Chapter 22

Brave New World of Technology

Questions for Discussion and Reflection

1. What do you see as the biggest technology issue on the horizon? Why?
2. Do you expect AI to be primarily a great benefit to society or an "existential risk"? Why?
3. What ethical issues might accompany expanded use of AI?
4. What restrictions, if any, would you place on general AI development?
5. Do you expect to see "fully conscious AI"? Why or why not?
6. What differences do you see between humans and computers?
7. What comprises the essence of being human?
8. In what ways are humans superior to computers?
9. How could AI be used for helping the needy or for spreading the Gospel?
10. What impacts do you expect from widespread use of robotics in industry?
11. What issues do you see with household robots? Robot assistants? Robot companions?
12. What are the ethical issues with robotic warfare?
13. What are the Biblical difficulties with transhumanism?
14. Do you expect to see brains uploaded to computers? Why?
15. Where should we draw the line on modifying humans?