



# ACCESSIBILITY DISTRACTION

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Dwelling Place Church Vision: Manifesting  
Christ in Many Ways to Many People

Exodus 40:28 – He hung up the screen at the door of the tabernacle.

Mark 15:32 - Let the Christ, the King of Israel, descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe." Even those who were crucified with Him reviled Him. 33 Now when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. 34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?" which is translated, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" 35 Some of those who stood by, when they heard that, said, "Look, He is calling for Elijah!" 36 Then someone ran and filled a sponge full of sour wine, put it on a reed, and offered it to Him to drink, saying, "Let Him alone; let us see if Elijah will come to take Him down." 37 And Jesus cried out with a loud voice, and breathed His last. 38 Then the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. 39 So when the centurion, who stood opposite Him, saw that He cried out like this and breathed His last, he said, "Truly this Man was the Son of God!"

## I. Introduction

- a. Screens have been around
- b. So, what is different now?
- c. Screens and distraction
- d. The biblical worldview starts early on with the issue of distraction. (Gen 3:1)
- e. The nature of God
- f. Without knowing God – no knowledge of purpose – no knowledge of priorities
- g. Default mode is distraction
- h. Screens, present day, have made accessing people, places & events outside of our immediate surroundings immediately available.

## II. Access & Accessibility

- a. Access = the ability, right, or permission to approach, enter, speak with, or use; admittance: the state or quality of being approachable: a way or means of approach
- b. Accessibility = the quality of being easy to approach, reach, enter, speak with, use, or understand: the quality of being usable, reachable, obtainable, etc.
- c. "Western life is methodically made to sound perilous or precarious by media spin, which emphasizes the negative aspects of developments while downplaying the positive." - Gregg Easterbrook
- d. Screens can allow us to access in a counterfeit way what our personal inadequacies hinder us from accessing in a genuine, tangible, God intended human way.
- e. Screens can allow us to forfeit having to be present when having to be present would require good growth that comes after good pain.

## III. The Gospel of Access & Accessibility

- a. We are distracted by screens because we are distracted from the fact that the screen has been torn from top to bottom. (Mt 27:50-54)
- b. We are distracted by screens because we are distracted from the fact that the dividers have been removed by His blood. (Eph 2:15-18)
- c. We are distracted by screens because we are distracted from the fact that our sins can be forgiven and cleansed by Jesus.
- d. We are distracted by screens because we are distracted from recognizing the good, benevolent and perfect nature of God.
- e. We are distracted by screens because we are distracted from His purpose and priorities for our life.
- f. Will you draw near to God through Jesus?

# WELCOME!

If you have questions, please stop by the NEXT STEPS table in the foyer or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at [dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com](mailto:dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com).

Our strategy at DPC: Gather (Gatherings), Group (Connect Groups), Grow (Growth Phases), Give (Giving/Gifting Teams), Go (Outreach)

## GROUP

*Sunday, August 1 + 15 -*

*Connect Group Night*

Our connect groups will be meeting all over the area this evening.

## GATHER

*Sundays in August -  
"Screens"*

*9:30a + 11:15a*

The way we spend our screen time is a clear indicator of what we are following. How can we leverage screens for the sake of the gospel?

*Wednesday, August 11, 7p - 8:30p*

*DP Students Worship Gathering*

If you are a middle of high school student be sure to join us for our monthly gathering!

## GROW

*Thursday, September 2, 7p - 9p*

*Launch of our Fall Semester  
of Growth Phases*

Get signed up today at the Next Steps table for our Fall Semester of Growth Phases!

*Thursday, August 19, 7p - 9p*

*A Conversation of Faith*

*Topic: Jesus, Gender, and the  
Trans and Gay Community*

This is an open and informal conversation about life, spirituality, and the person of Jesus without judgment or pressure. We want to hear your thoughts and questions as we explore these themes together without the pressured atmosphere that usually comes with these conversations.

*Sunday, August 29, 5p - 8p*

*Welcome to DP Party*

Join us for our Welcome to DP Party! Connect with others while enjoying a meal. Learn more about Dwelling Place and our vision/mission and discover how you can make a difference in becoming a member! Childcare will be provided.

## GIVE

*"His Blueprint" Capital*

*Campaign - He Has Chosen Us!*

We encourage each of you to continue to ask God what He would have you give to our capital campaign!

Goal by June 2022

\$220,000

Commitment Levels:

One time Legacy Gifts

20K - Gold Legacy Gift

10K - Silver Legacy Gift

1K - Precious Stone Legacy Gift

Monthly Pledges

\$500, \$250, \$150, \$50

Did you know you can give via text? Just text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. You will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie your

## GO

*Be on the lookout for  
exciting new opportunities  
to serve our community in  
the upcoming weeks!*