Details**

This is the only built-in generator shinyseo ships. It exists because OpenAI's image API is a straightforward fit for the job – one endpoint, one request shape, raster images back. Other providers are welcome as community contributions (see LLM.md); shinyseo does not bundle a generator for every LLM vendor, only ones that can actually generate images and pull their weight as a built-in.

Calling this function does not make any network request – it only builds and returns the generator. The 'httr' package is required, but only loaded (via requireNamespace()) when you call this constructor, so it costs nothing if you never use OpenAI generation.

**Value**

A function function(prompt, kind) that POSTs to <https://api.openai.com/v1/images/generations> and returns the generated image as a raw vector of bytes.

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| social_meta | <i>Inject social metadata into Shiny UI</i> |
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**Description**

Inject social metadata into Shiny UI

**Usage**

```
social_meta(meta)
```

**Arguments**

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| meta | Either a path to a YAML file or a named list. The final metadata must include title, description, url, and image. |
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**Details**

If meta is a character string, it is treated as a YAML file path and read with `yaml::read_yaml()`. Set `schema = FALSE` to suppress JSON-LD output. `bing_site_verification` falls back to `SHINYSEO_BING_SITE_VERIFICATION` when that environment variable is set. `twitter_site` and `twitter_creator` fall back to `SHINYSEO_TWITTER_SITE` and `SHINYSEO_TWITTER_CREATOR` when those environment variables are set. The helper does not emit a `<title>` tag; set the document title in the app UI so it does not clash with an existing Shiny title. If `favicon` points to an SVG, also set `favicon_png` to a PNG fallback (e.g. 32x32) – Chromium-based browsers' address bar does not render SVG favicons and shows a generic globe icon without one. `favicon_png_sizes` overrides the `sizes` attribute (defaults to "32x32"). Set `apple_mobile_web_app_capable = TRUE` to let the app run in standalone mode when added to a phone's home screen (emits `apple-mobile-web-app-capable` and `mobile-web-app-capable`). `apple_mobile_web_app_title` sets the name shown under the home screen icon, and `apple_mobile_web_app_status_bar` controls the iOS status bar appearance. Optional verification fields include `bing_site_verification`, `google_site_verification`, `yandex_site_verification`, `baidu_site_verification`, `naver_site_verification`, `facebook_domain_verification`, and `pinterest_domain_verification`.

**Value**

A `shiny::tags$head()` fragment containing canonical, Open Graph, Twitter Card, and optional schema.org metadata.

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| update_meta | <i>Reactively update social metadata from the server</i> |
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**Description**

Call this inside a Shiny server function to update one or more metadata fields after the page has loaded — for example when the user navigates between tabs or routes. Only the fields you supply are changed; all others stay at whatever value `social_meta()` set at startup.

**Usage**

```
update_meta(  
  session,  
  title = NULL,  
  description = NULL,  
  url = NULL,  
  image = NULL  
)
```

**Arguments**

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| <code>session</code>     | The Shiny session object passed to server.   |
| <code>title</code>       | New page title. Also updates <code>og:title</code> and <code>twitter:title</code> .              |
| <code>description</code> | New description. Also updates <code>og:description</code> and <code>twitter:description</code> . |
| <code>url</code>         | New canonical URL. Also updates <code>og:url</code> and <code>twitter:url</code> .               |
| <code>image</code>       | New share image URL. Also updates <code>og:image</code> and <code>twitter:image</code> .         |

**Value**

Called for its side-effect; returns `invisible(NULL)`.

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| write_manifest | <i>Write a web app manifest to the Shiny www directory</i> |
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### Description

Generates a **Web App Manifest** (`manifest.json`) and writes it to `www/` so Shiny can serve it at `/manifest.json`. Call this once in `global.R` before the app starts.

### Usage

```
write_manifest(  
  meta,  
  path = "www",  
  display = "standalone",  
  start_url = "/",  
  background_color = NULL  
)
```

### Arguments

|                               |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| <code>meta</code>             | Either a path to a YAML file or a named list. The same object you pass to <code>social_meta()</code> works here.   |
| <code>path</code>             | Directory to write <code>manifest.json</code> into. Defaults to <code>"www"</code> relative to the working directory.  |
| <code>display</code>          | Browser display mode. One of <code>"standalone"</code> , <code>"fullscreen"</code> , <code>"minimal-ui"</code> , or <code>"browser"</code> . Defaults to <code>"standalone"</code> . |
| <code>start_url</code>        | Start URL passed to the manifest. Defaults to <code>"/"</code> .   |
| <code>background_color</code> | Background colour shown on the splash screen while the app loads. Defaults to <code>theme_color</code> when set, otherwise <code>"#ffffff"</code> .                                  |

### Details

Reference `manifest.json` from the UI by passing `manifest = "/manifest.json"` to `social_meta()`.

### Value

The path to the written file, invisibly.

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