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Change isn't always bad – it's _____; a sign of _____

The _____ - changing

"But you remain the same, and your years will never end."
Psalms 102: 27

"I the LORD do not change ..." Malachi 3:6

"The world and its desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever." 1 John 2:17

"For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal." 2 Corinthians 4:18

The _____-changing

This _____

"In the beginning you laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment. Like clothing you will change them and they will be discarded."
Psalm 102:25,26

"But in keeping with His promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness." 2 Peter 3:13

Our _____

"I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 18:3

"And we...are being transformed into his likeness with ever increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit." 2 Corinthians 3:18

FACING CHANGES Psalm 102:25-28; Isaiah 46:3-5 March 9, 2008
What to do when things will never be the same again.

Navigating Changes

1. Understanding the _____ - embracing a process

_____ is situational, external & often immediate

_____ is attitudinal, internal, & often drawn out

three overlapping stages

An _____

The _____

It's the place between _____...

KEY POINT -- People tend to want to _____ this stage or _____ through.

A good transition requires you to sojourn in this land.

New _____

Can only be _____ not scheduled.

2. Making the journey _____

More important than knowing change principles is relying on the Lord's _____.

"Listen to me...you whom I have upheld since you were conceived, an have carried since your birth. Even to your old age and gray hairs I am he, I am he who will sustain you. I have made you and I will carry you...and I will rescue you."
Isaiah 46:3-4

When a pastor departs it's a rich time for a congregation to _____ its mission & vision.

You're not just in a search process but a _____ process, make the most of it.