

Text N°4: Is Science a Blessing or a Curse?

A very common debate which is being done in almost all the sectors and phases of life is that whether science is a blessing or a curse. By saying science in this sense we mean the modern technology and the advancements which are being done in the field of science so far. To this question there is a very simple and accurate answer which states that everything has its good and bad points as it depends on its usage, same is the case with science and modern technology. Science is obviously a blessing which has improved the living of the people and has increased the awareness amongst the mankind regarding the various energies and technologies around them but it depends on the nature of the usage of science as it can be a curse if it is intended to be used in the negative way.

The major example of this statement is the usage of Atomic energy which is also known as nuclear energy. It is a great invention of science and is helpful in more than one way. The atomic energy can be used as the alternative to the traditional energy sources like coal and gas. At the same time it can be used to produce electricity. But if man intends to use it negatively then it can be a curse and destructive for the human beings. The example of this destruction is what the USA did with Nagasaki and Hiroshima by attacking with nuclear bombs which totally finished the life of every living thing on this portion of the world. Using science in this manner is surely the course for the human being. Computer and the Internet are some of the most significant and helpful inventions of science which have reduced the work load and at the same time has also empowered man with the modern technology. At present, there might be no single industry which is not using and getting the benefits from this advancement in the run of modernization, but if it is used negatively.

As computers and the Internet are used for unethical purposes which include fraud, hacking, online bank robberies and pornography then it can be a curse for the people as it will not be helpful anymore but will be disastrous. It can be concluded that science is a blessing and very helpful for the people as it has brought more stability in the processes but at the same time, it can be injurious and disastrous if used with a negative intention.

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