

# York St Small Groups

## Sermon Based Studies

SUNDAY 13 October 2019

### The Road

Highway to Hell!  
Matthew 7:13-14



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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**Q1.** Has there been a time in life when you paused and wondered “how on earth did I end up here?”.

**Q2.** Has your faith journey ever made you pause and think “why is it so hard sometimes?”.

## INTO THE WORD

**Read Matthew 7:13-14**

**Q3.** Why is the gate and road that leads to destruction wide? What is the contrast to the narrow gate?

**Q4.** What does the narrow road represent?

**Read John 3:16-17**

**Q5.** How do you view this verse in the light of God's love, but also see that "many enter" through the wide gate to destruction?

**Read Isaiah 35:8**

**Q6.** God has a standard in which we must live. If God's character is full of grace, love and acceptance, how do we reflect our understanding of this in the way we live our lives?

## **GOING DEEPER**

**Read Matthew 22:1-14**

**Q8.** In the culture that this story is written in, the host would clothe the guests in a way which was appropriate for the banquet/party. The parable explains how someone didn't accept the clothes which were necessary for the event and as a result was not able to be a part of the celebration. How does this relate to the gift God gave us in Jesus?

**Q9.** Is there an area of your life in which you have been walking a wide road? Have you refused to accept the gift that God offered us in Jesus either as the one who saves us, or in a specific area of your life?

## **CONCLUSION & PRAYER**

Heaven is big, eternity is big, and God loves us all, however there is a criterion to enter the door which is small. God has paid the entry fee, and showed us how to live in response to this gift. How can you steer your life this week to align with the narrow road that God has laid out for us to travel on?

This week pray that God would help you navigate your life in a way that would seek the narrow path that God has lovingly laid out for you.