

BEING A DISCIPLE IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Stuff That Really Matters – Part 4

The Spiritual Hazards of Digital Tools

1. It can _____.

Ephesians 5:15-16 "Be careful how you live. Don't live foolishly. Instead, live as wise people, making every minute count because these are evil times."

1 Corinthians 10:23 "Now you may say, 'I'm allowed to do anything,' but not everything is helpful or beneficial. A thing may be permissible, but not everything is constructive and encourages growth."

Proverbs 12:11 "Only a fool idles away his time."

2. I can be _____.

Romans 12:2 "Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world. But let God transform you into a new person, by changing the way you think."

1 John 2:15-17 "Do not love the world, or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For what the world values, the lust for constant pleasure, the greed for more things and the prideful positioning to appear important, none of these things come from your Father. The world and what it values is going to pass away. But whoever does the will of God lives forever."

James 4:4 "Don't you know that to be a friend of the world is to be hostile to God?"

3. I can be _____.

Titus 3:9 "Never get involved in foolish controversies, useless arguments, disputes about your personal pedigree or fights over interpreting God's law. All of these are useless and do not help anyone."

Proverbs 26:21 "Just as charcoal and wood keep a fire going, a troublemaker keeps an argument going."

Proverbs 26:4 "Don't answer their foolish arguments, or you will become as foolish as they are."

Matthew 12:36 "You can be sure that on the Judgment Day, you will have to give an account to God of every careless word you have ever spoken."

Proverbs 13:10 "Pride always causes conflict."

4. I can be _____.

1 Corinthians 4:7 "Who says you're better than others? What do you have that was not given to you? And if it was given to you by God, why do you brag as if you did not receive it as a gift?"

Galatians 6:3 "If you think you're better than others, when you really aren't, you're just deceiving yourself."

1 Peter 5:6 "So be content with who you are, and don't put on airs."

5. I can get _____.

Galatians 1:10 "Am I trying to win the approval of people or the approval of God?"

James 2:1 "Dear friends, don't let public opinion influence how you live out our glorious Christ originated faith."

Ecclesiastes 7:21 "Don't pay attention to everything people say."

6. I can be _____.

Luke 10:40-42 "Mary sat quietly at Jesus' feet, listening to everything he said. But Martha was distracted, she said, 'Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself. Tell her to help me.' Jesus replied, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried, and you're too distracted by many things. But really, Martha, there's only one thing that is truly important, and Mary chose it.'"

How can I use my smartphone for God's glory?

1. Use it to _____.

Psalms 25:5b "All day long, I put my hope and trust in you."

2. Use it to _____.

Romans 12:10 "Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other."

1 Thessalonians 5:11 "Encourage each other and give each other strength."

3. Use it to _____.

2 Peter 3:18 "Grow in spiritual strength, and become better acquainted with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ."

Psalms 119:37 "Keep me from looking at worthless things, and let me live by your word."

4. Use it to _____.

Psalms 116:12 "What can I give back to God for all the blessings that He's poured out to me?"

5. Use it to _____.

2 Corinthians 5:18, 20 "Through Christ, God has made peace between us and Himself. And He gave us the work of telling everyone about the peace we can have with Him."

1 Chronicles 16:24 "Publish God's glorious deeds among every nation. Tell everyone about the amazing things He does."