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Go Deep
The Spirituality of the Beatles
In My Life
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How do you handle change?

- *“The only difference between a rut and a grave is their dimensions.”*
- *“If you don’t like change, you’re going to like irrelevance less.”*
- *Change? I don’t like it. Not one bit.*
- *“‘Life belongs to the living, and he who lives must be prepared for changes.’ Johann Wolfgang von Goethe”*

John Lennon wrote “In My Life” as a song of reflection. In the song, he speaks of change.

What change in your lifetime do you most appreciate? What change in your lifetime do you wish never happened?

What changes in church have you noticed in your lifetime?

Read Mark 1:15.

When you hear the word “repent,” what ideas come to your mind?

The Greek word for “repent” literally means “to change your mind, your perspective, your thinking.”

“Change your thinking, change your mind” is the first message Jesus delivered.

About what topics did Jesus change peoples’ thinking? On what topics have you changed your thinking?

Read Jeremiah 13:23. Jeremiah talks about “learning to do evil.”

Nelson Mandela said, *“People must learn to hate. And if they can learn to hate, they must be taught to love.”* The lyrics of “You’ve Got to Be Carefully Taught” from the musical “South Pacific” (1949) go like this: *You’ve got to be taught before it’s too late. Before you are six or seven or eight. To hate all the people your relatives hate. You’ve got to be carefully taught.”*

Do you believe the message of these sources? That we learn to hate?

Read 1 John 4:18. *How does John’s statement align with the above quotes?*

What in your life needs to be “cast out - thrown out” by love?