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## The Problem of Dependency

- Technology has the potential to create within us a type of dependency because of technology's ability to meet our desires
  - Good \_\_\_\_\_ make bad \_\_\_\_\_.

### *Eros and Longing*

- We were created with \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Three Scriptural Concepts of Love:
    - We were created to exhibit *phileo/storgeh* love, or \_\_\_\_\_ love.
    - We were created to exhibit *agape* love, or \_\_\_\_\_-sacrificial love
    - We were created exhibit *Eros*
      - This love is directly related to our desire – dare I say, our need for \_\_\_\_\_.
        - Eros is the longing within our hearts to \_\_\_\_\_ something.
          - “...eros, at its deepest level, is the desire within us that seeks God.” – Christopher West
- There exists a problem of dependence because technology exploits a vulnerability – specifically, our desires.

### *Infected Longing*

- Our longing has been corrupted – both in terms of what we long for and the sources we believe will satisfy us.
  - “Fast Food” Gospel – a gospel that fills our longing in a way that ultimately does not satisfy.
    - Technology, in many ways, is man's finite solution to infinite problems.
      - \_\_\_\_\_ technology want to fill our infinite \_\_\_\_\_
        - In what ways is technology doing this?
          - Technology wants to \_\_\_\_\_ our affections
          - Technology has the capacity to direct our \_\_\_\_\_

- Technology \_\_\_\_\_ our behavior.
  - “As counterfeit gods, idols are lawgivers. They command us. They shape our affections, direct our decisions, and motivate our behavior. What we do, we do because we obey the commands of our god.” – Alfred Poirier
- Whenever we force a \_\_\_\_\_ thing to serve our \_\_\_\_\_ longing, we have the propensity to \_\_\_\_\_ that thing to the status of an idol.

***Psalm 135:1-21***

- vv. 15-18
  - The worshipper becomes like the one they \_\_\_\_\_.
    - The reason dependency in technology is a problem is because we trust that whomever (or in this case, whatever) we depend on will fulfill our infinite \_\_\_\_\_.
    - Man-made technology possesses within it the philosophy of both meeting and elevating your desires to a place of godhood.
      - But good gods make bad gods.
  - Misplaced longing always leads to \_\_\_\_\_ because we are trying to find the \_\_\_\_\_ in finite things.

***“Bright Line” Technology***

- we must protect ourselves from dependency by creating “bright lines” around our technology.
  - Four bright lines of technology:
    - Always \_\_\_\_\_ Technology
      - Technology must not be sacred to us, like the idol of Gold and Silver (Ps. 135:15-18)
    - Measure Your \_\_\_\_\_ with Technology
    - Measure Your \_\_\_\_\_ in Technology
    - Only use Technology in Tech \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.