

Sermon Discussion Questions: “The Pseudo Community of Tech”
Faith and Technology series

In what ways have social technologies enriched your life?

Andy Crouch says, “The pace of technological change has surpassed anyone’s capacity to develop enough wisdom to handle it.”

- What are some examples of this?
- How have you tried to develop wisdom in the ways you use technology?

Sherry Turkle says, “Digital connections...may offer the illusion of companionship without the demands of friendship. Our networked life allows us to hide from each other, even as we are tethered to each other.”

- What do you think she means by the “illusion of companionship?”
- What are “the demands of friendship?”
- How do we hide from each other?

Read Hebrews 10:23

- What is the context for this verse?
- Lance said that we learn from a young age to put hope in ourselves. How have you seen that in your life?
- What does it mean to hope in Christ?
- How has God been faithful to his promises in your life?

Why are the plural pronouns (us, we, our) in this section of Scripture so important?

Do you struggle to see yourself as part of a people? Do you think others struggle with this?

Read Hebrews 10:24-25

- What does it mean to stir up one another to love and good works?
- Read 1 John 3:16-18
- Share examples of how you’ve seen other people in your small group live this way.
- Share examples of how other people in your small group have spurred you to live this way.

Read Hebrews 10:24-25 again.

- Lance said that “meeting together” has two meanings. What are they?
- How does the church gathering give us a glimpse of heaven?
- Why is close Christian community important?
 - What are the challenges to developing Christian community?
 - Tell some of the stories of Christian community that you’ve experienced.
- How do you need to live differently in light of this teaching?