



Intro to “It’s a Small World”

Well, it has been quite a week. “Surreal” is an overused word these days, but this week has truly been that. Incredible that this was already the week scheduled to talk about technology, as part of the Redeemed series. Ultimately, technology is a tool. And a tool can be used for good or evil. A screwdriver can be used to assemble furniture for someone by a good samaritan. A screwdriver can also be used to loosen screws by a prankster. Technology has the potential to dramatically expand our knowledge of and relationship with God. It also has the potential to turn us all into global disciple-makers. During this period of forced isolation, let’s be honest about how we use technology, and how it leads us closer to Christ.

Part 1: It's a Small World

Text: 2 Tim. 3:14-17, Acts 17:22-27

Big Idea: Technology with prayer and practice, can turn a disciple of Jesus into a global disciple-maker.

From the Sermon (add your own notes here):

I. How does technology help me know God?

2 Timothy 3:14-17

15. Which are able to... ?

For...?

II. How does technology help us make God known?

Acts 17:22-27

Technology has given us the opportunity to lead those people to him... this process we call discipleship.

III. Your work is for making God known.

Getting Started

Think about all the technology you use in a given day or week.

What forms of social media would you call positive in your life?

What forms would you call negative?

What forms would you call neutral?

Discuss what Jesus meant when he told his followers to go and make disciples.

Digging Deeper, Read 2 Timothy 3

1. What does it mean to “continue” in what you have learned and believed?
 - a. How does remembering from whom you learned it help? (*Think about getting basketball lessons from LeBron James or guitar lessons from Eric Clapton.*)

2. Think about the process described in verse 15.
 - a. Getting acquainted with the sacred writings.
 - b. Becoming wise.
 - c. Wisdom leading to salvation through faith in Jesus Christ.

3. In what ways does scripture, when applied, teach us, reprove, correct and train in righteousness?
 - a. Think about your own life. What specific verses have taught you or trained you?

4. Discuss what it might look like to be “complete, equipped for every good work.”

Live It Out

Pray: Ask God to give you opportunities through this season, with the limitations and obstacles from the virus, to make disciples through technology.

Confess: How has technology led you away from God? Where have you compromised, perhaps through TV shows, movies, music or social media, consuming things that draw your eyes and heart away?

Act: Right now, erase the things in your life that -- beyond being neutral -- are actively hurting your relationship with God. Maybe that is more dramatic for some than others, but strive for honesty and self-awareness. Better to lose one source of entertainment than allow that source to hurt your relationship with God.