



## **FAILED CONNECTION**

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We've probably all seen those messages from our electronic devices that tell us our specific device has failed to connect. What if a failure to connect becomes a reality in our lives?

I have recently been surprised by the number of teens, tweens, and young adults I've come into contact with who, after being asked if they've spent any time with their friends and family, have responded with some form of no, we talk via text, Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter. The conversation quickly turns to how many of their "friends" on social media have liked or commented on the latest picture they've posted.

When texting and social media begins to take the place of in-person connection, a false sense of connectivity forms. Texting and social media have many advantages, however they can't be the main source, nor can they take the place of connecting with one another.

Today, I encourage you to have some real-life face time with someone you know.