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**Recommended Reading**

*Protecting Your Family from the Digital Invasion (*Focus on the Family broadcast)

*The Digital Invasion* by Dr. Archibald Hart

*Fake Love, Fake War: Why So Many Men Are Addicted to Internet Porn and*

*Video Games* by Russ Moore (on DesiringGod.org)

*Don’t Let the Screen Strangle Your Soul* by Kevin DeYoung (on

TheGospelCoalition.org)

Week 1 – God’s Purpose for the Family

Week 2 – The Ministry of the Family to the Church & the World

Week 3 – Family Worship

Week 4 – Getting to the Heart of Behavior

Week 5 – Formative Discipline: Our Words to Their Hearts

Week 6 – What to Do When You Can’t Reach the Heart

Week 7 – Corrective Discipline: The Rod of Correction

Week 8 – Boys & Fatherhood

Week 9 – Girls & Motherhood

Week 10 – The Teen Years

Week 11 – Panel Discussion

**Week 12 -- Children, Technology & Social Media**

Week 13 – The Gospel and the Overzealous Parent

**Core Seminars – Christian Life**

## Parenthood

**Week 12**

**Children, Technology, and Social Media**

**Introduction**

* + **Technology has become utterly ubiquitous – like the air we breathe. It affects how we live, think, and relate whether we realize it or not. But because it’s literally part of how we live, we may not give it a lot of serious thought.**
  + **There have always been transformative technologies throughout history. Were they bad or good?**
  + **Whether good, bad, or neutral, today’s technology presents some unique dangers. So how do we deal with it?**
  + **The Bible is sufficient, and has much to say to help us think rightly about technology.**
* **Ten Questions to Test the Use of Technology in Your Home**

1. **“Is it helping us to be present?”** (Deut 6:6-9)
2. **“Is it helping us to be alert?” (**Mk. 13:33, Eph. 6:18, I Thess. 5:6, I Peter 5:8)
3. **“Is it helping us to be transformed?”** (Rom 12:2)
4. **“Is it helping us to grow in wisdom?”** (Prov 4:5-7, Ps 90:12)

1. **“Is it helping us to be patient?”** (Ps 27:14)
2. **“Is it helping us to be content?”** (Phil 4:11)
3. **“Is it helping us to be real?”**
4. **“Is it helping us to pray?”** (Lk 5:16, 1 Pet 4:7)
5. **“Is it helping us to be humble?”** (James 4:6)
6. **“Is it helping us be stewards?”** (Eph. 5:15-16)

**BONUS Question: Is it helping me to be holy?** (James 1:27; Hebrews 12:14; 1 Pet 1:16)