TECHNOLOGY & FAITH: WOULD JESUS USE THE INTERNET?

PEOPLE'S *choice*

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Benefits:

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Benefits:

- **Easy to get data**

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Benefits:

- Easy to get data
- **Any subject**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
  - **Theology**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
  - Theology
  - **Directions**

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
    - Theology
    - Directions
    - **News**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
  - Theology
  - Directions
  - News
  - **Tutorials**

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- **Access varied sources**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:

- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
  - **Medical**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:

- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
  - Medical
  - **Theological**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
  - Medical
  - Theological
  - **News**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:

- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- **Make purchases**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
  - **Razor blades**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
  - Razor blades
  - **Golf clubs**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
  - Razor blades
  - Golf clubs
  - **Dog food**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
  - Razor blades
  - Golf clubs
  - Dog food
  - **Books**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:

- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
  - Razor blades
  - Golf clubs
  - Dog food
  - Books
  - **Food**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:

- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
  - Razor blades
  - Golf clubs
  - Dog food
  - Books
  - Food
  - **Clothing**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:

- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
  - Razor blades
  - Golf clubs
  - Dog food
  - Books
  - Food
  - Clothing
  - **More technology**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:

- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
- **Make reservations**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
- Make reservations
  - **Travel**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
- Make reservations
  - Travel
  - **Golf**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
- Make reservations
  - Travel
  - Golf
  - **Dinner**

PEOPLE'S
choice

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
- Make reservations
- **Entertainment**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
- Make reservations
- Entertainment
  - **Sports**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
- Make reservations
- Entertainment
  - Sports
  - **Movies**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
- Make reservations
- Entertainment
  - Sports
  - Movies
  - **TV**

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:
- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
- Make reservations
- Entertainment
  - Sports
  - Movies
  - TV
  - **Music**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Benefits:

- Easy to get data
- Any subject
- Access varied sources
- Make purchases
- Make reservations
- Entertainment
  - Sports
  - Movies
  - TV
  - Music
  - **YouTube**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Challenges:

Instantaneous access to information.

Challenges:

- **Folks have access to our personal data**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Challenges:

- Folks have access to our personal data
- **Easy access to subjects that are not appropriate**

PEOPLE'S
choice

Instantaneous access to information.

Challenges:

- Folks have access to our personal data
- Easy access to subjects that are not appropriate
  - **Intentional**

Instantaneous access to information.

Challenges:

- Folks have access to our personal data
- Easy access to subjects that are not appropriate
  - Intentional
  - **Unintentional**

Instantaneous access to information.

Challenges:

- Folks have access to our personal data
- Easy access to subjects that are not appropriate
  - Intentional
  - Unintentional
  - **Kids**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Challenges:

- Folks have access to our personal data
- Easy access to subjects that are not appropriate
- **Challenging to know what sources to trust**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Challenges:

- Folks have access to our personal data
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- Challenging to know what sources to trust
- **Inappropriate application of information**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Challenges:

- Folks have access to our personal data
- Easy access to subjects that are not appropriate
- Challenging to know what sources to trust
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- **Intensified materialism**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Challenges:

- Folks have access to our personal data
- Easy access to subjects that are not appropriate
- Challenging to know what sources to trust
- Inappropriate application of information
- Intensified materialism
- **Proliferation of information, opinions**

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Challenges:

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- Proliferation of information, opinions
- **Read broadly but not deeply**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to information.

Instantaneous access to people.

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Benefits:

Instantaneous access to people.

Benefits:

- **Education**

Instantaneous access to people.

Benefits:
- Education
- **Business**

PEOPLE'S
choice

Instantaneous access to people.

Benefits:
- Education
- Business
- **Personal**

Instantaneous access to people.

Benefits:
- Education
- Business
- Personal
- **Church**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to people.

Challenges:

Instantaneous access to people.

Challenges:

- **Diminished responsibility for what is said**

Instantaneous access to people.

Challenges:

- Diminished responsibility for what is said
- **Easy to misrepresent ourselves**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to people.

Challenges:
- Diminished responsibility for what is said
- Easy to misrepresent ourselves
- **Accepting potential misrepresentations of others**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to people.

Challenges:

- Diminished responsibility for what is said
- Easy to misrepresent ourselves
- Accepting potential misrepresentations of others
- **Searching for significance in online presence**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to people.

Challenges:
- Diminished responsibility for what is said
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- Accepting potential misrepresentations of others
- Searching for significance in online presence
- **Defaming others online**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to people.

Challenges:
- Diminished responsibility for what is said
- Easy to misrepresent ourselves
- Accepting potential misrepresentations of others
- Searching for significance in online presence
- Defaming others online
- **Believing online connection replaces face-to-face interaction**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

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- Diminished responsibility for what is said
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- **Always interacting with technology**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Instantaneous access to people.

Challenges:

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- Searching for significance in online presence
- Defaming others online
- Believing online connection replaces face-to-face interaction
- Always interacting with technology
- **Responding in a timely manner**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

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My concern: Technology has become such a focus of our lives that it is diminishing our experience of the deeper joys in life. Relationships. With God. With others.

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

PEOPLE'S choice

Takeaways:

- **Assess our use**

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- Assess our use
  - **Family or friends comment on your tech use**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
  - Family or friends comment on your tech use
  - **Interfering with work**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
  - Family or friends comment on your tech use
  - Interfering with work
  - **Do I have boundaries for tech use?**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
- **Refine our use**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
- Refine our use
  - **Clear apps that aren't meaningful**

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
- Refine our use
    - Clear apps that aren't meaningful
    - **Limit tech use to certain times**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
- Refine our use
  - Clear apps that aren't meaningful
  - Limit tech use to certain times
  - **Commit to watching less TV**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
- Refine our use
    - Clear apps that aren't meaningful
    - Limit tech use to certain times
    - Commit to watching less TV
    - **Make meal times device free**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
- Refine our use
  - Clear apps that aren't meaningful
  - Limit tech use to certain times
  - Commit to watching less TV
  - Make meal times device free
  - **If you have kids:**

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
- Refine our use
  - Clear apps that aren't meaningful
  - Limit tech use to certain times
  - Commit to watching less TV
  - Make meal times device free
  - If you have kids:
    - **Limit their screen time**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- Assess our use

- Refine our use
  - Clear apps that aren't meaningful
  - Limit tech use to certain times
  - Commit to watching less TV
  - Make meal times device free
  - If you have kids:
    - Limit their screen time
    - **Know what they are watching, engaging with**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- Assess our use

- Refine our use
  - Clear apps that aren't meaningful
  - Limit tech use to certain times
  - Commit to watching less TV
  - Make meal times device free

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    - **Use parental controls**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- ## Assess our use

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  - ## If you have kids:

    - Limit their screen time
    - Know what they are watching, engaging with
    - Use parental controls
    - Encourage face-to-face time
      over online relationships

    - ## Devote time to have fun interactions with them

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
- Refine our use
- **Redeem our use**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
- Refine our use
- Redeem our use
  - **Commit to use technology to grow our faith**

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
- Refine our use
- Redeem our use
  - Commit to use technology to grow our faith
  - **Commit to use technology to encourage others**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Takeaways:

- Assess our use
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  - Commit to use technology to encourage others
  - **Commit to use technology to promote Jesus**

PEOPLE'S *choice*

Psalm 46:10

"Be still, and know that I am God."