

Risks of technology

Audience Member:

One of the things that we talk about is all of this innovation and change and new technologies, ect. What I see is a whole lot of risk. I mean, I think about how the iPhone has changed my life, but I can only remember like two phone numbers right now. When I was growing up I probably knew 100 phone numbers by heart. And if I lost my phone, my god, if I can't get a hold of my husband, I am lost. I don't know, I know my address. It's just that everything is so instant and easy, just press a button. You don't even have to remember what your product is called on Amazon, you've got easy buttons.

And then you think about everything is technology, the risk of hacking, and all our private information, and everyone living together. We've got these mega cities. That's great, but what a huge risk; to attack one area and a 3rd of your whole economy is gone. So, I think we need to embrace change but still understand that it is a huge risk.

Brandon Carson's Response:

It is really a good point, because there is an infrastructure issue, right? Like, I don't know how it is in Minneapolis, but the lights will go out in Atlanta, Georgia pretty quick. I mean, the lights just go out, and then they come right back on. And I'm thinking, everything in my house is connected. I've got 55 of those smart lightbulbs in my house, and the power goes out at 3 in the morning, you don't know it. What do they call it called? Fluctuations? Whenever the power goes out while you're sleeping. But with those Philips Hue smart bulbs when the power comes back on, they all come on! At the brightest lumens known to God It's 3 o'clock in the morning and you're like...so yes. Although that's not really the type of risk you are talking about [laughter].