The Controlled | Censored Internet

I assume most of us have had either primary or secondary experiences toward this end of the World Wide Web being very controlled. If one departs too far from what is considered standard, problems emerge. Here are a few categories where restrictive control is, without dispute, in place:

Operating and Software Systems	The few main computer giants have control in this: If you are not willing to use their software in the way they dictate, one runs the risk of penalty, including not being able to use the software at all. I'll use one (of many) software-provider examples in order to make my point. Years ago, when one purchased a computer, the operating system and office software (if also purchased) did not require an annual fee. Once you had the software, it was usable through the life of the computer. Today, lease contracts rule the day, ones which aren't so free. And what of "online updates" ? The online control in this category alone, if one thinks about it, is huge.
Browsers	Once again, as further control over the Internet was secured, browsers gained a piece in the pie of possible censorship. Payments to place one's Internet URL at the top of a search list exist. If one does not have this *service*, one's web information takes a back seat when search lists appear. This is a mild example of control	censorship.
Web Services	There are multiple tiers of control here.

	Administrative Control	All I need say here is ICANN. If you fail to meet their standard as to what it takes to be present on the Internet, watch out, one may be *cancelled* !
	Web URL and web site providers	One Web service – which continues to bring oversight of both URL and web site efforts – requires this and that in order to keep both services "active." They even had a category titled "special rules compliant" in their rules. (I notice that I am no longer seeing this category. Is it perhaps due to clear overreach on freedom of speech?)

Social Media	Clearly, with many Social Media providers, it's *their way or the highway.* IF one goes too far outside of <u>their</u> box which <u>they</u> deem appropriate, censorship may take place. Examples have especially emerged in the political arena. Moral and spiritual censorship also exists. Is it now getting to the place where one will be required to use the *woke* language of our day in order to have a continued presence on the Internet? "You've been *cancelled* indeed!"

There are other categories tied to the control of the Internet: Online purchasing, printing, security, issues emerging due to AI authority, et al.   … but I think we've sufficiently made our point.

In CONTRAST to the bondages extended by those who control, God's oversight of humanity is freedom-filled. God allows one to say anything. If he "blasphemes," it's allowed. If she freely talks in a certain way, it's allowed. (Members of he/she humanity should also note: There will be a day of accounting.)
In conclusion, we ask: Do you like the new *techno-bondages* of our so-called superior society, really!?