## The Principle of Personal Privacy

Our worldview is that in order to be free we must have a deep respect for the individual's personal privacy. We are living in an age of expanding technology - a technology that has the ability to let too many people know too much about us and to use that information against us in order to cripple our freedom to explore. Public scrutiny often has a chilling effect on our exploration and causes us to fear the pursuit of the understanding of understanding. In order to grow as a species we must protect our privacy as a means of giving individuals the power to discover new knowledge and contribute that knowledge back into the Tree of Knowledge. In order to freely exercise our beliefs and promote personal freedom we must be allowed to preserve our personal privacy.