newlife SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

Digital Christians

Is God in My Phone? - Romans 12:1-2

Discussion Points
October 25, 2020

Read/Reflect

- 1. Read Romans 12:1-2. How would you interpret Paul's instruction here for your own life? That is:
 in what ways can you "offer your bodies as a living sacrifice?"
 where in your living have you been transformed?
 what does "renewing your mind" look like for you?
- 2. Scan Romans 1-11 and take note of some of the ways in which Paul describes where we have come from, what we have entered into through Jesus Christ, and how we view life and the world. How is "in view of God's mercy" (Romans 12:1) a reference to that? And how is it a motivation for offering ourselves in sacrifice to God?

Explore

- 3. What are some of the changes in technology that you have witnessed. How have they changed the way we worship?
- 4. How much "screen time" (time spent viewing a phone, tablet, laptop, TV, etc) do you have in a day or week? Do you think that is appropriate according to your value of worshipping God as the master of your life?
- 5. Where does your attitude or value of worship need to change or be strengthened when you think of how you spend time in front of a screen?
- 6. How does your phone, tablet, smart TV conform you to worldliness? How does it lead you into holiness?

Pray

- Pray for the renewing of your mind so that you would have a greater picture of God's kingdom, and be more influenced by the gospel of Jesus in all your handling of digital technology.
- Give thanks for the use of technology and the ways that it can and does bless our lives, and offer prayers for wisdom in continuing to use our phones etc, to the glory of God.

