

# Change

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Are we in agreement times are different today than just ten years ago? How have the times changed for you? Better or worse! Reflect back to an incident or situation, both personally as well as professionally that you may regret, and haven't yet come to grips. How has this incident changed you? Or the person with whom you dealt? Are the outward actions of all of us a accurate reflection of our inner thoughts?

Thoughts and decisions made quickly and under pressure can usually prove one's true colors. Whether we cross the path of someone once per year or interact weekly, our actions as well as their actions do influence the two parties and possibly change them.

Hypothetically speaking:

A neighbor wished to paint their home, pink and purple polka-dots on a yellow background. How will the neighbors react? How has camaraderie in the neighborhood changed? Is your neighbor showing true colors? Is it right or wrong to paint the house those colors? The action of the neighbor has put change in your community.

As time passes by and the changes are inevitable, consider how we are different now from just ten years ago. We would like to believe that we all mature as we age; and with age we make better choices. Is there a valiant effort towards changing for the better in our future?

We do not know what is ahead for us or how we are going to react to change. We should understand that change is imposed on all of us and it is such change that may make us behave in a particular fashion. Our awareness, intuition or gut instinct sometimes knows best. Can the lack of awareness towards our intuition be our shortcoming? Have you ever known someone who is very good at speculation? If your intuition senses such change in a family member, friend, co-worker or distant acquaintance, offer a kind and hopeful word and wish them well.

If an old incident has us reflecting into the mirror more than necessary, come to grips with it and consider it a bit of luck, since it probably has

matured us without knowing it- maturity is change. The future, even though unclear, may seem dark, as, "The darkest hour is just before dawn". We grow up, that is a given. Do we mature? Slow down a bit, and listen to that intuition. As change obviously is certain, we embrace hopefulness to go along with our evident change. "We're happy to be in this time and place, not really wishing to go back". Been there, done that! The best of everything that life has to offer. Mr. OpTIMist.