Writing this today to answer why some people might not feel safe in meeting

Many people currently have the very valid concern that in going to meeting they could hear a message that is "triggering". The "trigger" can vary from person to person depending on personal experiences, but the main overall concern shared by all is that some workers that don't see any of this as a problem preach things that are seemingly tone deaf:

- -this is the storm shaking off all the dead branches
- -there is no crisis here
- -about those leaving "this is just part of the great falling away"

A group of friends are invited to go to MacDonalds for a meal.

You've eaten there often in the past, and know for a fact that MacDonald hamburgers taste good. However, there have been some problems lately, and you also know that MacDonalds food has made quite a few people sick. You even have some friends that have gotten sick. So now that you are aware this has happened, how likely are you to just "take your chances" and go eat at MacDonalds?

So, now you have a choice to make...

Do you still go to MacDonalds? or Do you look at other options available to you? (maybe eat at home or choose a different restaurant).

Each friend will likely base their choice on what they know...

It is highly probable that anyone that ate a bad hamburger would not want to go back, but would rather choose a different option.

It is also quite likely that anyone that was there with a friend and knew what happened to them would not want to go back.

But what about those that didn't pay attention to the news and didn't know MacDonalds had any problems? They would likely want to still go and chances are they could enjoy their meal just like always. But, what if they did happen to get a bad burger this time, and they found out that others previously had this experience too, would they then wonder why someone hadn't fixed the problem before serving more hamburgers?

The moral of the story:

People are choosing to not go to meeting because there have been problems there. Some people are the ones directly hurt by the problem. Others are those that are concerned for the ones that have been hurt, and stop going to try to prevent further damage to anyone else. I mean, it's a reasonable expectation that MacDonalds has to get this problem fixed before they could even think of continuing to serve hamburgers, right?

But what about meeting?

Are you willing to take your chances and go when you know the problem hasn't been taken care of or will you go elsewhere that doesn't have a known problem?

I think this may answer why many are choosing to not go to meeting right now.

Which... brings us to another concern that needs to be addressed, MacDonalds isn't the only restaurant that serves hamburgers... they wouldn't even think of making that claim would they?