Technology is often seen as a compass of society. It tells the past, dictates the present, and writes the future of that society. Many people, including me, believe that there is a specific type of people that take charge in technological advancement. However, ordinary citizens, with proper tools, can absolutely join in the technological advancement of a society. Those ordinary citizens just do not know where to start.

The same can be said when I was discerning to join the tech workforce. I did not know where and how to start. Coming from a Psychology background, I have always thought I was called to help people navigate through their lives in therapy. One could say I was zoned in in this mission throughout my life. However, it is true that I have hit a brick wall, mentally and physically. I was out of motivation to attempt my master’s degree, and the job outlook for a graduate with just a bachelor’s looked bleak. I have jumped from industry to industry but to no avail. I was indeed looking at coding bootcamps in the past such as Coding Dojo’s, but the saturation of information intimidated me and discouraged me to look further. Feeling lost, I often turned to God to help me find the direction of my life. One Saturday morning, after a round of golf, my uncle told me about his friend’s son who graduated Coding Dojo’s program. At that point, I knew that it was time to give Coding Dojo a real legitimate chance.

There is no doubt that I will learn a lot in this coding bootcamp. Once completed, there is also no doubt that I will have a positive impact in my community. My cultural background as a Korean American taught me a lot being born and raised in the United States. I learned that there are both advancements and shortcomings in the community. My newly learned knowledge in the tech field will help advance Korean American internet infrastructure to make their lives seamless and effortless. I will build stronger connectivity among us, to create stronger community. I will create what is needed and manage what is needing management. I will bridge the gap between the internet and the elderly Korean Americans.

There is also a chance that I will not be able to work to the betterment of my community. Nonetheless, I will do what is asked of me, to create a harmonious workspace environment and community. I will put my name on the technological advancement movement.