

# Remote Controls Are An Important Part of Any Home System!

*Does shuffling many remotes just to watch the evening news frustrate you?*

*Do your kids ask you to “fix” the television after they press the wrong button and static comes up on the screen?*

*Does your living room look like remote control display store?*

If you answered yes to any of these questions Current Concepts has a solution to simplify your system!

Current Concepts has installed many control systems where there are four, five or six remotes required operate the entertain system. A universal remote control is often considered an afterthought or as an option. It should be considered an integral part of the system.

There are two types of remote controls. The first is a basic universal remote where you can control all of your equipment from one remote, but it is simply combining the functions from multiple remotes into one.

If you want to watch a DVD, you would probably need to do something like this:

Step 1 - Select TV button on the remote, then turn on the television, then select the proper input.

Step 2 - Select Receiver button on the remote, then turn it on, then select the DVD input.

Step 3 - Select DVD button on the remote, then turn it on, then press play.

While this type of system does decrease the amount of remotes on your coffee table it does not make the system easy to operate!

Because of this reason Current Concepts installs activity based radio frequency (RF) remotes. With this remote you simply press the activity button you would like to watch. Example: If you would like to watch a DVD you simply press the DVD button – the remote control system takes care of all the functions you would normally need to do like: Turn on the TV to the proper input, Turn on the DVD player, Turn on the receiver to the proper input, and adjust the volume to a present level. In this case you don't really need to understand or remember any details about the system. **You simply press one button and the remote does the rest!**

## A Radio Frequency Option

The vast majority of remote controls use infrared (IR). IR is limited to line-of-sight between the equipment and remote control. This limitation does not allow remote storage of the equipment behind closed cabinet doors or remote location of the equipment. An RF-capable system can go through cabinet doors and walls. Everything but the display can be hidden in a cabinet or closet and you can still operate it with the remote. This is a request of many of today's homeowners.