TRUTH & TECHNOLOGY
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We exist to educate Christian students to think and live a biblical worldview and to proclaim Christ by serving Him in the Church and society
THE IMPACT OF TECHNOLOGY ON
OUR LIFESTYLE
OUR FAMILY
OUR SPIRITUALITY
For today’s workshop, we want to begin with the “End in Mind”
THE WHY QUESTION?

Why are you attending this workshop?
What do you hope to take away from this workshop?
FROM SCROLLS
So Here We Are
2019
Perhaps Overwhelmed With Technology And The Issues Surrounding It.
Where Do We Go From Here?
Just Maybe We Lost Our Biblical Worldview Perspective
Biblical Worldview is...

The framework of ideas and beliefs through which a disciple of Christ interprets the world and interacts with it.
What We Do......

We filter our day through a pair of biblical/spiritual goggles,
And see the world as a harmonious set of beliefs and perspectives.
In The Beginning God......Gen.1:1
What Does That Look Like?
I appeal to you therefore, brothers (and sisters), by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.
2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect........

TECHNOLOGY
Romans 12:1-2
Technology Has Changed Our Spirituality
The way we read the Bible has changed.
The way we preach the Word has changed.
The way we teach the Word has changed.
Technology Has Changed Our Families

The way we raise our families has changed.

The way we communicate with each other has changed.

The speed in which we live our lives has changed.
Technology Has Changed Our Lifestyle

The way we receive news and world events has changed.
The way we function in the work place has changed.
The way we perceive technology has changed.
DOES IT MATTER?
Today is here and tomorrow will come and go,

But inside you lies tremendous talents don’t you know.

With vision, discipline, and belief today,

Success, joy and happiness will come your way.

The future you live tomorrow is the future you build today.
TRUTH

*Truth* is that which is constant and unchangeable
What is truth?

asked a jesting Pilate with Jesus standing before him,
And then Pilate left, he did not stay for an answer.
How about us?
Have we stayed for an answer?
TRUTH

Truth is not just an abstract idea.

Truth is not just a philosophical puzzle.

Truth is a *person*-the person of Jesus Christ.
TRUTH

God’s truth “works” because it teaches us how to be **true from the heart**.

We don’t make the truth, but God’s **truth makes us**.

Science can tell us some truth because science discerns **God’s own handiwork as creation**.
TRUE OR FALSE

A view of truth, held by the vast majority of philosophers and theologians throughout history, holds that any declarative statement is true if and only if it corresponds to or agrees with factual reality, with the way things are.
According to Merriam-Webster,

Technology is the invention of useful things to solve problems.
And..... could include the creation of things that make life easier.
We can define technology as a distinct human cultural activity, in which human beings exercise freedom and responsibility, responding to God’s leading by forming and transforming His natural creation, with the aid of tools and procedures, for practical ends and purposes. (Responsible Technology, 1986, p. 19)
TRUTH
TECHNOLOGY
Question ??
Definition of Worship

Adoring;
Paying divine honors to;
Treating with supreme reverence;
Treating with extreme submission.
Fact

Facebook is now the largest populated community in the world.
Fact
As of 1st quarter of 2019
Facebook had 2.38 billion monthly active users

The world population is 7.7 billion people
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Does It Matter?

Has our Church Worship become a “production” or a “faith building repentant worship experience?”

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https://globalmediaoutreach.com/
Though I have much to write to you, I would rather not use paper and ink.

[modern technology for John].

Instead I hope to come to you and talk face to face, so that our joy may be complete”

(2 John 12).
The God In Our Pockets!
For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Claiming to be wise, they became fools, and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.

Romans 1:21-23
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Rebuilding our Families

Perhaps we need to rearrange our homes to prioritize the Truth rather than Technology?
QUESTION

What does the Bible have to say about technology?
We Can’t Escape Technology

Consider how we use technology every day.............
“In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.”

Genesis 1:1 (KJV)
Then God said, “Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”

Genesis 1:26
Genesis 11
Psalm 8:3-6:

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?

Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet,
1 Corinthians 6:12:

“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful.

“All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything.
How Technology Has Shaped Our Spirituality
The God in our Pockets
Apple’s Garden of Eden logo is somewhat troubling.

It seems to be a clear picture of the deception of the Enemy.
The “i” prefix on our Apple devices is a constant reminder that personal technology is all about ME.
“Christians desperately need discipleship in the area of navigating digital technologies and social media platforms”

writes Ed Stetzer, Executive Director of the Billy Graham Center
Our new digital technologies and social media platforms have untold potential to advance the gospel of Jesus Christ.

At the same time, they have utterly laid waste to people, congregations, and communities.

When will we again begin to bring real people into our living rooms and church pews?
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Finding Spiritual Life in a Technological World

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