

TECHNOLOGY AND WORSHIP



2 John 12

A Defense of Technology

- Any element between you and something you are doing is technology (Gen. 2:15; 3:17-19; 4:22)
- Technology doesn't educate us about its usage (Job 28:1-12).
- God commanded the usage of “modern” technology to record God's word (Ex. 34:27).
- Technology has often been used to further advance the spread of God's word.



The Value of Presence

- There is an incompleteness to distanced communication (2 Jn. 12; 3 Jn. 13-14).
- There are purposes in our worship that cannot be completely accomplished over distance (Eph. 5:19).
- Together is part of the Lord's Supper (1 Cor. 11:33).
- There are elements involved in gathering that are not tangible (Heb. 10:24-25).
- Physical greeting is considered essential (Rom. 16:16; 1 Cor. 16:20; 2 Cor. 13:12; 1 Thess. 5:26; 1 Pet. 5:14).



Trade-Offs

- Distance is sometimes unavoidable (2 Jn. 12; 3 Jn. 13-14).
- Blessings can be curses (Deut. 8:11-14; Jas. 3:5-6).
- Some may avoid technology because of the dangers (Jer. 35:8-10).
- In any evaluation, we need to think clearly about all of the concerns.

