

A Few Reflections on the Emerging Church

I. Driscoll’s typology – 3 kinds

II. A focus on Brian McLaren

A. His story

B. Understanding ‘modernity’ & its impact:

<i>Traits of modernity</i>	<i>Broad, cultural effect</i>	<i>Impact upon the Church</i>
Desire to control and conquer		
Age of the machine		
Age of analysis		
Quest for certainty and absolute, totalizing knowledge		
Critical age		
Emphasis upon the individual		
Consumerism		

C. McLaren on some postmodern shifts

D. Deconstructionism

E. McLaren's related ideas

III. Some important contributions from McLaren

IV. A philosophical question: Is everything interpretation?

V. Mediations on the garden, & some ideas for a "spiritual theology"