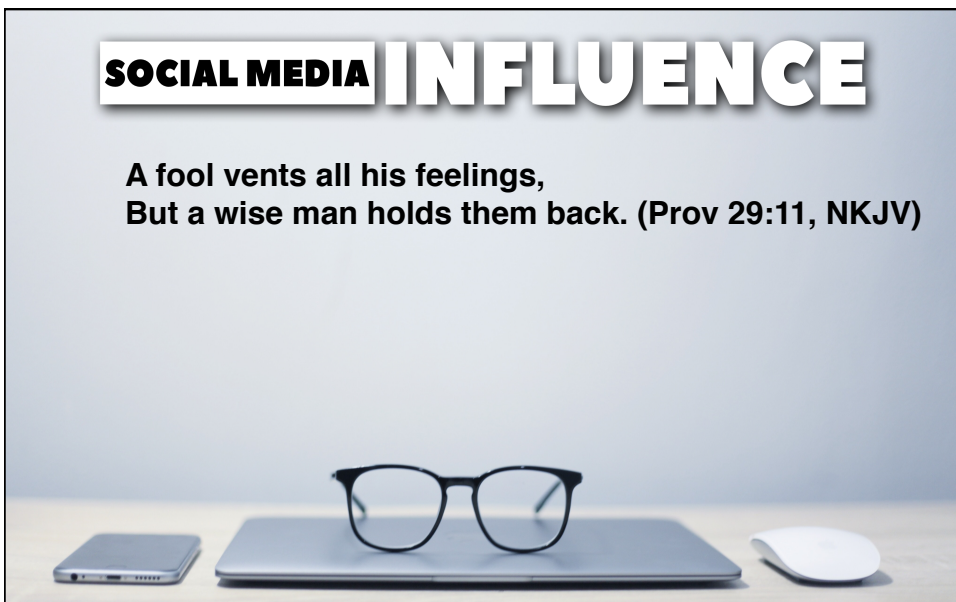


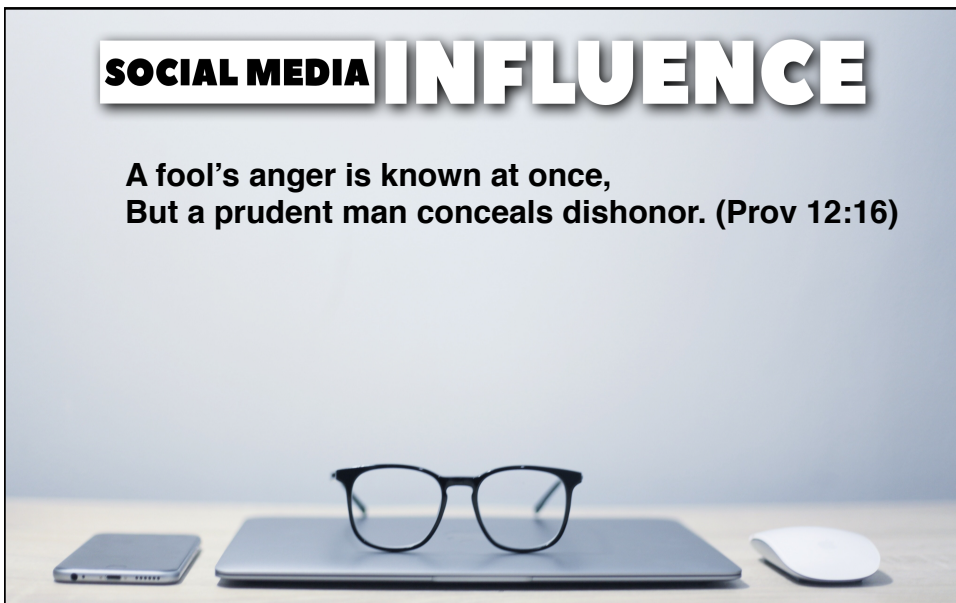
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**A fool vents all his feelings,
But a wise man holds them back. (Prov 29:11, NKJV)**



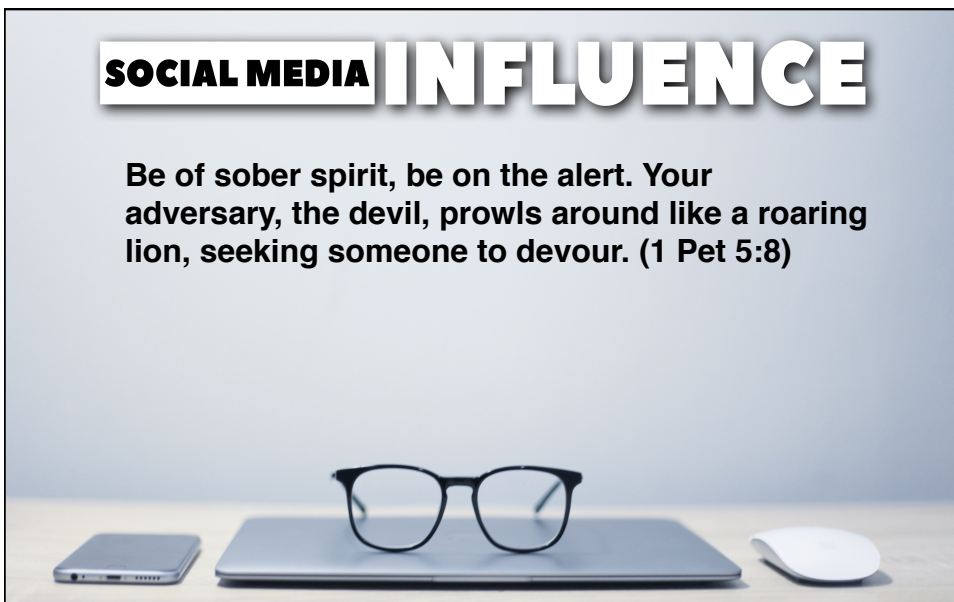
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**A fool's anger is known at once,
But a prudent man conceals dishonor. (Prov 12:16)**



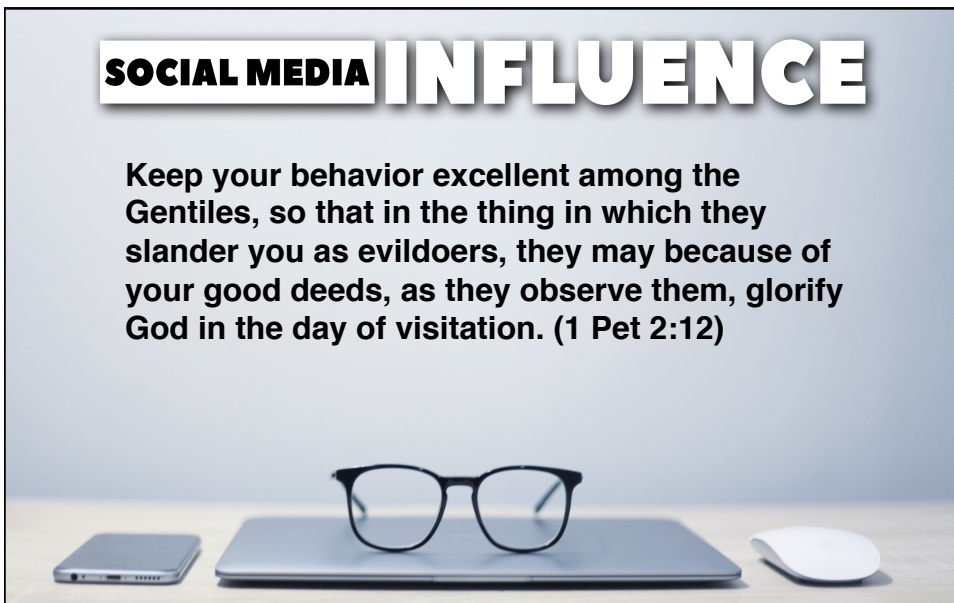
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Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. (1 Pet 5:8)



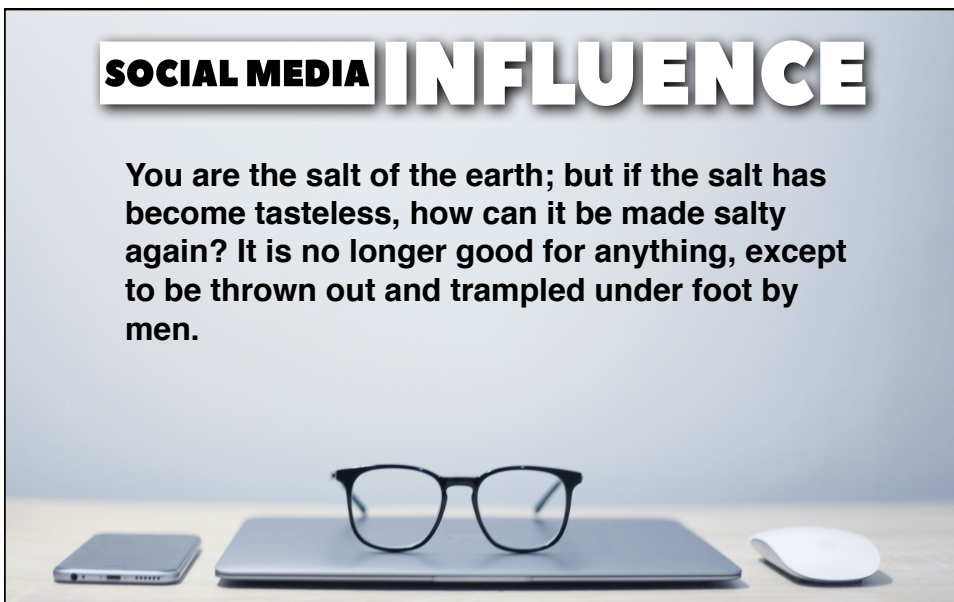
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Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles, so that in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers, they may because of your good deeds, as they observe them, glorify God in the day of visitation. (1 Pet 2:12)



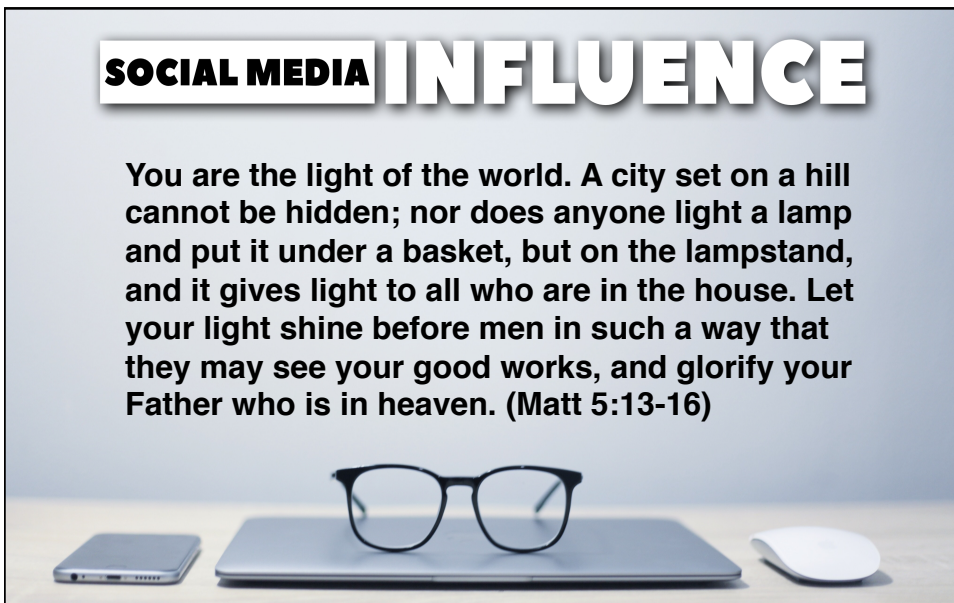
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You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt has become tasteless, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled under foot by men.



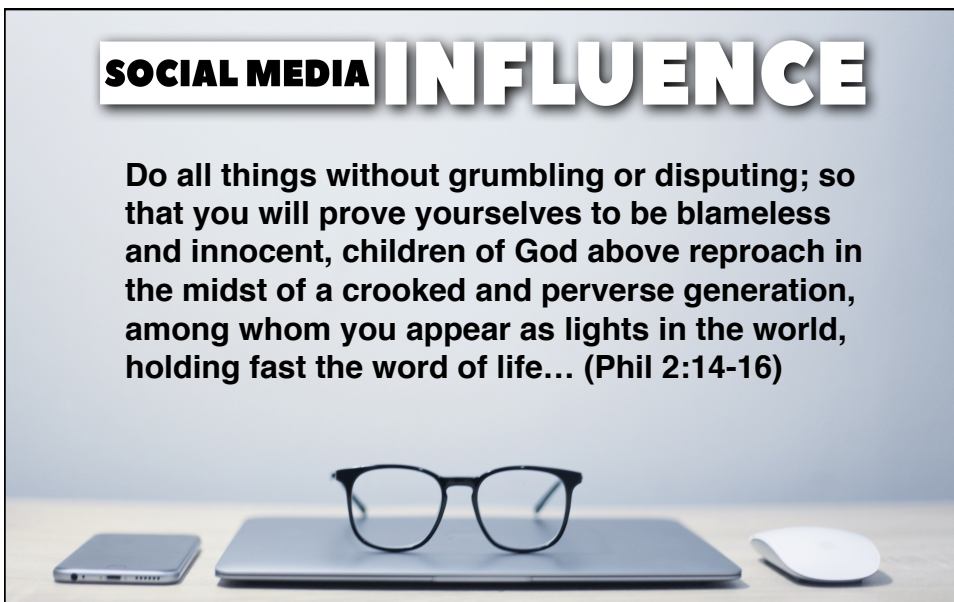
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You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven. (Matt 5:13-16)



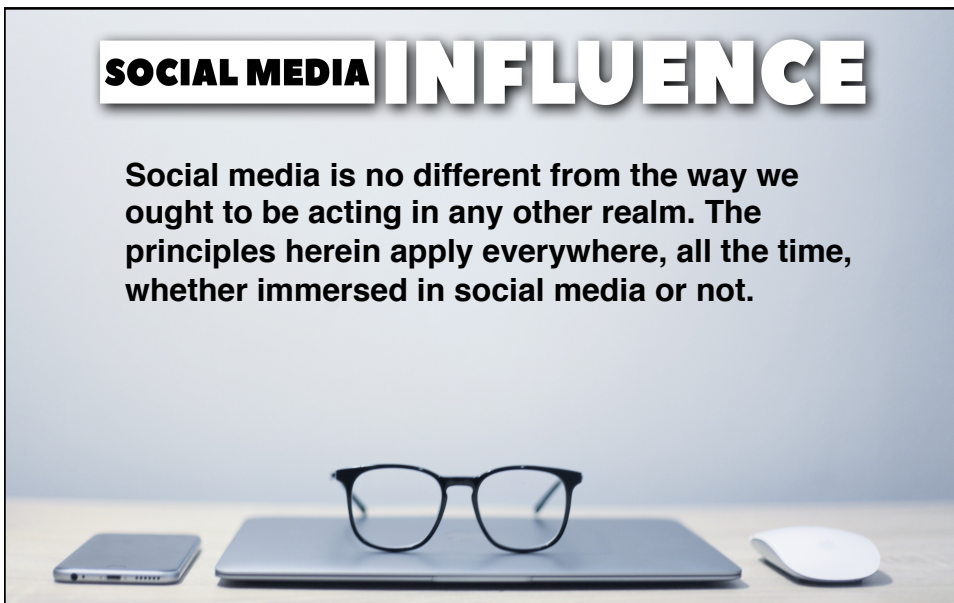
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Do all things without grumbling or disputing; so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life... (Phil 2:14-16)



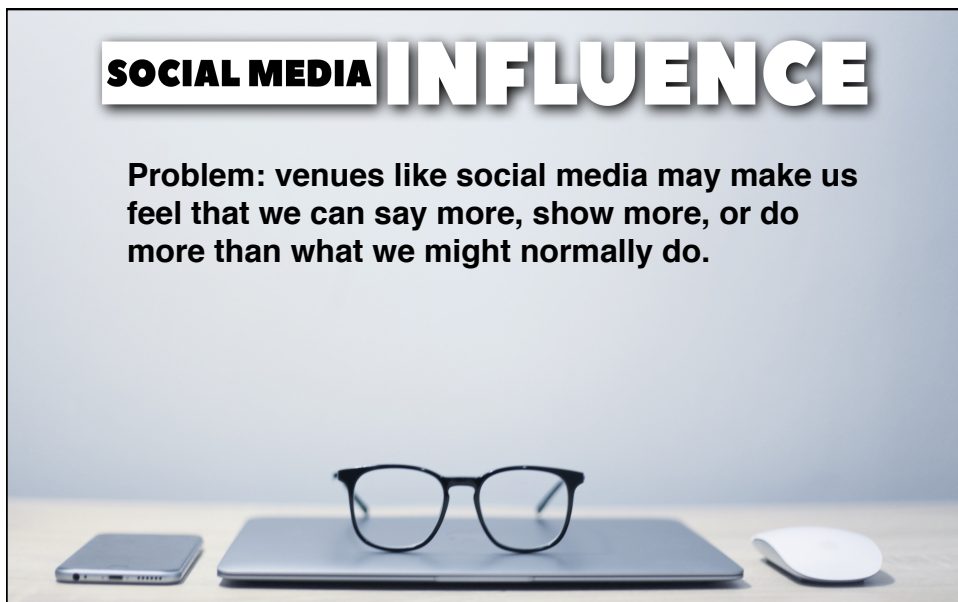
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Social media is no different from the way we ought to be acting in any other realm. The principles herein apply everywhere, all the time, whether immersed in social media or not.



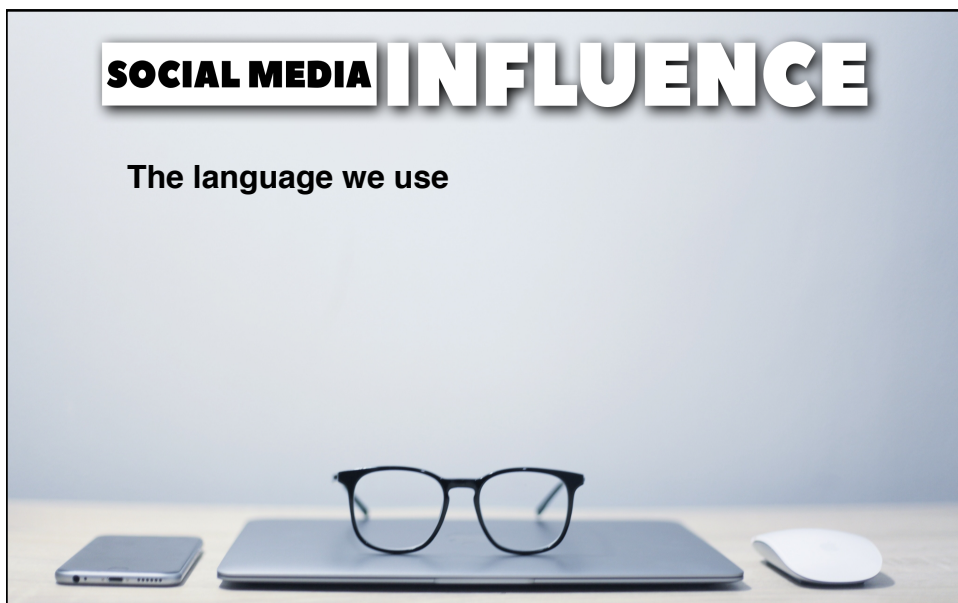
SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE

Problem: venues like social media may make us feel that we can say more, show more, or do more than what we might normally do.



SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE

The language we use



SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE

But immorality or any impurity or greed must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints; and there must be no filthiness and silly talk, or coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. (Eph 5:3-4)



SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE

Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or make the tree bad and its fruit bad; for the tree is known by its fruit. You brood of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak what is good? For the mouth speaks out of that which fills the heart. The good man brings out of his good treasure what is good; and the evil man brings out of his evil treasure what is evil. But I tell you that every careless word that people speak, they shall give an accounting for it in the day of judgment. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.”



SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE

The pictures we show

What activities does it show us involved in?

Do we show appropriate dress?

Modest? Fitting for those professing godliness?



SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE

The topics we discuss

Are they appropriate for Christians?

Do they show undue obsession with worldly ideas?

Do they show that we think about worldly matters more than spiritual matters?



SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE

Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. (Col 3:1-3)



SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE

Compared to...

Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them; for it is disgraceful even to speak of the things which are done by them in secret. (Eph 5:11-12)



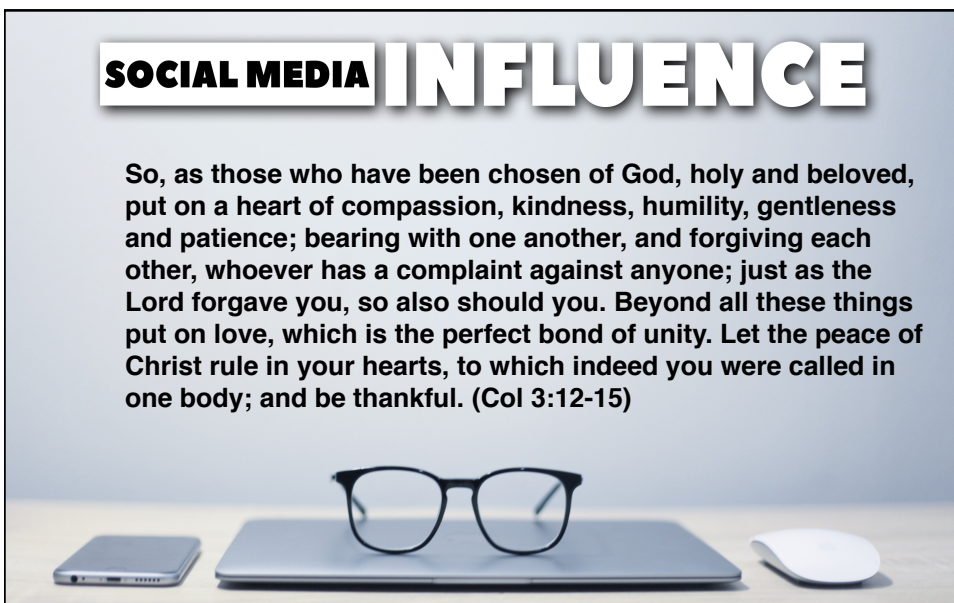
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The attitudes we display



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So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you. Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful. (Col 3:12-15)



SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE

The causes we support



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The causes we support

**But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness,
and all these things will be added to you. (Matt 6:33)**



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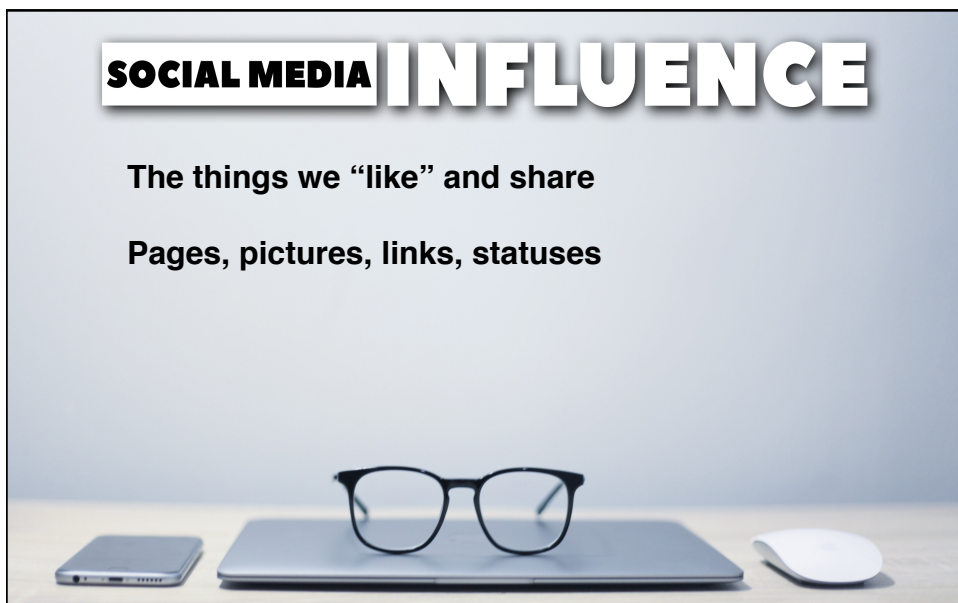
The things we like and share



SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE

The things we “like” and share

Pages, pictures, links, statuses



SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE

What good can we do?

We can talk about Jesus and His Word

We can build up and edify

We can encourage thinking on things above

We can show support for truth and godly people

We can pray for others

We can have fun within the boundaries of right



SOCIAL MEDIA INFLUENCE

Just like in any other area of life!

Are you using your influence to point people to God and His word?

Are you willing to share it with Jesus?

