

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

Digital Christians

For God's Glory – 1 Peter 4:7-11

Discussion Points

November 22, 2020

Read/Reflect

1. Read 1 Peter 4:7-11, slowly. Quietly reflect on the flow of the passage.
2. Read the passage a second time out loud. Identify a word or a phrase that stood out to you as you reflect on the way you use digital devices (phone, tablet, computer, etc).

Explore

3. What images or sentiments go through your mind as you hear the words, "The end of all things is near." (vs.7)? How can you incorporate that phrase into your life to help you be a servant of Christ?
4. What are some of the values with which you use technology (e.g – productivity, entertainment, community, efficiency, convenience, information, distraction, "the latest & greatest")?
5. In what ways has technology made your life easier?

<input type="checkbox"/> Access to so much more info	<input type="checkbox"/> Made me more productive
<input type="checkbox"/> More connected to friends/family	<input type="checkbox"/> Is a hub for a lot in my life
<input type="checkbox"/> Better informed about the world	<input type="checkbox"/> Added joy to my life
<input type="checkbox"/> Daily activities more convenient	<input type="checkbox"/> Made me a better parent
<input type="checkbox"/> Can do my job better	<input type="checkbox"/> It hasn't made my life easier
6. In what ways has technology made your life more difficult?

<input type="checkbox"/> I waste a lot of time	<input type="checkbox"/> I feel less productive
<input type="checkbox"/> I'm more distracted	<input type="checkbox"/> feel anxious without my phone
<input type="checkbox"/> devices separate me from others	<input type="checkbox"/> always tethered to job
<input type="checkbox"/> I feel like I can never disconnect	<input type="checkbox"/> negatively affects relationships
<input type="checkbox"/> my attention span is shorter	<input type="checkbox"/> hasn't made my life more difficult
7. How does technology crowd out space in your life for serving others? How does technology assist you in serving others – eg. Loving, extending hospitality, speaking, serving

Pray

- ✝ *name a spiritual gift (prayer, hospitality, speaking, serving, etc.) you use with your use of technology and pray a prayer of thanks and blessing over that; and if in a group, pray the prayers over each other, thanking God for each other, to the glory of our Father.*

