

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS WITH YOUR KIDS

Questions to create a safe conversational environment for your children

- **Do you feel safe talking to me about anything? Why or why not?**
- **If you were in trouble or had done something wrong, who would you talk to? Why?**
- **How can I make you feel safe so you can talk to me about anything, even things you know will upset me?**
- **Is there anything you feel like you can't talk to me about right now? If so, how can I be a safe place for you to talk about it?**
- **What topics do you wish we discussed more openly together?**
- **What would help make awkward topics feel less awkward?**

Questions concerning the use of YouTube

- **What do you like about YouTube?**
- **What are some of your favorite videos on YouTube? Favorite channels? Favorite YouTubers?**
- **Have you ever learned anything new through YouTube?**

- How do you think people are using YouTube in good ways?
- How have you seen people using YouTube in bad ways?
- What if you started watching a video you thought you'd enjoy, but realized it contained disturbing, graphic, or otherwise inappropriate content? Would you click away, or would you keep watching it?
- How can you tell when a video is bad enough that you need to click away? What makes it hard to stop watching a video once you've begun?
- How can you tell when it's a bad idea to watch a video in the first place?
- What are some of the consequences of viewing graphic content?
- What's an example of a YouTube video that you think took something too far?
- What do you think is a reasonable amount of time to spend on YouTube?
- How can you guard against letting your time online consume your free time?

Watch [The Social Dilemma](#) on Netflix as a family. Then discuss these questions:

- What was surprising to you?
- What resonated?
- Do you want to change any technology habits as a family based on what you learned?
- What do you love about your phone?

- **What do you dislike about your phone?**
- **What is your phone's purpose?**
- **How much time do you think is healthy to spend on our phones each day?**

Questions concerning sex and gender

- **Why do gender and sexuality matter?**
- **What does the Bible say about the purpose of sexuality?**
- **What do *you* think the Bible says about homosexuality?**
- **Do you know anyone who has an LGBTQ+ identity? What do you know about their journeys?**
- **What do your friends think about LGBTQ+ issues? What shapes their opinions?**
- **Do you think the internet has influenced what people believe about LGBTQ+ identities?**
- **Do you think the church in general and our church in particular is communicating well to the LGBTQ+ community?**
- **Do you know anyone personally who is LGBTQ+ and who has been hurt by the church? How were they hurt?**
- **What could the church do to communicate the love of Christ better to people in the LGBTQ+ community without compromising the truth?**

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