



A Christian Perspective on Technology

Technology's Impact
on Mission
Message 3

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► Outline

A. Introduction

2. _____ scale for success.
(Matthew 28:19b-20; Luke 12:13-21; Acts 1:8;
1 Corinthians 10:31)

3. _____ efforts.
(2 Peter 1:5-8. C/R: Job 28:1-28; Luke 10:40)

B. Technology impacts my mission by...

1. _____ my influence.
(Matthew 28:18-19a; Luke 10:25-37)

Answers: 1. Multiplying 2. Mistaking 3. Misdirecting

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► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself, with those in your home or with others using video chat.

Introduction

In this series, we're asking you to think about technology as something more than computers and cell phones. In a much broader sense, we're using the term technology to describe *tools and resources we use to make life better*. What impact (good and bad) do the various things we make and use have on us, our relationships and our world? How can we use our resources and tools to help us pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus and share His love with the world? These are the sort of questions we'll be asking during this series.

Opening in Prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Ask God to help you know Him more as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

Conversation Starter

Would you rather lose the ability to read or lose the ability to speak?

Personal Reflection/Group Discussion

1. Before Jesus returned to heaven He gave the *Great Commission* to His disciples multiple times and in various ways. What specific instructions and key elements are in the following passages?
 - a) [Matthew 28:16-20](#)
 - b) [Mark 16:14-16](#)
 - c) [Luke 24:45-49](#)
 - d) [John 20:19-23](#)
 - e) [Acts 1:8](#)
2. What's the connection between Jesus' authority and the command to *go and make disciples of all the nations* ([Matthew 28:18-19](#))?

3. If you were among those first disciples who heard Jesus' instructions, how do you think you would have felt? What questions might you have asked?
4. Do you feel prepared to make disciples? What steps could you take to be better equipped?
5. How could you use the tools and resources you have (including digital technology) to help others come to know Jesus?
6. Jesus said *...I am with you always, even to the end...* ([Matthew 28:20](#)). When have you been especially grateful for His presence?

Soul Training

Draw a tic tac toe board. Write your name in the center square. Draw a heart in each of the outer eight squares.

Think for a moment about the people in your life – some who know Jesus and several who don't. Write the names of those people in the outer squares of the tic tac toe board. These are people God has literally *put on your heart*.

Keep this tic tac toe board somewhere you'll see it often. Then do at least one thing each week to show these people love and share what Jesus means to you. Pray for them. Send notes of encouragement. Offer to help them with a task or project. Bake them cookies. Sharing the gospel happens best when we build relationships full of love and care and concern for others. *Be ready...* your love may cause people to ask more about Jesus!

Memory Verse

... *Make every effort to respond to God's promises.*

[2 Peter 1:5b \(NLT\)](#)

Daily Reading

Day 1: [Luke 15:1-10](#)

Day 4: [Acts 20:32-35](#)

Day 2: [Matthew 15:29-39](#)

Day 5: [Colossians 4:2-6](#)

Day 3: [Proverbs 12:24-28](#)

Prepare for Next Sunday

Join us next Sunday, May 10, for a special Mother's Day message titled *Mothering through Crises*. To prepare, read [Exodus 2: 1-10](#).



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