

sharing**JESUS**

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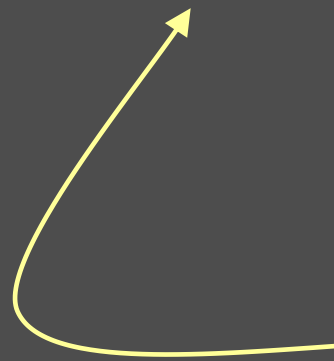
... the culture in which we live is changing so rapidly that sometimes it can feel as though there is an

increasing gap

between existing forms of church and the majority of people in the UK today”

VentureFX

a discipleship
movement shaped
for mission . . .



let's be honest,
it's an aspiration!

“

. . . a church which is not on mission is either not yet, or no longer a church, or only a dead church – itself in need of renewal.”

Karl Barth – Church Dogmatics

The necessary
culture?

Heartfelt worship

God

honouring

and God focussed?

Real lives lived in

community

sharing pain and joy?

Genuinely warm, open

welcoming

and accepting?

being shaped by scripture

discipleship

living it out?

servant hearted

ministering to need
within and outside
the church?

passionate about our

mission

together?

Confident about

change

and risk taking?

What's the
prevailing

culture

within **our**
churches?



**Is there an expectancy about
Sunday worship?**

Is there freedom in worship?

**Is our worship a heartfelt
offering to God?**



**Does the church
behave like a family?**

**Do members openly
share difficulties?**

**Is our care for each
other deep and
sacrificial?**



How well does the church reflect the diversity of the local area?

How willing are people to sacrifice their own cultural comfort to meet others where they are?

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**Are people practicing
in their daily lives what
they are learning?**


**Is the church making
disciples, who in turn
make disciples?**



**Is the congregation
using their spiritual gifts
to serve in the church?**

And in the community?

**Is the church getting
alongside the poor and
oppressed and speaking
out on their behalf?**



How well does the church 'connect' with the local community?

Is there a clear understanding, and a sharing of the Good News message that is entrusted to us

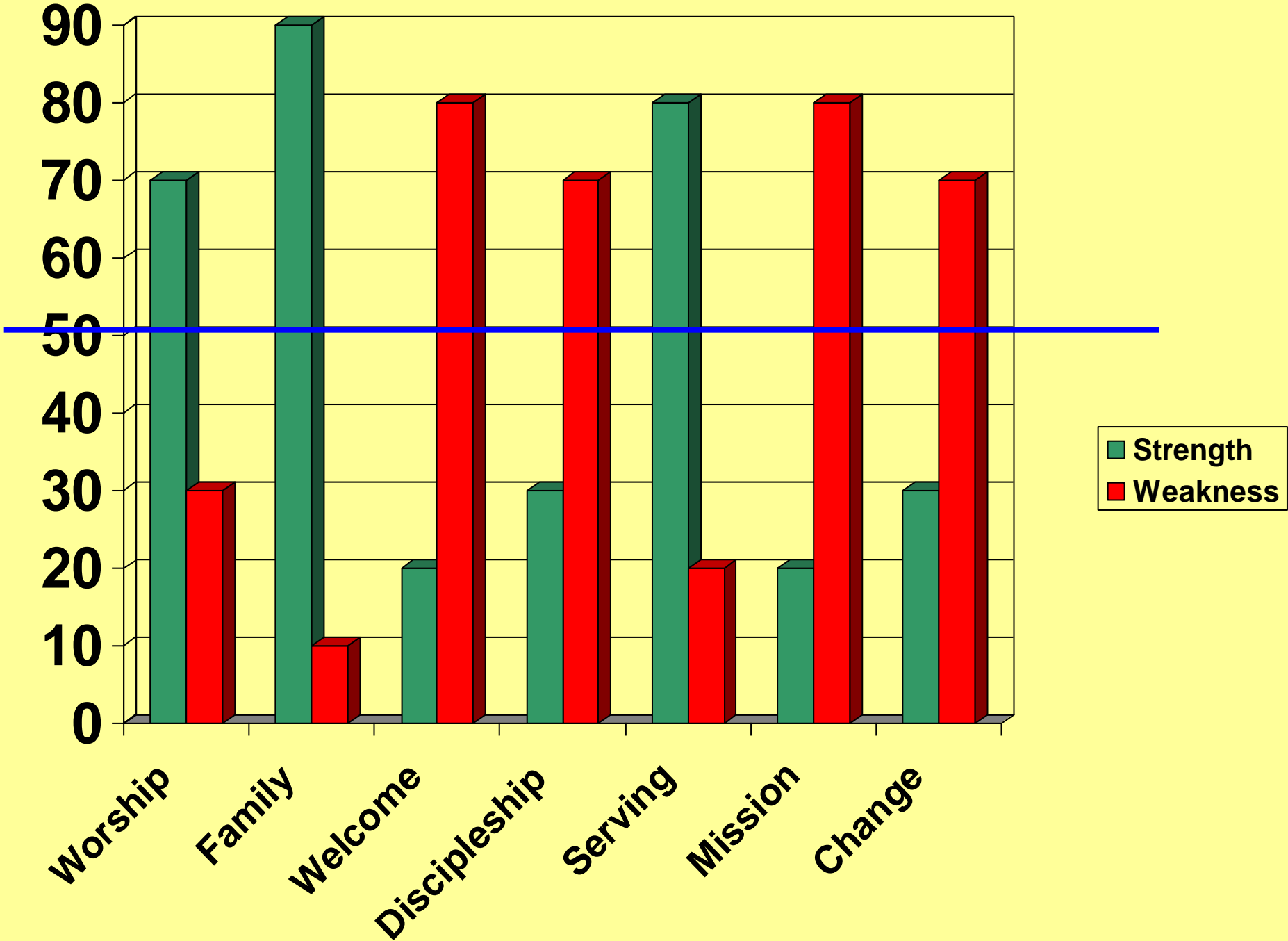


unable to change?

unwilling to change?

ready to change?

keen to change?



Creating a missional culture
is more than adding extra
events and activities, it
goes to the heart of

who we are,
and who we are becoming. ■

Leaders of God's people
uniquely contribute to the
cultivation of a culture . . .
it is the role of leaders to
create a **missional culture**
within the congregation.

The local
church
is the
hope
of the world. ■

Bill Hybels

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