

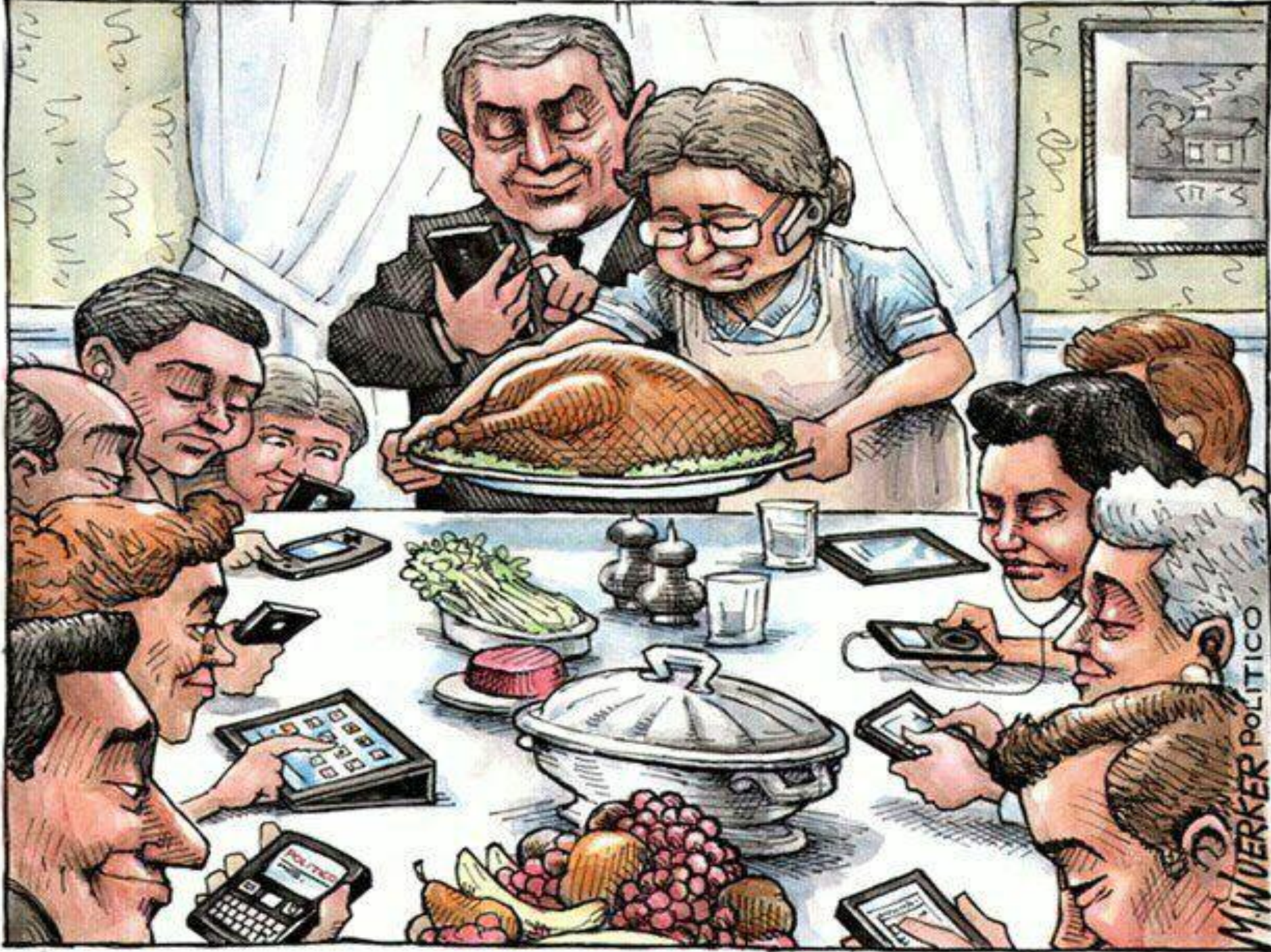


Social Media And The Christian

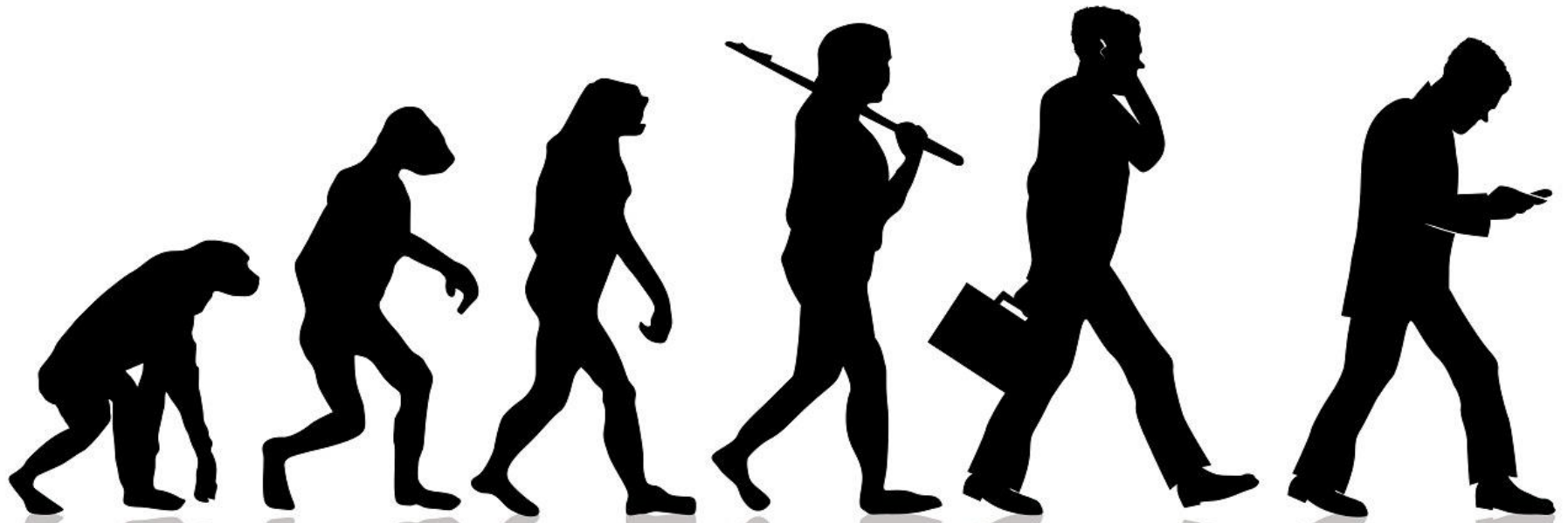








THE EVOLUTION OF SOCIAL MEDIA



Crunching The Numbers

Daily Phone Usage

- 2 hours and 51 minutes
- 86 hours a month
- 4 hours 5 minutes (College Students)
- 90% is social media/entertainment

At this rate the average person will spend more than 5 years of their life on their phones and/or mobile devices





DESIGNED ADDICTION

Newsfeeds and videos never end
Notices appeal to our need for approval
Numerous choices per page or window
Push notifications constantly remind us
The appeal to outrage is constant

JAMES 1:27

(p 1386)



DISCONNECT TO RECONNECT

1. Log your family usage.

Battery usage check; kids data usage

Ephesians 5:15-16 (p 1346)

2. Recognize the signs of ADDICTION.



Are You an Addict?

- ✓ Panic without it
- ✓ Phantom pulses
- ✓ Checking it late at night
- ✓ You're on it while eating with others
- ✓ Text neck
- ✓ Texting/surfing while driving
- ✓ Someone has talked to you about it

***2 Timothy 3:1-3
(p 1367)***





DISCONNECT TO RECONNECT

3. Actively avoid what is worthless

Psalm 101:1-3 (p 689)



**YOU CAN MAKE HIM WASTE HIS TIME NOT ONLY
IN CONVERSATION HE ENJOYS WITH PEOPLE
WHOM HE LIKES, BUT IN CONVERSATIONS WITH
THOSE HE CARES NOTHING ABOUT ON SUBJECTS
THAT BORE HIM. YOU CAN MAKE HIM DO
NOTHING AT ALL FOR LONG PERIODS. YOU CAN
KEEP HIM UP LATE AT NIGHT, NOT [PARTYING],
BUT STARING AT A DEAD FIRE IN A COLD ROOM.**

**"I NOW SEE THAT I SPENT MOST OF MY LIFE IN
DOING NEITHER WHAT I OUGHT NOR WHAT I
LIKED"**

THE SCREWTAPE LETTERS BY C. S. LEWIS; PAGES 63-64



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4. Seek true communication

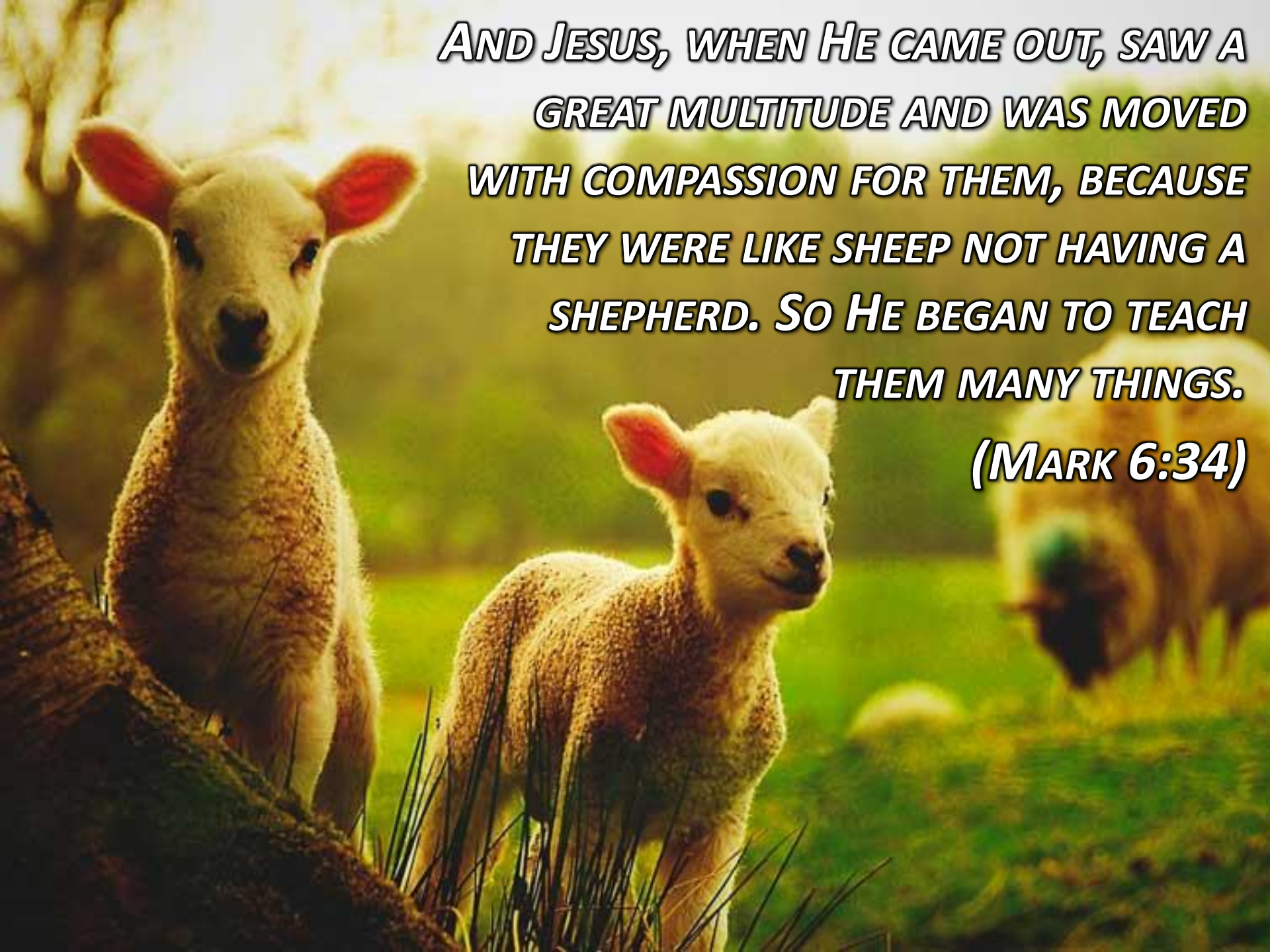
2 John 12; 3 John 14 (pp 1403-1404)



1 Corinthians 6:12 (p 1314)

Matthew 5:29-30 (p 1115)



A photograph of two fluffy white lambs in a green field. One lamb is on the left, looking directly at the camera, and the other is on the right, looking slightly to the right. The background is a soft-focus green field with a tree trunk on the left and a blurred sheep in the distance on the right. The lighting is warm and golden, suggesting a sunset or sunrise.

**AND JESUS, WHEN HE CAME OUT, SAW A
GREAT MULTITUDE AND WAS MOVED
WITH COMPASSION FOR THEM, BECAUSE
THEY WERE LIKE SHEEP NOT HAVING A
SHEPHERD. SO HE BEGAN TO TEACH
THEM MANY THINGS.**

(MARK 6:34)