Digital Christians
Digital Citizenship – Philippians 3:20; Ephesians 2:19,20; 4:1-7

Discussion Points
November 8, 2020

Read/Reflect

1. Read Ephesians 4:1-7. What kind of picture develops in your mind as you reflect on this passage?

2. Read Philippians 3:20-21. What kind of picture develops in your mind from these verses? Is it compatible with the picture from Ephesians 4, or with the life you live right now?

Explore

3. What is your definition of a good citizen in any circumstance? Have you ever lived in a place (or even a different time) where good citizenship had different values than your own?

4. How does being online make you think about good citizenship?

5. In what ways do your digital devices distract you from the goal of living to the glory of God or from living in (comm)unity?
   - ❐ When in the presence of others I check my phone (e.g. family meals).
   - ❐ When I get involved in a social media conversation.
   - ❐ When I get caught up in a game on my tablet.
   - ❐ When I binge-watch TV shows from a streaming service (Netflix)
   - ❐ Other: _____

6. With respect to using technology, which do you need to develop the most in your attitude for community (Ephesians 4:2):
   - ❐ Being humble and gentle (because I recognize the limits of human reason, including my own; and because if I'm not humble I will only foster pride and arrogance),
   - ❐ Being patient (because we won't always reach agreement on all the difficult issues of our time, and because our hope is in the completed story of salvation),
   - ❐ Bearing with one another in love (because our love of neighbour (even enemies) is rooted in the love of God, and because love casts out fear).

Pray
   - ✝ *Pray for a clear vision for Christian community, of which Christ is the cornerstone.*
   - ✝ *Thank God for the ways in which digital technology assists us in being community.*
   - ✝ *Confess to God the ways in which digital technology hinders unity and community.*

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