



Winning Disciples in the Digital Age

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Technology is a formative challenge for our families, and whether we like it or not, the digital world is here to stay. What digital changes have you noticed within this year, and what effects do you see?

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What tools can we provide to our families to mitigate risk and to raise kids for the Kingdom who thrive in the digital community?

3

As Ministry Leaders, we have an impact on the outcome. Find ways to put your influence to win kids for the Kingdom.



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Define the Target: Observations About Technology

Bible Principles to Occupy our Attention

Philippians 4:8:

Principles in the Digital World to Occupy our Attention

Implications or Applications for Ministry

Technology's Blessings

Technology's Curses

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Tools for Digitally Responsible Kingdom Citizens

Mobile Content Control

- AT&T Secure Family
- T-Mobile Family Mode
- FamiSafe
- Qustodio
- Mobicip

Apps with Location Tracking

- Locategy
- NetNanny

Resources for Digital Citizenship

- <https://www.DfiNow.org/parent-academy/>
- CommonSenseMedia.com
- Smartsocial.com
- BeInternetAwesome.withgoogle.com/en_us/families
- GlobalDigitalCitizen.org

Desktop Browsing Control

- YouTube Kids
- Norton Family Parental Control
- Google Family Link for Parents
- Safe Browser Parental Control
- SentryPC
- Bark
- Kaspersky

Screen Time Controls

- OurPact
- FamilyTime
- ScreenTime

Parenting and the Media Challenge



Family Guidelines for Safe Screen Time

- Install parent control software
- Set boundaries on time and places
- Review all social media accounts
- Know your child's online and offline friends
- Model responsible behavior
- Teach and digital citizenship

Digital Citizenship

APA.org Daily Recommendations

Birth to 2 years:	<u>No screen time</u>
2 to 5 years:	<u>< 1 hour</u>
6 to 12 years:	<u>< 2 hours</u>
Teen Years	<u>negotiable time</u>

Screen Time purposes

Birth to 2 years:	<u>not recommended</u>
2 to 5 years:	<u>educational only</u>
6 to 12 years:	<u>primarily educational</u>
Teen Years	<u>negotiate social and recreational screentime</u>



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Putting It into Practice: Plans to Succeed

Applying the guidelines: What would you do?

Choose one scenario and role-play the conversation with a friend, colleague, or family member.

1. Your 8-year-old wants a cell phone. They argue that all their friends at school own one except them.
2. Your child argues they need a cell phone in case of an emergency. What If they need to contact you at school or at a friend's house?
3. Your 10 and 13-year old each argue they need their own private passwords to do their schoolwork.
4. Parents have just discovered some very disturbing text messages and pictures on their 12-year-old daughter's phone
5. Technology Is a quick babysitter: It's free, easily accessible and the kids love It. The TV, iPad, or some other gadget has been serving as their babysitter. You must admit...It does come in handy for a busy mom! Are there other options?

Brainstorm: 10 Winsome Activities for Families Who Unplug

