

Synthesis of 6 Challenges
 Group Discussion
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 Afternoon

Self	Church	World
1. Margin (time)	Institutionalism	Irrelevance
2. Spiritual life		Social issues
3.	E.P.I.C.	

The above are challenges and suggestions that the groups have extracted as solutions to the 6 challenges.

Two groups which have the greatest mastery of E.P.I.C. are Pentecostals and Eastern Orthodox (page 208, 209)

A lot of SDA's think that experiential is only like Pentecostals.

Some of the liturgical churches are very experiential.

- E....Experiential
- P....Participatory
- I....Interactive
- C...Communal

Priest comes in the orthodox religion swinging the censer.

In the earthly sanctuary the use of the censer brought with it the aroma which gave a smell for experiential.

What is the most creative, participatory thing that occurs in your church?

Children collect offering...very participatory activity in the church.

Fixing some of the specifics will not work, but if the Holy Spirit is present, the problems will be taken care of automatically.

Many facets of this pomo culture are more spiritual than my generation.

Young people are more frank in my generation than in past generations.

Apparently, this author, Leonard Sweet, lives on Orcas Island, WA.

The things that matter has power to this generation.

Jon: I really believe that this generation responds to spirituality and to us, if we are people of God.

The Tipping Point, by Malcolm Gladwell—how little things can make a big difference.

A small group of people who are clear minded and have a vision can make a real difference.

The danger: those talking about change are rejected and we wonder if our church will throw out the baby with the bath water.