

Ralph Merkle

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Nanotechnology will let us build computers that are incredibly powerful. We'll have more power in the volume of a sugar cube than exists in the entire world today.

~Ralph Merkle

Nanotechnology is an idea that most people simply didn't believe.

~Ralph Merkle

If you look at the human condition today, not everyone is well fed, has access to good medical care, or the physical basics that provide for a healthy and a happy life.

~Ralph Merkle

Because of technological limits, there is a certain amount of food that we can produce per acre. If we were to have intensive greenhouse agriculture, we could have much higher production.

~Ralph Merkle

The new technologies that we see coming will have major benefits that will greatly alleviate human suffering.

~Ralph Merkle

One of the concepts essential to molecular manufacturing is that of a self-replicating manufacturing system. That concept has lagged behind in its acceptance.

~Ralph Merkle

One of the things that we can say with confidence is that we will have much lighter, much stronger materials, and this will reduce the cost of air flight, and it will reduce the cost of rockets.

~Ralph Merkle

We see an entire planet which has many limitations.

~Ralph Merkle

Machines built by human beings they will function correctly if we provide them with a very specific environment. But if that environment is changed they won't function at all.

~Ralph Merkle

If you think the technology is infeasible, you don't worry about what it might do and what its potential is.

~Ralph Merkle

If you look at the various strategies available for dealing with a new technology, sticking your head in the sand is not the most plausible strategy.

~Ralph Merkle

Today we see a human population of over 6 billion people, many of whom have serious medical conditions, which either can't be treated or cannot be treated economically.

~Ralph Merkle

Disease and ill health are caused largely by damage at the molecular and cellular level, yet today's surgical tools are too large to deal with that kind of problem.

~Ralph Merkle

What we refer to as 'death' is just a set of symptoms that have proven resistant to treatment.

~Ralph Merkle

There are certain things that are inherently scarce. For example, there is only a certain amount of beachfront property in California. It is going to be scarce, it is going to be expensive.

~Ralph Merkle

We are looking at a future where to a first approximation everyone is

wealthy.

~Ralph Merkle

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