

**THE TIMES  
THEY ARE  
A-CHANGIN'  
BOB  
DYLAN**

THE LONESOME DEATH OF HATTIE CARROLL  
BOOTS OF SPANISH LEATHER  
RESTLESS FAREWELL / WITH GOD ON OUR SIDE  
THE TIMES THEY ARE A-CHANGIN'  
ONLY A PAWN IN THEIR GAME  
WHEN THE SHIP COMES IN / ONE TOO MANY MORNINGS  
BALLAD OF HOLLIS BROWN / NORTH COUNTRY BLUES



COMPACT  
**disc**  
DIGITAL AUDIO  
DIGITALLY MASTERED  
ANALOG RECORDING

More on  
Change  
Joshua  
3:1-6

# SATELLITE DATA: 1993-PRESENT

Data source: Satellite sea level observations.  
Credit: NASA Goddard Space Flight Center

RATE OF CHANGE

↑ 3.41  
mm per year



# Processing Change can be Stressful

- Not knowing the outcome can create in us a level of stress including
- Physical symptoms – tension, headaches, lack of sleep, change in appetite
- Emotional symptoms – irritable, weepy, angry
- Psychological symptoms – over thinking, lack of focus, low mood, anxiousness
- Spiritual symptoms – Fear, worry, doubt, faith

But without Change?

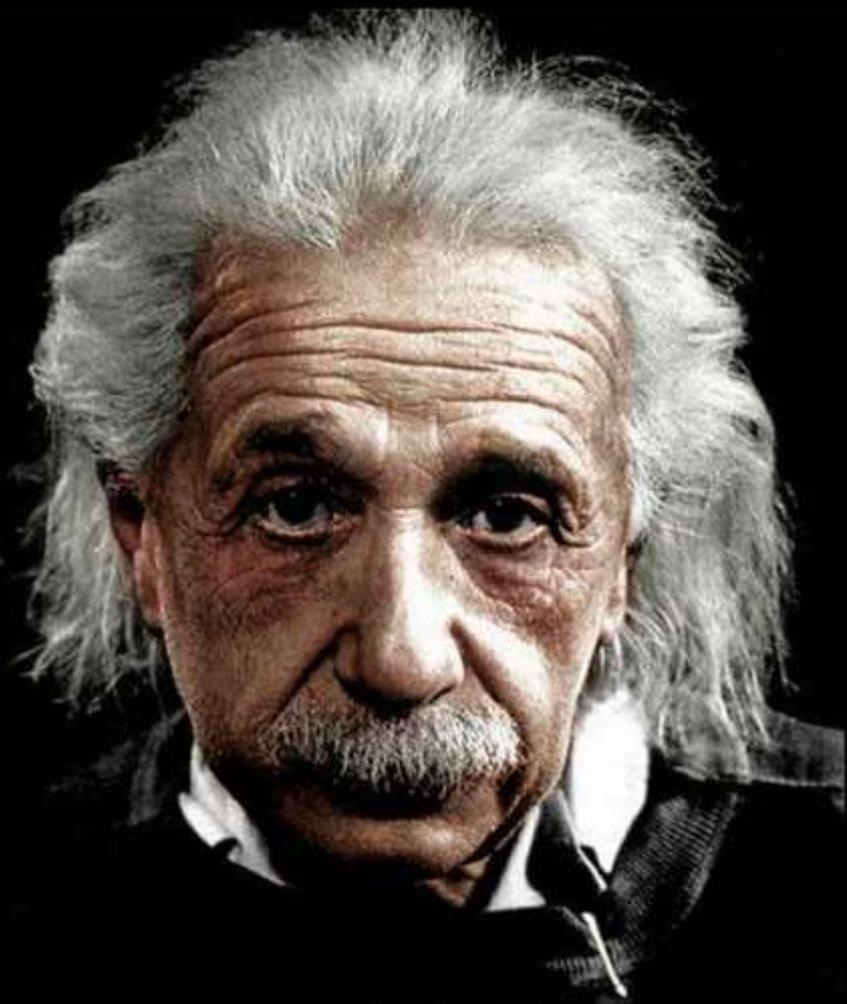
If you always do what  
you've always done

You'll always get what  
you've always got

**Insanity:**

doing the same thing over  
and over again and  
expecting different results.

Albert Einstein



# God calls us to change

**Faith is stepping out into the unknown with nothing to guide us but a hand just beyond our grasp.**

**~Frederick Buechner**

# Extending our experience of God



Not knowing can be the difficult bit



Play the  
What-If  
Game



# Back to Joshua

Joshua 1:9 Be bold and courageous, do not be afraid or dismayed for the Lord your God is with you.

**F-E-A-R: has two meanings:**

1. Forget Everything And Run  
or
2. Face Everything And Rise



**The Choice is Yours!**

# Face your fear

- Perhaps some pictures of dangerous scary things including spiders, heights, making a friend, sharing your story, (speech),

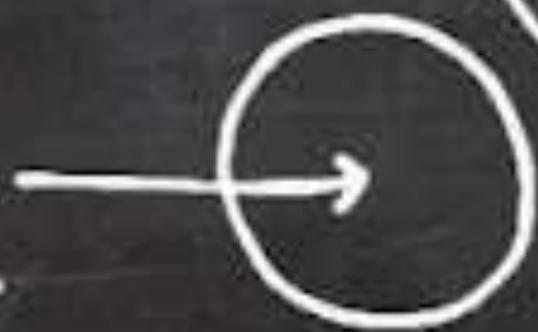


**Remember when you threw a shoe at me  
and I fell somewhere behind the bed?**



**I remember too .**

Your  
Comfort  
Zone



Where the  
magic happens

*Never be afraid  
to trust an unknown future  
to a known God.*

*-Carrie ten Boom-*



# How to face your fear

- Joshua 1:11 – prepare yourself
- Joshua 3:5 – Consecrate, sanctify, set apart, dedicate yourself to God
- How?

# Making a choice, today.

- At the end of Joshua he also calls the people to consecrate themselves by saying

*But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”*

Joshua 24:15

# Will we serve the Lord or...?

- *“gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living”.*
- Easy to judge others but what about considering our own “gods”.
- Comfort, Safety, being liked, Ease, financial freedom, the priesthood, Our Fear, our anxieties, our felt needs

# Choosing to serve the Lord

- Denying self
- Tithing
- Attending church
- Choosing character over safety
- Get involved
- Speak up and speak out positive
- If we say this is awful, guess what,...it is!
- If we say this is hopeful, guess what,...it is!

A dark, atmospheric background featuring a spotlight beam from the top left that illuminates a group of people in silhouette. The scene is dimly lit, with the primary light source being the spotlight, creating a sense of focus and hope.

When anxiety  
overwhelms me,  
**Your Word**  
comforts me  
and  
brings me joy!

- Psalm 94:19

# Believe and you will see

- Consecrate and you will see – Joshua 3:5
- Thomas – John 20:29
- Cleopas – Luke 24:30
- Compare the Pharisees – Mark 15:32 John 6:30
- Psalm 27:13 – I believe I will see the Lord's goodness

# Sanctify Yourself

Trust in the Lord and do good.

Then you will live safely in the land and prosper.  
Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you your  
heart's desires.

Commit everything you do to the Lord.

Trust him, and he will help you.  
He will make your innocence radiate like the dawn,  
and the justice of your cause will shine like the  
noonday sun.

Psalm 37 : 3-6

# So Where too from here?

- We all face change.
- When we do, we have a choice.
- Continue moving forward in faith, return to our fears, or stay in our present state
- God calls us to Face our fears – and repent of our sin of trusting in the “old gods”
- He calls us to consecrate ourselves – dedicate all we are and all we have to him again.

# The last word to Bob

Come writers and critics who prophesy with your pen  
And keep your eyes wide the chance won't come again  
And don't speak too soon for the wheel's still in spin  
And there's no tellin' who that it's namin'  
For the loser now will be later to win  
For the times they are a' changin'!

