

## Four Focusing Questions to Save Time with Social Media

The way to keep social media simple is to be selective.

Social Media can be overwhelming. Don't get me wrong: I love social media.

Social Media exists for three reasons:

- 1. to connect with people
- 2. to share with others
- 3. to learn from others

If you feel like you are spending too much time with social media,

## Ask yourself these questions:

- 1. Why do I want to go to this social media site?
- 2. Is this site more conducive to broadcasting or engaging in a network of people?
- 3. What's the benefit of this social media site to me?
- 4. Am I looking to pass the time using a social media?

## Here are the Apps I use:

- Instagram. I love taking pictures. I love learning form others. Some great connections have been made over the last years.
- I use the free <u>Buffer App</u> to schedule the sharing of things I think are important. This saves me lot's of time and I don't have to be online all day.
- I used the <u>JustUnfollow</u> service to unfollow some people on <u>Twitter</u> whom I had no idea why I was following. A cleaner twitter stream means I'm less likely to miss out on what my friends have to say when I log in to join the conversation.
- Hootsuite. I enjoy being involved in chats, and answering and asking questions online. I
  respond to nearly everything...just not necessarily the very second you contact me.
- My goal is to check in on Twitter and <u>Facebook</u> at least twice a day to keep the conversation going.

I've turned off notifications on my phone for my Social Media apps. By having these social media apps off on my <u>iPhone</u> means I'm fully present locally but able to connect without distraction online when I do log in each day.

Tell me...How do you keep social media simple?

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