

Changing World Series: **Technology**

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I. **Tools & Idols**

Key Truth: Do Not Let Tools Become Idols

II. **Idolatrous Inclinations**

Romans 1:21-25

Point: Our Ability Is God's Glory

III. **Lawful & Helpful Things**

1st Corinthians 6:12

Point: Able ≠ Should

IV. **Be Like Bezalel**

Exodus 31:1-5

Point: Abilities & Tools Are For Godly Pursuits

V. **Strange & Amazing Days**

VI. **Challenge & Invitation**

Mid-Week Devotion *(Take time this week to pray & respond to the following)*

Technology is so interwoven into the fabric of life that one can scarcely imagine a world without all of the convenience, ability and opportunity it affords. We are so connected to and by our technology that a power outage is necessary for us to feel the full impact of its influence on our lives. Because technology is so pervasive and appealing, we must be ever-vigilant to not let the tools of technology become idols of misplaced devotion.

Being made in the image of God has enabled mankind to build and achieve things our ancestors could not possibly have envisioned. Wisdom and caution are necessary, however. Just because man is able to create or achieve something does not necessarily mean that he should. Moreover, the wonderful advancements humanity has achieved through technology should be cause for gratitude to the Creator rather than worship of idols or self.

You are dependent upon technology. This is an indisputable fact. The essential questions are, "How dependent are you" and "To what degree has that dependence become a distraction or disruption away from your relationship with God and your service in His name?"

Prayerfully bring these considerations before God. Thank Him for the myriad of blessings He has bestowed through the utilization of technology. Confess any areas of misappropriated devotion or lagging commitment to Him. Commit to be on guard against the temptation to allow the technological tools to become idols of false worship.