

## Concerned - About Addiction

For some time I've observed a change in our culture that has this ex-software engineer concerned. When out in the community it is very easy to observe people together in groups of 2 to 6 but there is little to no verbal communication taking place between the individuals that are together. Each person or most of the people in the group are on an electronic device (cell phone, ThinkPad, iphone, ipad, laptop, ect...).

I was in a local fast-food restaurant yesterday with my kiddos and did a visual poll, which concluded that 50% of the population in that restaurant were on some electronic device. One family was engaged in conversation and the rest were staring blindly past the person opposite them.

What a strange world I live in. It almost seems like I've been transported to a different world.

It saddens me to see this because there is something greater going on here. Which I'm sure accounts for some of the depression in our society, along with killings and suicides. Electronic relationships are not real... They are a facade of reality and leave one with no one to count on or trust. It leaves you with no security, no real/true friends, no truth, and an escape instead of reality.

When truth is absent then....

With the abundance of the electronic devices another item that runs through my mind is that people no longer have to learn to compromise, negotiate, and work things out but instead can simply not respond to the last post, email, text, tweet, ping, or ...

All this creates a false world where everything revolves around the one holding the device. WOW, how easy for this to be an addition, a very powerful stronghold of bondage.

You are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father you will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.  
John 8:44

Pray for our society and that people will know the truth because the truth will set them free.

Thank you oh Lord for your truth because your truth will set us free. Heavenly Father I pray in the name of Jesus Christ arise in us truth, that our eyes would not be blinded by the tricks and tactics of Satan, that we will have your discernment and see things as they truly are. Transform us into the image of Christ. Amen.