



“The Idol of Media”

Luke 18:9-14; 2 Timothy 4:3-5

Introduction

The idol of new media is an interesting one. Media means so many different things to different people, but inherent in them all is the ability to curate – to control what you present or what you see. What this does is create an incomplete view of the world and our own lives in it. What does the Bible say about this and how are we to move away from this idol and toward Jesus?

Discussion

- What media do you engage with the most (social, streaming tv, phone, podcast, etc.)?
- Do you intentionally curate what you see? If so, how?

Going Deeper¹

- Read Luke 18:9-14. What stands out to you about the text?
- What does this text teach us about how we present ourselves to the world?
- What is Jesus trying to communicate to those who “were confident in their own righteousness”?
- Read 2 Timothy 4:3-5. What stands out to you about the text?
- What kinds of things do our “itching ears” want to hear today?
- How would the thing listed in the last question constitute false doctrine?

Application

- What is your biggest takeaway from this text?
- How is this teaching a “word” for the church today?
- How can you begin to live this teaching this week?
- How can we be in prayer for you?

¹ Scripture references are from the NIV.