

**I dream of home**

# Jeremiah 6:16

Thus says the Lord: Stand at the crossroads, and look, and **ASK FOR THE ANCIENT PATHS**, where the good way lies; and walk in it, and **FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS.** NRSV

# WHITHER THE ANCIENT PATH?

JEREMIAH 6:16

# 1 DEFINITIONS

Ancient = Olam = Eternal = Everlasting

The Ancient Path is a way of life that conforms to the will of God as revealed in the Law and the Prophets.

# 2 DIVERSIONS

Broken Cisterns



## 2 DIVERSIONS

But they said,  
We will not  
walk in it.

JEREMIAH 6:16<sup>b</sup>

It's no use. We will follow  
our own plans, Each of us  
will act according to the  
stubbornness of his evil  
heart. JEREMIAH 18:12

secularism  
relativism  
digital media

digital identities  
crypto-currency  
curated news

virtual realities  
metaverse  
metachurch



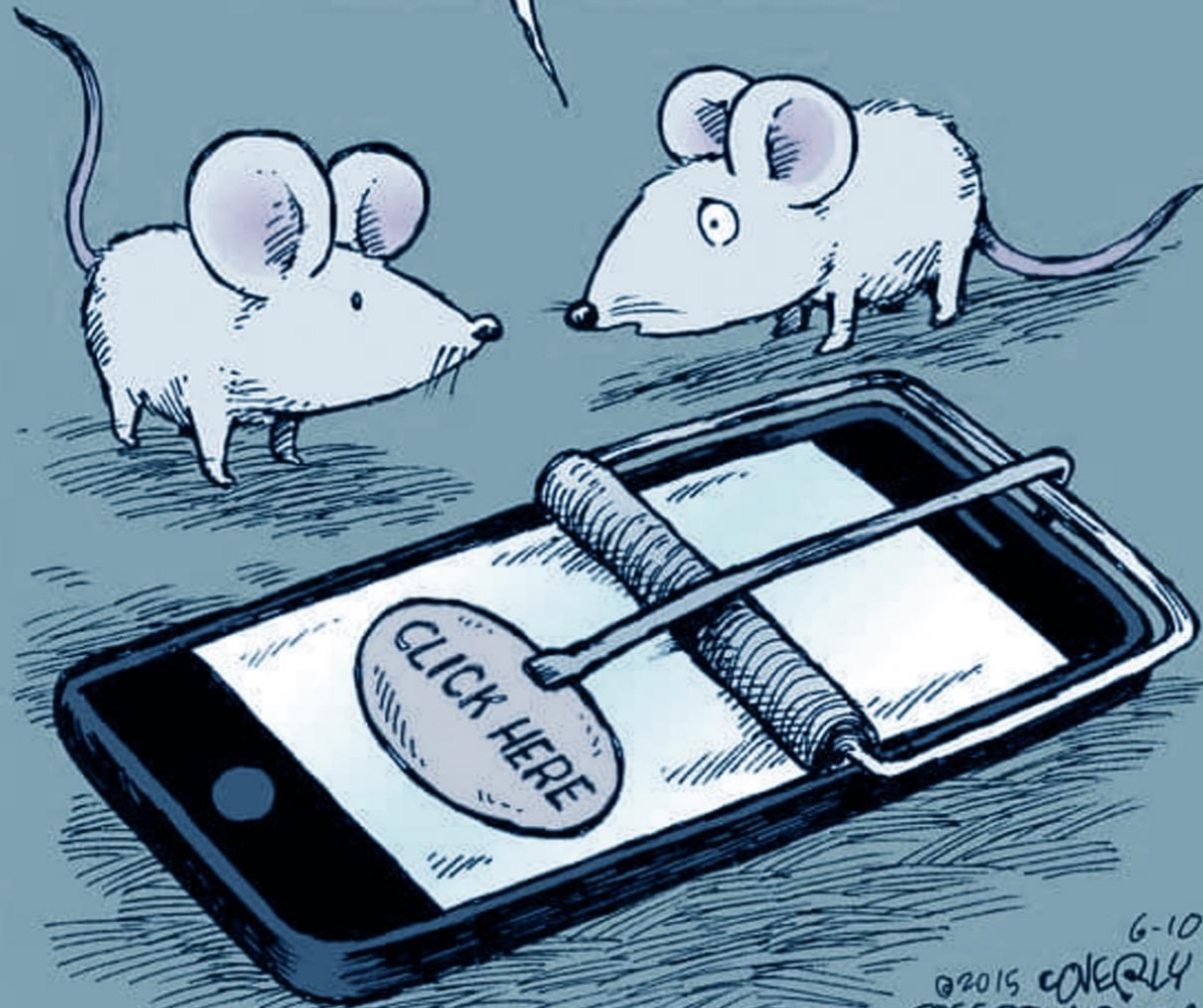
# JACQUES ELLUL

The highest form of freedom is the capacity to recognize the things that control us and the strength and courage to resist them.

JACQUES ELLUL – *The Betrayal by Technology*



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ONE RING TO RULE THEM ALL  
and in the darkness bind them

J.R.R. TOLKIEN

# THE CREATORS OF SOCIAL MEDIA

How do we consume  
as much of your time  
and attention as possible?

# THE CREATORS OF SOCIAL MEDIA

Exploit a  
vulnerability  
in the human  
psyche:

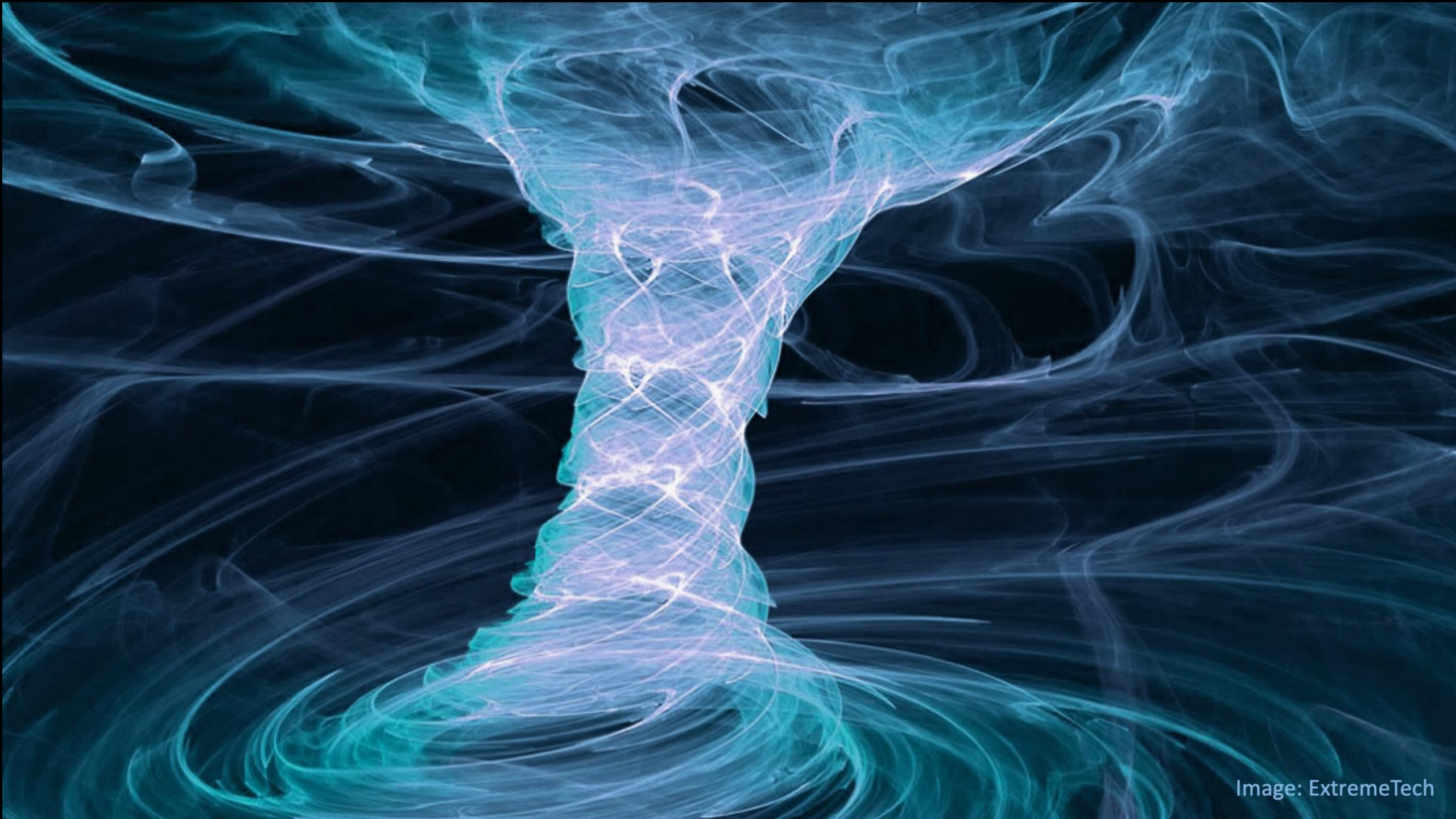
**The constant  
Need for  
Social  
Validation**

# SEAN PARKER

AND WE DID IT ANYWAY,  
and God only knows what it is doing  
to our children's brains.

# THOMAS MERTON

We live in a society whose whole policy is to **EXCITE EVERY NERVE** in the body and keep it at the highest pitch, to **STRAIN EVERY DESIRE** to the limit, and to create as many new desires as possible, in order to cater to them with the products of our factories and printing presses and movie studios.



# 3 DIRECTIONS

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden.... Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me... and you will **FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS.**

MATTHEW 11:29 ESV



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JEREMIAH 6:16 RSV

# DIRECTIONS

- SLOW DOWN

Hurry is not OF the devil.

Hurry IS the devil. CARL JUNG

**TIME IS NOT MONEY!**

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- SEARCH YOUR HEART

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- **SIMPLIFY YOUR LIFE**

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Let those who deal with the world live as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away. 1 CORINTHIANS 7:31

# DIRECTIONS

- Slow down
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- Simplify your life
- **SET YOUR COMPASS**

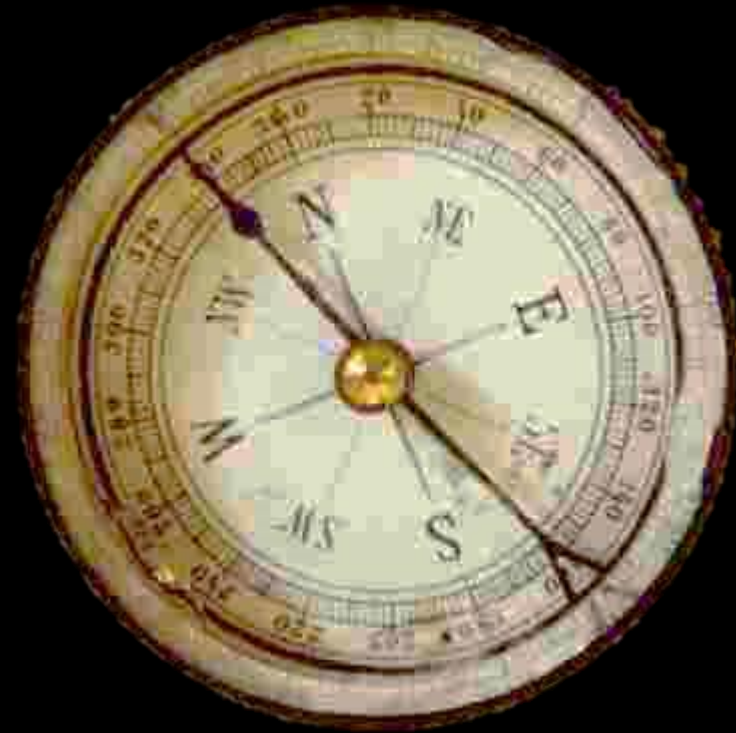


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# DIRECTIONS

- Slow down
- Search your heart
- Simplify your life
- Set your compass
- **STAY ON COURSE**

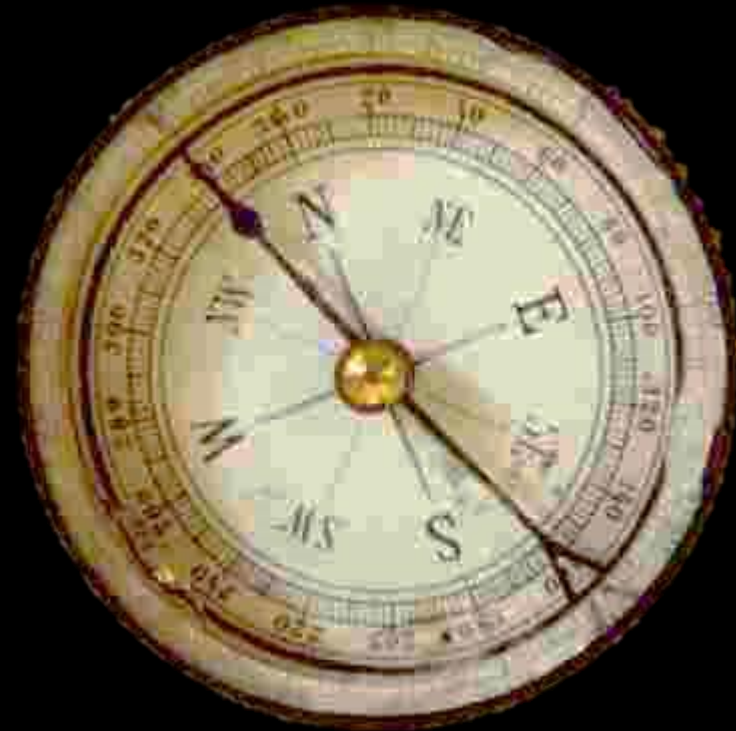


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Lord, you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless  
until they find rest in you.

SAINT AUGUSTINE



# Response

- Slow down
- Search your heart
- Simplify your life
- Set your compass
- Stay the course

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