

The Ultimate Purpose

34. ...It is not enough to increase the general fund of wealth and then distribute it more fairly. It is not enough to develop technology so that the earth may become a more suitable living place for human beings.

1. **Privacy / Ownership:** Even if individuals sign a disclosure agreement and receive compensation for collected data, it does not waive the ethical obligations of the “owners” to appropriately utilize and monitor the sharing of insights
2. **Care:** Focus should not only be on profits and wealth distribution, but consideration for the well-being of the individuals, whom the data was collected on, should be given as well
3. **Articulation:** At what expense to privacy are we creating a more suitable living space and who determines that it is more suitable? A clear message of what data is being collected and for what purpose is necessary

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34. The mistakes of those who led the way should help those now on the road to development to avoid certain dangers. The reign of technology—technocracy, as it is called—can cause as much harm to the world of tomorrow as liberalism did to the world of yesteryear.

1. Catholic Liberalism ~ Relativism, idea that when aspects of the church clash with society, they should change
2. Does changing the world, society, or our ethics to conform with capabilities or advancements in technology pose risks?
3. Relates to themes of:
 - a. Identity
 - b. Ownership
 - c. CST - Dignity of the Human Person

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34. Economics and technology are meaningless if they do not benefit man, for it is he they are to serve. Man is truly human only if he is the master of his own actions and the judge of their worth, only if he is the architect of his own progress. He must act according to his God-given nature, freely accepting its potentials and its claims upon him.

1. CST's concept of Subsidiarity - "Since the order of things is to be subordinate to the order of persons" - not the other way around"
- Vatican II
2. **Identity and Reputation** - Our data and algorithms may dictate our potential as humans, should one man judge another's potential based upon algorithms?
3. **Privacy and Ownership** - Is man truly human if he does not control his own data, and thus judge the data's worth vs. subjugation to another man?