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A Christian Field Guide to Technology for Engineers and Designers

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For Christians studying and working in engineering, computer science, technical design, architecture, and related fields, this book is packed with wisdom and practical guidance. By sharing what they have learned, the authors encourage readers to ask harder questions, aspire to more noble purposes, and live a life consistent with their faith as they engage with technology.

For Christians in the Field of Technology

Why did you decide a book like this was needed in the world of technology?

Ethan J. Brue, Derek C. Schuurman, Steve H. VanderLeest: We have met many students as well as practicing Christian engineers who struggle with engaging their faith in the world of technology. This book comes out of a desire to share insights and help equip people to live faithfully in a technological society.

Christians often have an ambivalence about technology, with no clear connection to their faith. At the same time, Christians experience how faith fundamentally influences other aspects of our lives, including our marriages, families, work, and daily worship. This book seeks to show practically how faith also influences how we responsibly navigate the modern technological world.

What is the message you hope to convey in A Christian Field Guide to Technology for Engineers and Designers?

Ethan, Derek, and Steve: If you think technology is devoid of faith, think again. Engineering has always been a cultural activity with religious implications; its direction is set by the human heart. Developing and using technology is one way we love God and our neighbor, and more fully witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ for the entire world. This book will offer some biblical principles to guide the use and design of technology for all Christians, particularly those working in technology.

What makes this book especially unique compared to other books about technology?

Ethan, Derek, and Steve:

- Many books about perspectives on technology are written by philosophers, theologians, or social scientists. One distinctive feature of this book is that it is written by engineers for engineers and includes practical guidance for navigating the landscape (as one might find in other kinds of field guides).
- Our book not only engages the issue of technology use but also the topic of technology design.
- We connect biblical and philosophical principles to practical considerations in technology.



