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Why Matter Matters to God

Lessons from Nanotechnology

Prof Russell Cowburn FRS

Faraday Institute / Cambridge University

3rd May, Thursday

7:00 pm, Rayson Huang Theatre, HKU

Is Christianity only about spiritual things, or does God care about base matter too? By extension, should Christians care only about spiritual things, or should they care about physical stuff as well? In this lecture, Russell Cowburn, who is both a Christian and a Professor of Experimental Physics, explores the interrelationships between interest in the spiritual and material world.

Russell Cowburn FRS is a Professor of Experimental Physics at the Cavendish Laboratory, University of Cambridge. He has had over 60 patents granted in connection with his research, and is the founder of two start-up companies. His current work involves basic research on nanoscale magnetism and spintronics, and the application of the results to low-energy computer chips, ultrahigh-density data storage, and healthcare devices. At the start of his professional life, he had thought he faced a choice between a "spiritual" career and a "material" one. Several decades on, he is convinced that God cares about material things too.

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