

# TECHNOLOGY OR THE WAY OF LOVE



Today technology is King.

Technology keeps track of everything that goes on.

It scans tons of data in a millisecond.

It pin-points problems with accuracy.

Algorithms calculate outcomes and rarely miss.

For many, technology is God.

**A cold God.**

**A God with no heart.**



**Technology can keep track of things, but it cannot love.**

***“Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? And not one of them is forgotten before God. Why, even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows.”***

Okay, if God cares so much about the sparrows, why does he allow such pain, suffering, violence and death to exist in this sad world?

How 'bout an explanation, Lord!

***“An explanation? Why should I explain what you could never comprehend in a million years?”***

Job could not figure it out.

Instead of an explanation, God gave Job some hard questions.

***Who are you to question my wisdom with your ignorant, empty words?  
Now stand up straight and answer the questions I ask you.***

***Were you there when I made the world?  
If you know so much, tell me about it.  
Who decided how large it would be?  
Who stretched the measuring line over it?***

***Do you know all the answers?  
What holds up the pillars that support the earth?  
Who laid the cornerstone of the world in the dawn of that day the stars sang together,  
and the heavenly beings shouted for joy?***

*Job 38 (GNT)*

Job got no explanation.

We get no explanation.

What we actually need is the one thing technology can never give us:

**Love.**

**God's fathomless love.**



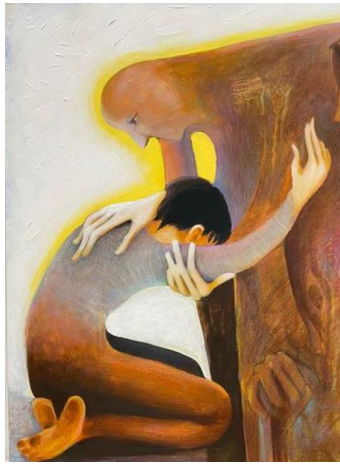
God is unknowable. What little we know of God is what he chooses to reveal to us.

***How unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out.***

*Romans 11*

**But we can know his love.**

**A love that lifts us out of darkness into light.**



***For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,  
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3)***

Love that never forgets a sparrow.

Love that numbers every hair on our head, every breath we have ever taken.

Love that wraps us in its arms as we read these words.

***“I am the living bread which came down from heaven;  
if any one eats of this bread, he will live for ever.” (John 6)***

**God’s ways are a mystery....**

**..... but his love never ends.**



*Prayer: Lord, we admit that some of us choose technology over you. We look to it for answers and solutions, for entertainment, we nurture cynicism and bitterness with it by seeking others who corroborate with us and scorning those who differ. But mostly we distract ourselves.... repeatedly distract ourselves.... from your living, loving, caring presence. Lord, forgive us for choosing loveless, lifeless technology over you. Rescue us from the coldness, emptiness, and despair we keep choosing. Lift us from this darkness. Return us to the love that keeps calling out to us, the love that cares about every breath we take. May we choose once again the living bread and the life you offer us as we let go of our devices to embrace you and melt into your loving arms..*

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