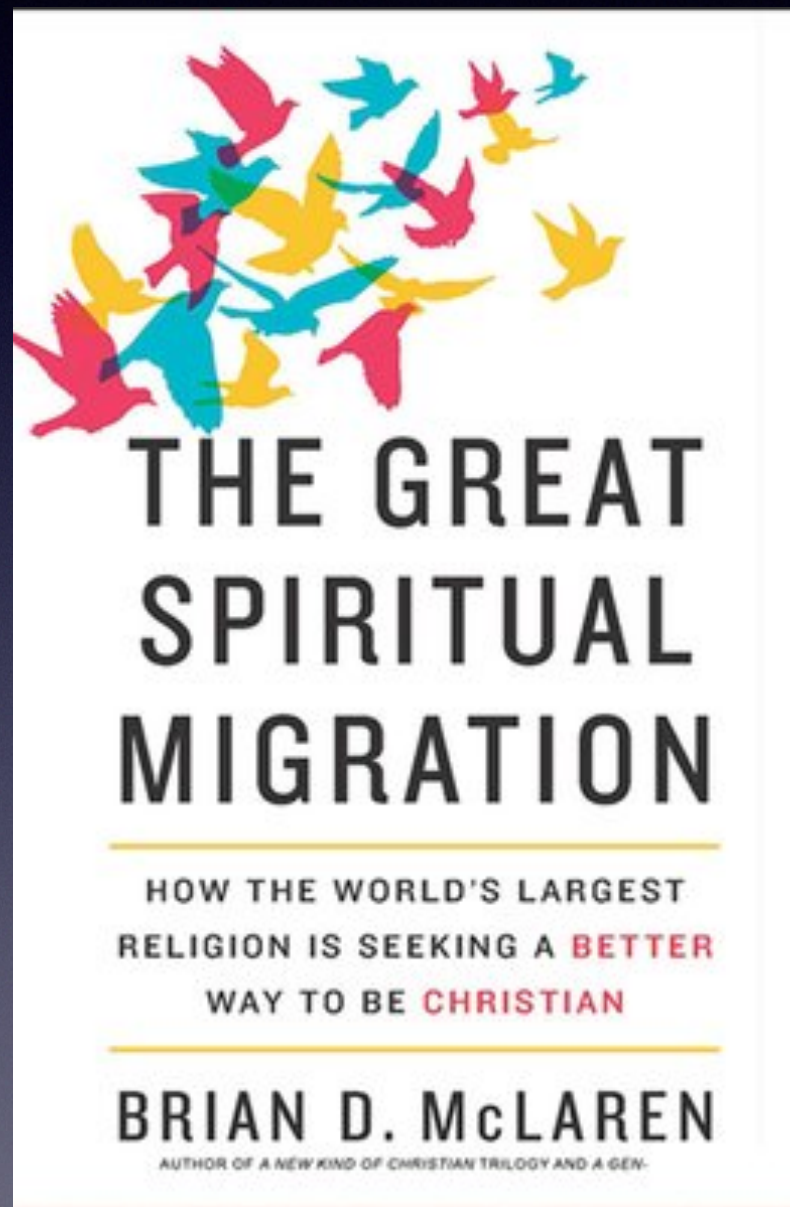


# The Great Spiritual Migration



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## Session # 2

- Opening
- Welcome & Housekeeping
- Wayne - “The Great African-American Migration”
- Jock - Intro of author Brian McLaren
- Hospitality Break
- Wayne - Ch 1.
  - Crisis by the Palo Verde Tree
- Brenda - Discussion Time
- Closing





"A Change is Gonna Come"

Brian Owens and Thomas Owens - 4m34s

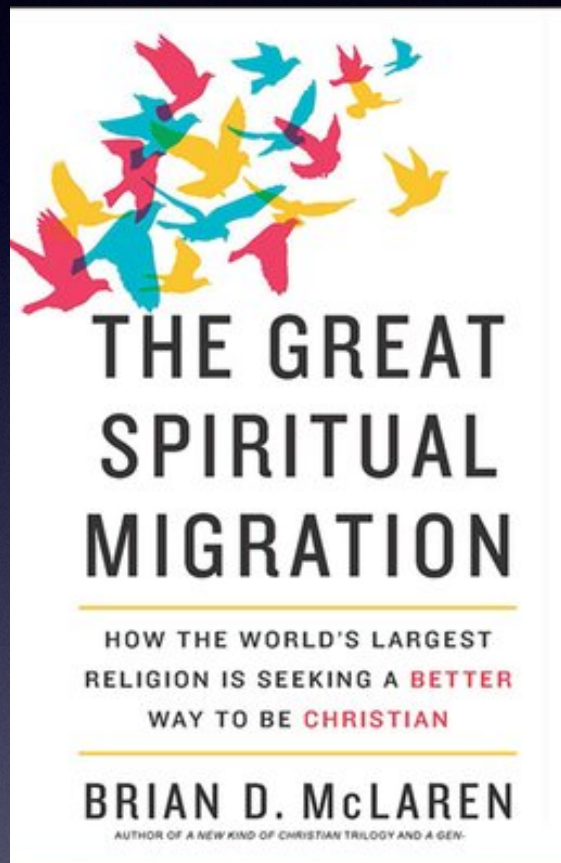
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Note Marcus Borg in studio audience.



# SESSION 1

## Welcomes & Housekeeping





# Mike Grammer



Mike is a friend of Deb Charnowski who participates in our bookstudies from Toronto. He contributes a studied and ecumenical view as a practicing Jew.

Mike sends his book notes to us in the form of a growing updated note. This in turn, we post on our church book study page. Mike often discusses our bookstudies with his rabbi as well.

You'll want to check these studied perspectives and comments.



# Wayne presents - Part I

## The Great African-American Migration

- An example of history's great movements.
- From American history of social and cultural migration.
- Introducing the theme of spiritual migration.





## **Brief History of The Great Migration**

Reading Through History - 4m18s

excerpt 4m18s

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ak1Uk8-3EE8>



# The Great African-American Migration

- Why? What? Where?
- Migration from:
  - rural to urban
  - south to north
  - north to north
  - south to west
  - south to south
  - north to south

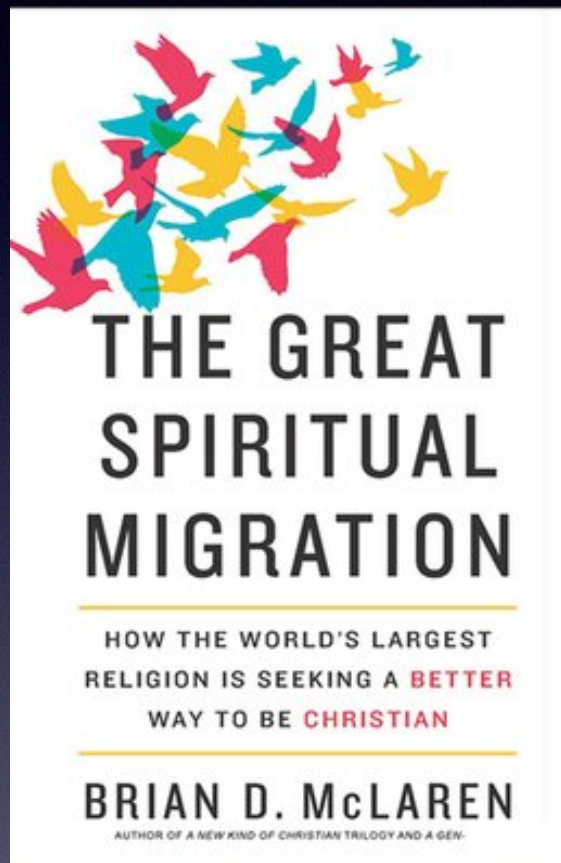


# Discussion

Canada

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Similarities and  
Differences

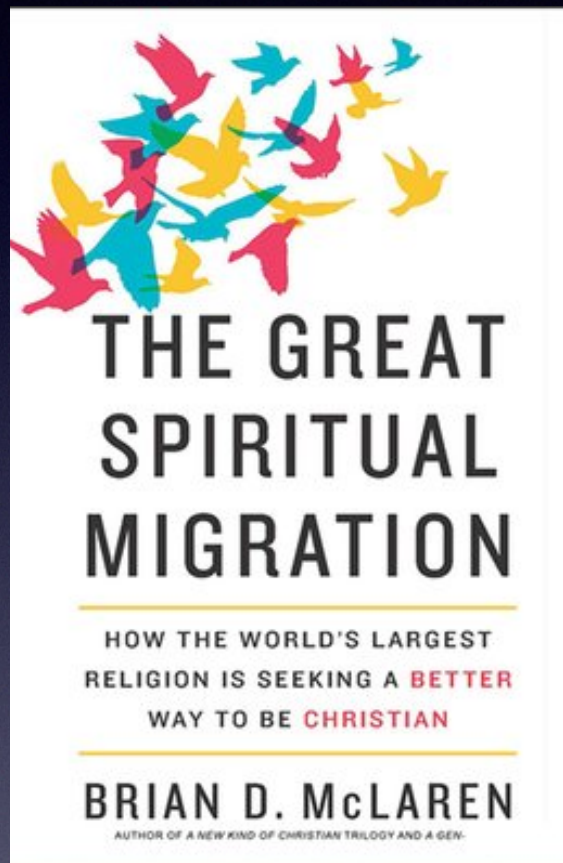




# The Great African-American Migration

- Death of an old unworkable culture
- Problems encountered in the re-settlement process
- Re-creating a new workable culture





# Discussion

Compare and Contrast

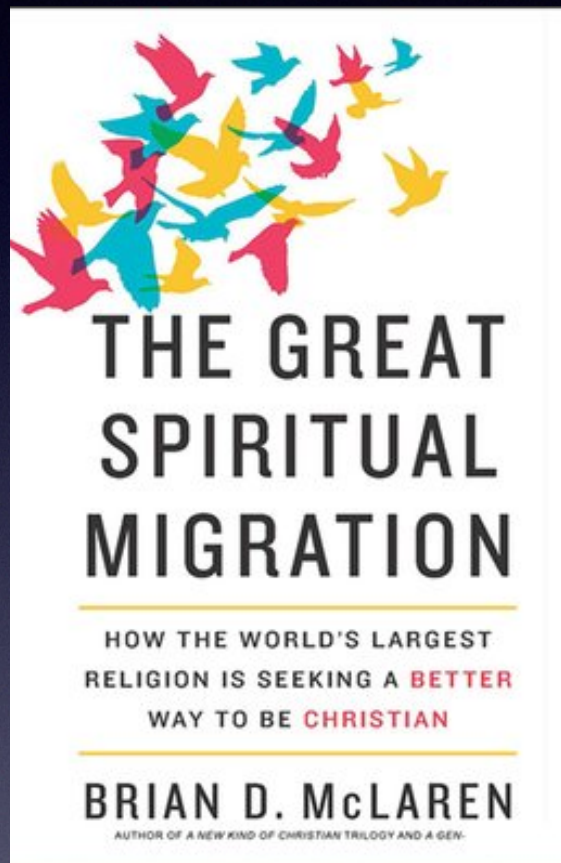
carry-overs from  
social and cultural to  
spiritual migration.



# Author Introduction

Brian McLaren

Evangelical pastor for 20 years. Author, activist and speaker in the Emerging Church Movement.





A medium shot of Brian McLaren, a bald man with glasses, wearing a red button-down shirt under a dark blue blazer. He is looking slightly down and to his left with a thoughtful expression. The background is a blurred crowd of people.

Brian  
McLaren

*Author, Storyteller  
and Theologian*

**VIDEO - Science and Duality - Brian McLaren**  
**The Challenges and the Future of the Christian Tradition**

19m35s

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mWftA0x0aJI>



BREAK







Time now. Please return.



# **Wayne presents - Part II**

## **Chapter One - Crisis by the Palo Verde Tree**

- Author - Brian McLaren
- Drawing people into Christian community
  - believing
  - belonging
  - behaving



Believe, Belong, Behave



### Traditional Way

- believing
- belonging
- behaving

### Potential Way

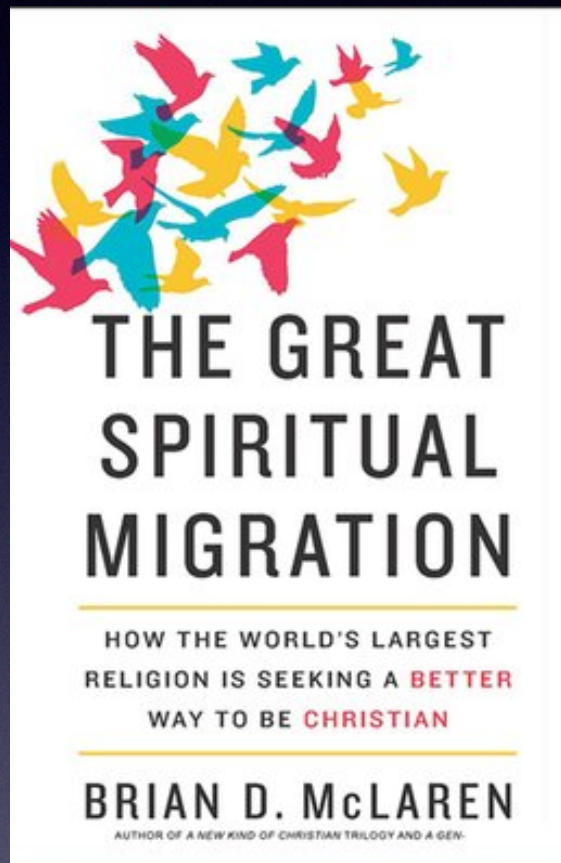
- behaving
- belonging
- believing

### Transitional Way

- belonging
- believing
- behaving



# Purpose of the Book



McLaren wants to help us re-conceptualize our congregations from closed belief-centered to open faith-based communities

## Discussion





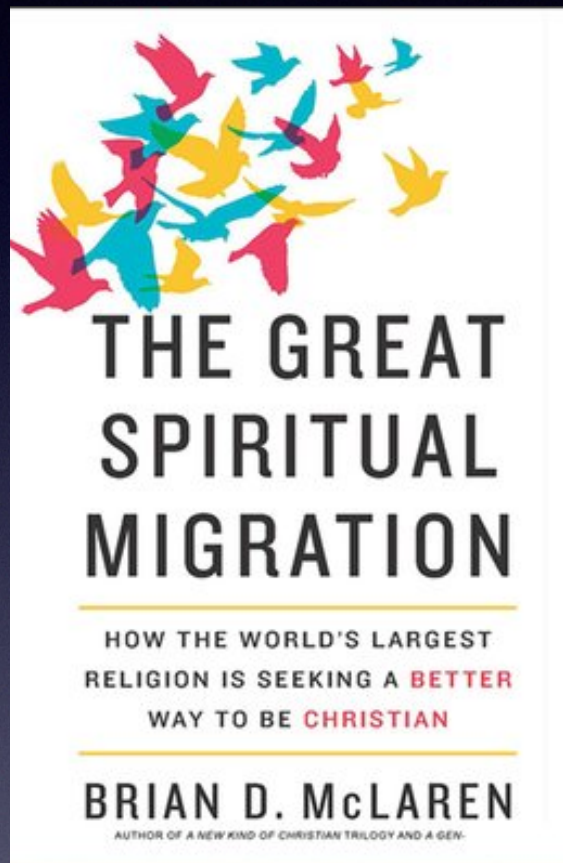
## What does faith-based community mean?

- not beliefs, but faith
- not truth, but meaning
- not priestly, but prophetic



# Closing Discussion

On the ideas of the  
chapter and the evening.







Closing Meditation



# Next Readings

**Session 3 - 28 Jan 2019**

Chapter 2 - A Deeper Loyalty

Chapter 3 - Learning How to Love

**Study Website Postings**

[sduc.ca](http://sduc.ca)