

Tech Disruption

The current buzz word is Tech Disruption, an innovation that creates a new market and eventually disrupts an existing market, displacing established market-leading firms and products. The chart shows some of these technologies that may cause disruptions.

Summarized from an article by **Linda Green**, “Three ways Worldly Distractions can hinder your Spiritual Growth”:

1. Worldly distractions can keep us from salvation.

In the parable of the sower (Matt. 13:1–23), we learn that one of the reasons God's truth does not take root and grow is because the cares of

the world choke out the Word that's been sown. To fight this battle, I must constantly remind myself that this world is not my home.

2. Worldly distractions can keep us from growing and living according to the life-giving truths of the gospel.

Paul prayed that the young church in Colossae would be filled with the knowledge of God's will so they could walk in a manner worthy of the Lord. This would require them to say no to whatever distracted them from seeking Christ above all else. I find the battle is ongoing as I strive to keep good things in their proper place, such as smart phones, Internet, entertainment, Facebook, Twitter, etc.

3. Worldly distractions can keep us from enjoying the Lord's presence.

We can be distracted by things we're sincerely doing to please Jesus. Good things. But Jesus doesn't want us to be doing for Him at the expense of being with Him.

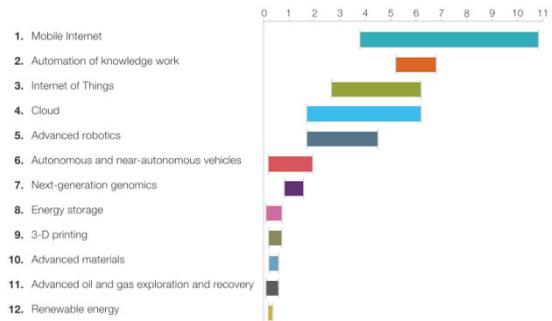
Consider His few years of ministry on earth: Sick people wanted to be healed. Lame people wanted to walk. Blind people wanted to see. The Pharisees and Sadducees wanted to debate Him. Jesus frequently went off by Himself to a quiet place to enjoy fellowship with His Father.

God wants to teach us how to be at rest in the midst of the chaos and confusion of this world. Regardless of what distractions, pressures, trials, or sufferings are coming at me at any given moment, my heart will only be truly at rest when it's fixed on Christ. The more I put my trust in God's goodness and sovereign control over every circumstance of my life, the less unexpected things can steal the peace or joy I have been given in Christ.

Are there any worldly distractions you need to repent of and put aside in order to seek the Lord?

A gallery of disruptive technologies

Estimated potential economic impact of technologies across sized applications in 2025. \$ trillion, annual



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