

The Dandelion - September 2021

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We are moving into the season of scattered kingdom seeds.

In the previous era the church was like an attractional dandelion flower. Drawing people to us by offering nectar to drink.

And people would come, attracted by what

Jesus could do for them. Taste and see that the Lord is good! And sometimes, from this holding place of experiencing the goodness of God, they would then receive the fullness of the gospel and come into the kingdom. Other times, they would have their fill, like the feeding of the four thousand, then go away again, looking for other attractive flowers (John 6:26).

Then came the pandemic and we closed up due to Covid. The end of the attractional era had come. Like a dandelion closing up, we could no longer attract in the way we once did.

And now, as we reopen everything has changed, as God transforms his church into something that looks completely different.

Church is no longer attractive, but is to become active.

The days of attractive church have passed. Stop trying to attract people by being appealing. The more you try to be attractive to the world, the more compromised you'll become. Accept that the light shines and the darkness cannot either overcome or comprehend it. You don't make sense to darkness!

Awake the kingdom seed in us!

The Lord says, "I am revealing the kingdom seed within you. See and know what you carry again. Just as the dandelion flower transforms into a clock, and the seeds become visible, so I am bringing fresh revelation to my church, of the powerful kingdom seed you carry."

So what is the process?

- Seeds start out a bit stuck

Dandelion seeds start out stuck to their structure. Clinging on and not yet able to be blown free. "Allow me to loosen you and ready you to be blown. I'm going to un-stick you from you're place of being comfortable and stationary. Let me unsettle you. You will start to feel itchy feet to "go" and be scattered abroad."

- The seed parachutes need to soften and become as light as possible so the wind can carry them.

"Just like dandelion parachutes, open yourself fully to my spirit. Adopt a posture of being open, ready and willing to move."

"I'll stand with arms high and heart heart

abandoned" (Hillsong).

Let God lighten you and strip away unnecessary weights and burdens.

"As you let me loosen you, and as you soften and open up to me, my spirit will then blow. You will then become the carriers of my kingdom seed, out into the world."