

# INCUBATION - B VIBRANT

## INCUBATING IMAGINATION

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One Sunday afternoon I was invited to go see a movie. I said “Yes” and saw the just released movie “If.” I-F – standing for Imaginary Friend. It is an animated comedy film. During the movie I heard this line:

THIS IS A PLACE WHERE YOU CAN BE ANYTHING YOU WANT TO BE,  
ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS USE YOUR IMAGINATION.

Ever since I have been thinking about that with reference to the church. Let’s incubate on that!

THE CHURCH IS A PLACE WHERE YOU CAN BE ANYTHIING

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Can be anything. It is about desire. In the life of the church so often we focus on survival. There are still others that are focused on success – whatever that might mean. What if we set survival and success aside? Instead let’s ask,

What is the deep desire, the dream, of this community of faith? Then help your church to ask the same:

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Anything YOU want to be. God cares about your desire, about YOU. YOU were created to discover your purpose. That is true of congregations too. It is about your identity. What makes your church different from others? That is where the Spirit is stirring and moving.

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We often think of imagination as fantasy. Well and good. But let me push that over into mystery, because they are somewhat adjacent. All you have to do is use your imagination, to embrace the mystery of God.

What are you imagining today, and what if that imagination is actually God working in you?

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