

Sunday Meeting at SCF ~ 23/2/20

Embracing the call to change

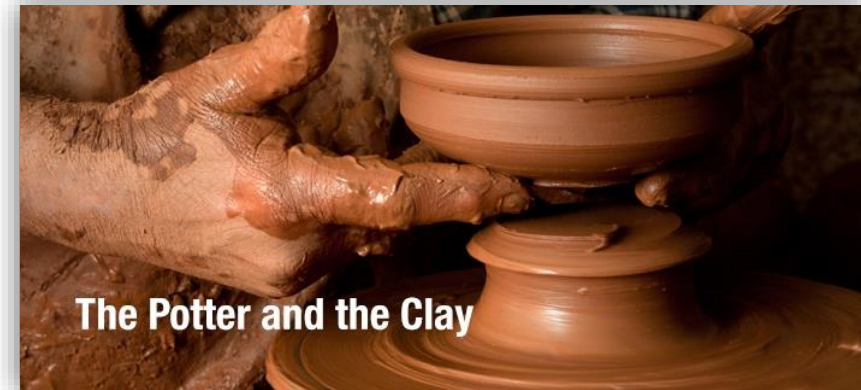


***be transformed... from glory to glory...
by the Spirit of the Lord....***

2 Corinthians 3:18

God is calling us to embrace change

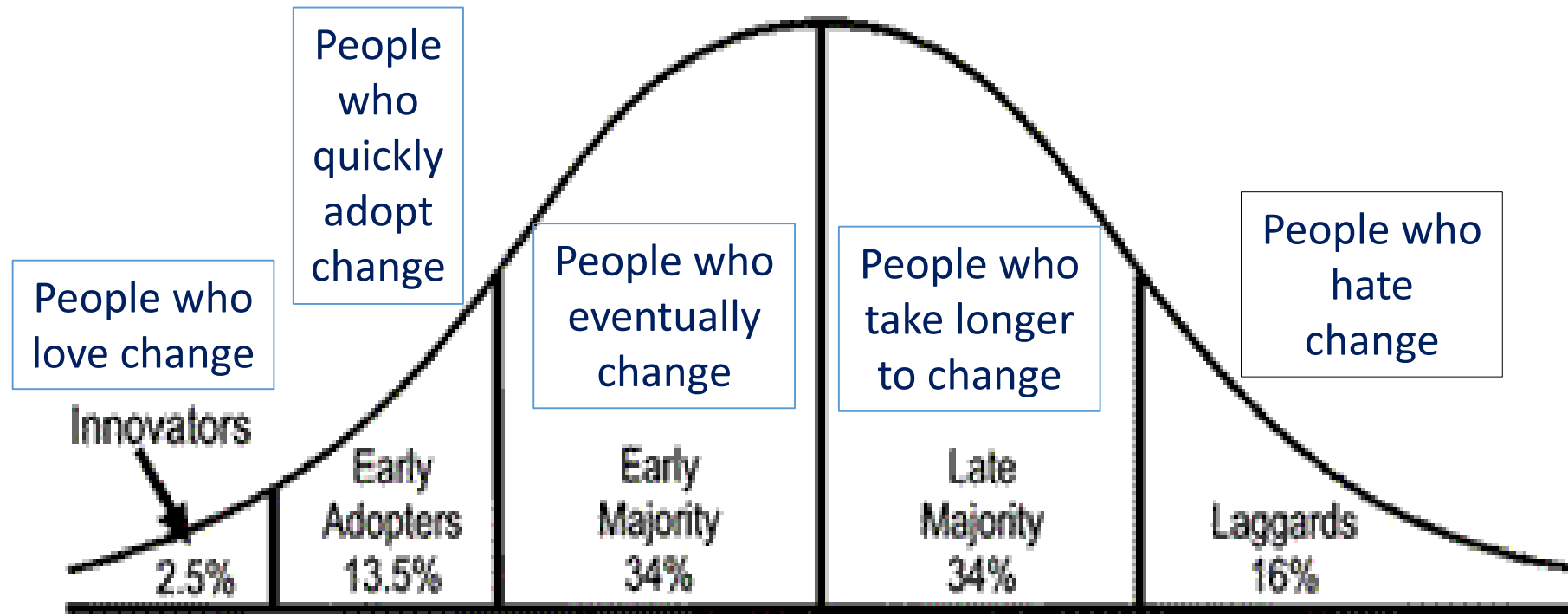
- “But we all, with our face having been unveiled, having beheld the glory of the Lord as in a mirror, are being changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.” 2 COR. 3:18
- “Be doers of the word and not hearers only who deceive themselves. If anyone hears the word and doesn’t do it, he is like a man who looks at himself in a mirror, but forgets what he sees.” JAMES 22-24



Difference between 'Chronos' and 'Kairos' Time

- **Chronos** ~ The hours, minutes and seconds of life.
- **Kairos** ~ The opportunities or special moments of significance that we can seize.
- Most people react to whatever life's *chronos* days bring our way. We are channelled along by our routines, schedules and daily patterns.
- God desires to invade our *chronos* with His *kairos* moments – but many Christians are unaware of this, can't hear His voice and miss these opportunities to change.
- He wants to work with your *chronos*, but we need to become attuned.

The Different Rates at which people Adopt Change



Taken from Everett Rogers' book, 'Diffusion of Innovations'

Two key prophetic pictures for SCF



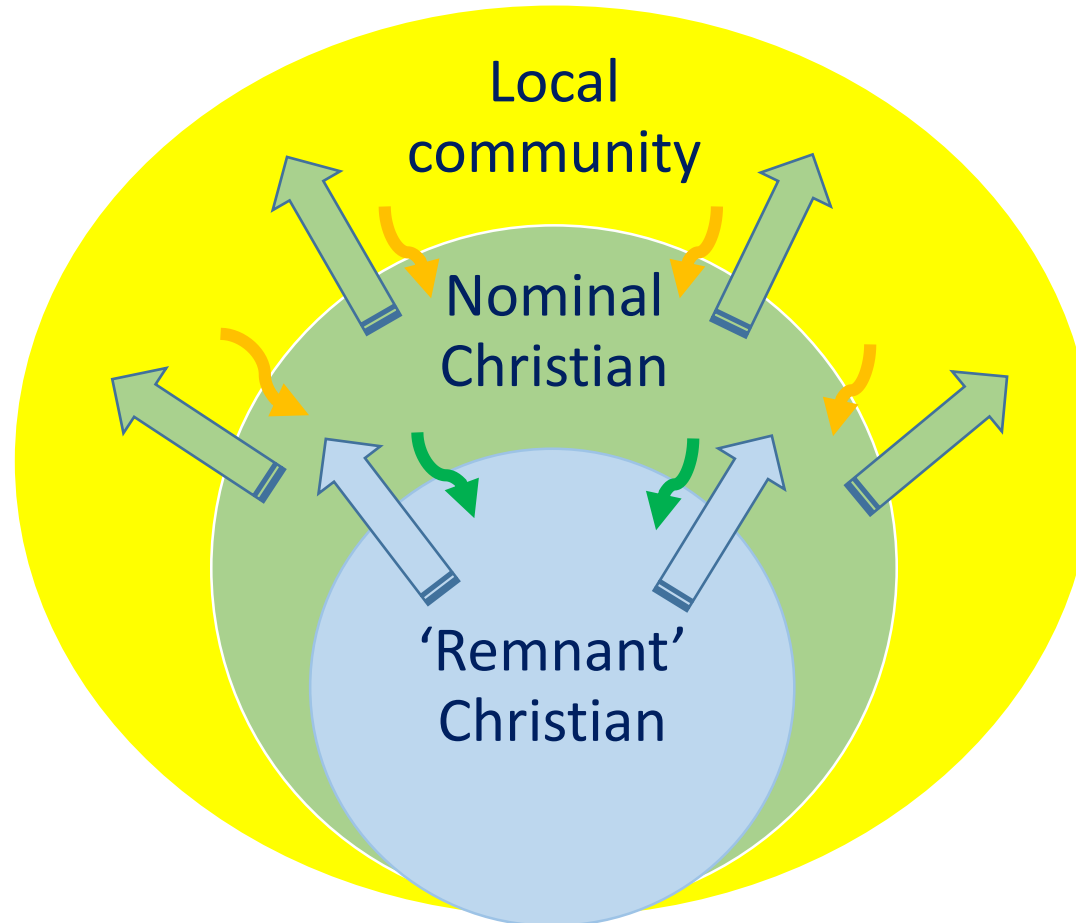


- The DNA of the 'dieing' caterpillar has to call forth a new form to remain alive. It's ***imaginal cells*** within the 'soup' of the chrysalis, begin to '*prophetically*' call into being alternative, '*imagined*' life.
- The remaining 'old guard' cells initially try to attack, silence or paralyse these imaginal cells.
- However, their resilience and hope-filled call eventually gains traction and others are attracted to them and become so transformed.
- Clusters of new, imaginal cells form until a tipping point of critical mass is found. A new life form called a butterfly emerges.

Examples of God's 'remnant principle' in Scripture

- **Noah** ~ led 8 souls to a new world; preserved righteousness. (Genesis 6-8)
- **Abraham** ~ God created a new covenant people through him. (Genesis 12)
- **Moses** ~ Rescued God's people from powerful Egyptian captors. (Exodus 12)
- **Israel** ~ Destined to be a blessing to all the nations despite being small.
- **Gideon** ~ whittled down to 300; conquered a multitude of Midianites (Judges 7)
- **Jesus** ~ taught about the few who enter by the narrow way to find life. (Matt. 7:13-14)
- **Paul** ~ Damascus Road experience; took the gospel to the Gentiles. (Acts)
- **Peter** ~ received revelation; preached it with power; 3000 souls saved. (Acts 2)

The effects of 'remnant' Christians on others



Source: adapted from a diagram in 'Reappearing Church' by Mark Sayers