

York St Small Groups

Sermon Based Studies

SUNDAY 22nd March 2020

Vision Series – We are not satisfied with the ordinary; we think and act outside the box.

1 Corinthians 1:19-24



Please note that these studies are designed to be explored after hearing the Sunday Sermon and also to be accompanied by a time of prayer/sharing and supper.



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GETTING STARTED

Q1. Have you ever had to make a decision that just didn't make sense? E.G.: change jobs, make a purchase, felt compelled to visit someone?

Q2. Have you ever come across a problem that made you need to think and act outside the box?

INTO THE WORD

Q3. Read 1 Corinthians 1:19-24

Thinking outside the box is something that we see take place often when we look back on life, from the invention of the smart phone to a change in the game play of your favourite sport. God tells us of a different way of thinking, a way that confuses those who don't have faith compared to those who do. What is 'outside of the box' in the way Christians think compared to those without a faith in Christ?

Q4. Jesus healed a blind man (John 9:6), fed over 5000 people (Matthew 14:13-21) and said that it's better to give than receive (Acts 20:35). How he did this seemed strange to people, yet the outcome was incredible! Sometimes faith does not make sense, however the outcome is incredible, can you think of a time when your faith asked you to do something that didn't make sense? What was the outcome?

GOING DEEPER

Q5. Read Genesis 50:19-21

If you don't know Joseph's story, I encourage you to read this (Gen 37-50) over the following week. It's an incredible story of someone who had integrity and a love for his God, he used his gifts in the craziness of the circumstances that surrounded his life, and God used him in a mighty way. How can God use you in a mighty way in the coming weeks?

Q6. Joseph was where God wanted him to be, and because of that he was able to save what would become a nation from starvation. In all the seasons he went through Joseph showed Godly character, how can you show Godly character and bare the 'fruits of the spirit' (Galatians 5:22-23) in the season we are in?

Prayer

Help us to not be satisfied with the ordinary, help us to think and act outside the box that the world places us in so that we can show the love of Christ to those around us. Help us to be men and women of Godly character as well as showing the fruits of the Holy Spirit in how we navigate the seasons that we are in. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

JOSEPH

and his coat of many colors

