

Connecting with God; Connecting with Others; Connecting others with God

DAILY DEVOTIONAL FROM PASTOR SELL

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My house is in a transitional neighborhood. Over the past year, several homes have been rehabilitated. Some have been very serious makeovers. The neighbors have dealt with the annoyances of the contractors and trucks on the street. For the most part people are respectful of others trying to drive up and down the street. I have noticed people talking to the workers. It is fun to watch new paint appear along with new porches and landscaping. I admit when the "For Sale" signs are posted I go on Zillow to look. I am thankful the restorers have not installed open floor plans and gone totally modern but have endeavored to keep the flavor of the homes. These homes were - and are once again - great middle-class Victorians. During the last couple weeks, young couples (at least they look young to me) have been visiting with their realtors. The neighborhood is changing as it has many times in more than a century.

Zion is in transition too. Many signs of the pandemic are disappearing. Registration is no longer required. No more temperatures at the door. Gone are the ropes on the pews. It is not exactly like 2019 but it is beginning to feel more comfortable and familiar. As we move further into the post pandemic world let's take the best with us and not fear the new.