What does theology have to do with innovation? More than you might think. Innovation and theology are ways people try to make sense; both have much to say about change and how we respond to it (or not); both have to do with value and knowledge creation; and both affect human culture and physical realities with implications for generations to come.

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Both books can strengthen conversations about where we should be innovating, why, and for whom. The One for whom all things are possible may be more interested, invested and engaged in innovating in these places than we might otherwise imagine. Are we innovating with that One, or not?

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