Reading Questions: Article 2 Kalin Johnson

Summarize the Article:

Humanity should use God's gift of creativity to develop and use new technologies and tools that improve human flourishing and decrease suffering while as acknowledging that technology will not fulfill our ultimate needs.

Summarize the Verses:

Despite the fact that we have fallen short of the glory of God, we are still called to love God and love our neighbor. We have been filled with the Spirit of God, which guides us in understanding and skills, and this helps us artistically construct pieces that glorify God and remind us there are no other gods before Him. Both paragraphs of the article reflect the verses and point out both our fallen nature and our redemption through God.

What are general thoughts?

I think it is good for the article to acknowledge that God gave humanity creative minds and the ability to innovate. We need to put those gifts to use to make a positive impact on other people and the rest of creation. I think technology is a tool that can be used both to uphold human dignity and tear it down depending on who is wielding it. We can use it on our journey to fulfill our call to steward the earth, and I have seen that accomplished in a variety of ways such as medical, farming, and ministry applications.

Do you agree with everything?

I agree with most of the article, including everything stated in the first paragraph. The author addresses human nature and how AI can fit into our world. I'm not sure on how the author is defining morally neutral, so I am unsure on whether I agree with that sentence. The final sentence reiterates some key ideas from the first article, which are important to remember.

Do you have any additions or changes to this article?

I was not sure why the authors decided to include the first verse on the list, which was Genesis 2:25. It felt out of place compared to the other verses listed and the topics discussed in the article. I would have replaced it with a different passage that more closely relates to the topic being discussed. For example, I think the parable of the talents, which can be found in Matthew 25:14-30, would have made more sense in the context of the article. God has given us creativity, and we should not hide out abilities and ideas away. Instead, we should use them to love our neighbors and glorify God.

Do you have any additional questions?

Why does the article deny that the use of AI is morally neutral? I may be using a different definition of morally neutral, but I understand the term to mean something that isn't inherently morally good or bad. In the next sentence, the author states that AI is not worthy of man's hope, worship, or love, but those are not consequences of something that is morally neutral. Putting these sentences together makes it seem like AI is morally bad, which I don't think is the case.