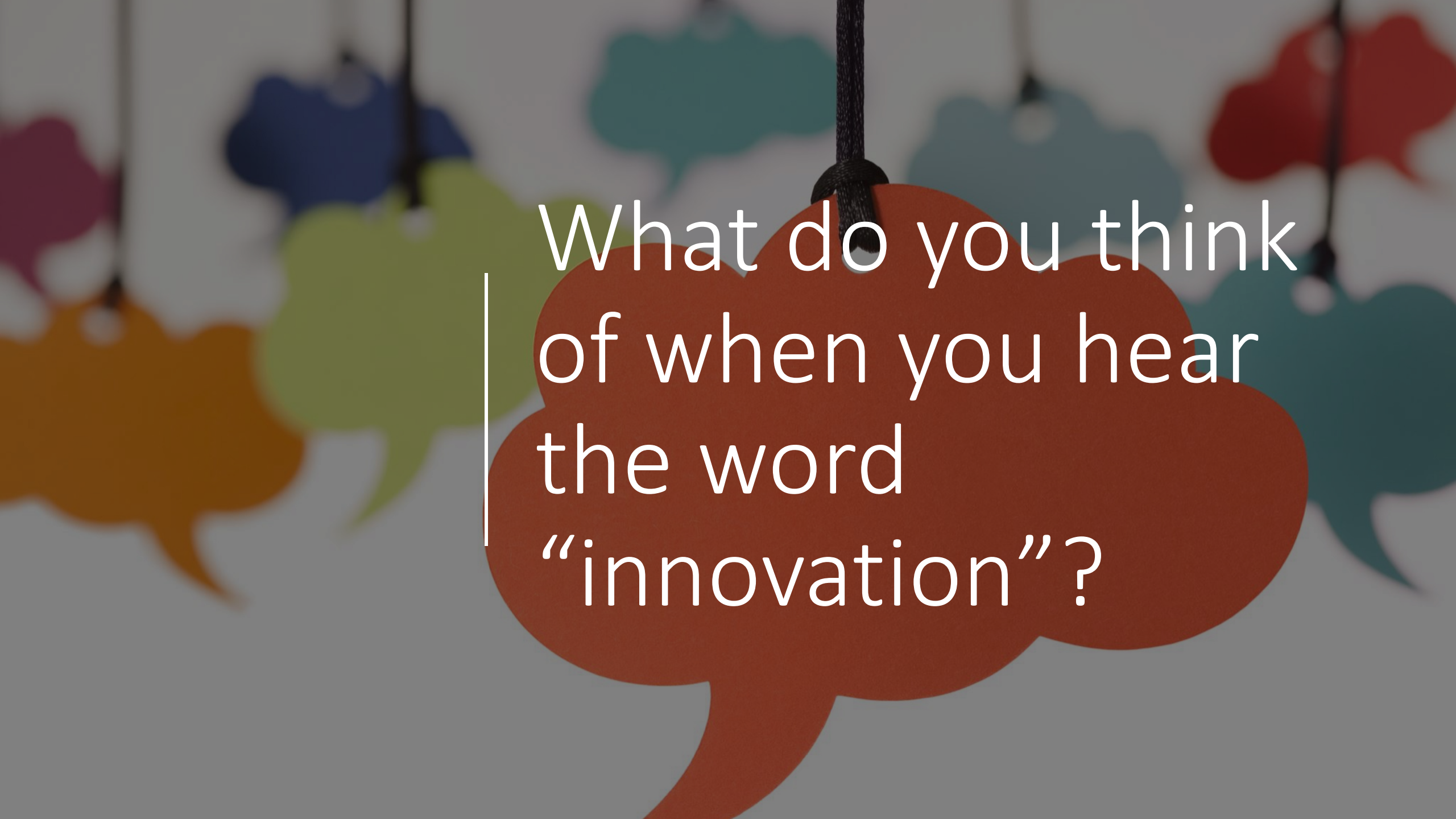


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Introduction to Holy Innovation



What do you think
of when you hear
the word
“innovation”?

How do
you see
innovation
and
ministry
connect?

Is it only for the creative minority of
pastors?

Is it when we need to do something
to get our church's attention again?

Is it for when you start something
new?

Is it only for artistic pursuits?

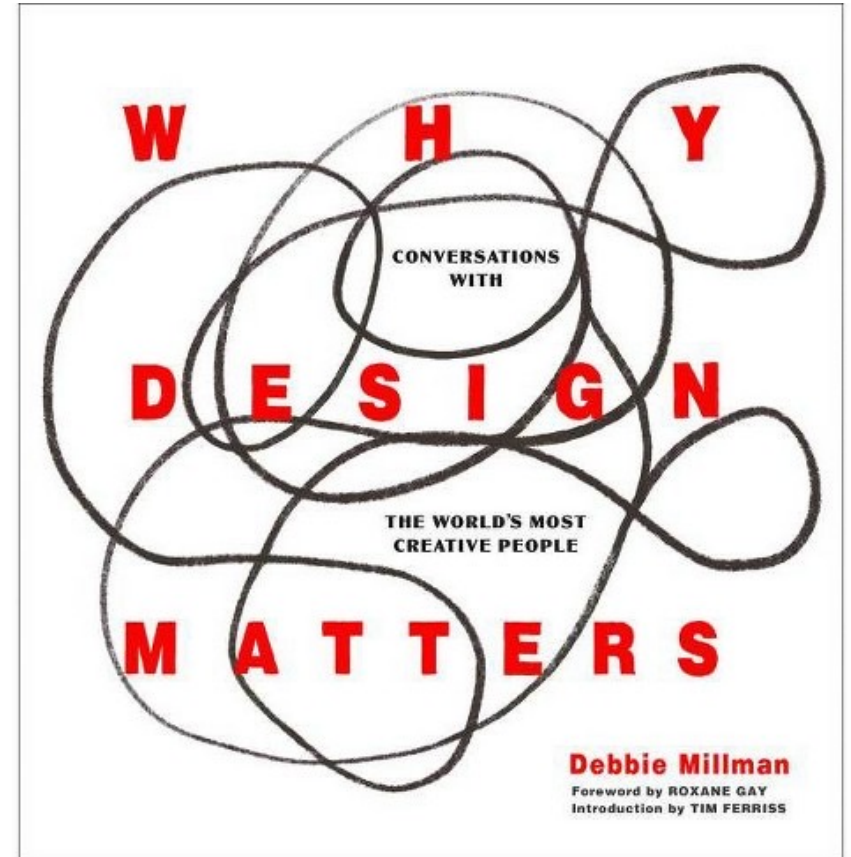


Design Thinking and Innovation

- Human Centered Design thinking is about joining up with people where they are in the world, attending carefully to their ordinary lives, and improvising solutions to challenges they face.
- It puts people at the center so that solutions always relate to people first and foremost.

Recommended Reading

Debbie McMillan, Harper Design, 2021



What is Holy Innovation?

A ministry approach inspired by Human Centered Design Thinking that encourages:

1. Trying things bravely as an act of openness to the Holy Spirit.
2. Exploring our God-given context with curiosity and no judgment.
3. Reflecting with self-awareness and openness about the movement of the Spirit.
4. Committing to the above as an ongoing journey.

*inspired and informed by IDEO “Insights for Innovation” course.



What is Holy Innovation?



There is no one magic formula.

This mindset could help you find a framework of how to approach your challenge.

Be hopeful.

Try things.

Learn.

Reflect.

Change.

Keep Going!

Positive Deviance

- 1) Solutions to seemingly intractable problems already exist.
- 2) They have been discovered by members of the community itself.
- 3) These “innovators” (individual positive deviants) have succeeded even though they share the same constraints as everyone else.

Answers are there!

They are not magical outside solutions. Ordinary people are always innovating and finding solutions to the very problems we face.

They require attentiveness to what is going on around us.

Innovation
as an
Approach to
Life

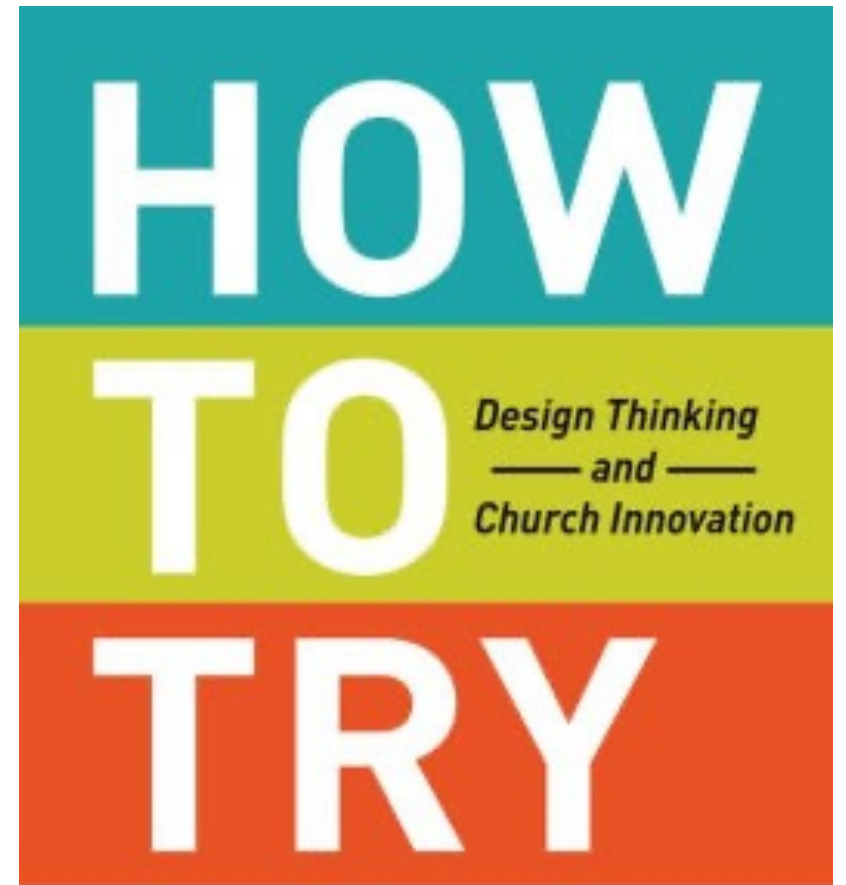
Innovation is about finding appropriate responses to challenges that we currently face

They can be about creating something new, renewal or transformation

Innovation is not a technique as much as an approach that can be applied to a number of things

Recommended Reading:

Lorenzo Librija, Church Publishing, 2021



LORENZO LIBRIJA

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Questions and Reflections
