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# A River Runs Through It

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The assault of media on our hearts and minds.

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# Understanding INFLUENCE

- “influir” = literally to flow into
  - Do you really think you’re not being influenced by TV, music, and movies?
  - Acts 26:24 Festus addressed Paul: “Your great learning is driving you mad!”
    - I Kings 11: 1-6
    - Nehemiah 13: 23-26
    - I Corinthians 15:33
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## The Philippians 4:8 Filtering System:

- “Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things.”
  - Which of the soap operas, sitcoms, or prime time dramas pass through this filter?
  - What about the songs you enjoy?
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Like busy beavers, we need to build some dams to protect us from the raging river.

- Proverbs 25: 28

- “Like a city that is broken into and without walls is a man who has no control over his spirit.”

- We can refuse entrance to those things which might hurt us.

- Acts 10:14 “By no means, Lord, for I have never eaten anything holy or unclean.”

- Acts 19: 18-20

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