

# York St Small Groups

## Sermon Based Studies

SUNDAY 26 July 2020

**Our Family Tree - Our Roles**  
***1 Corinthians 12:12-31***



**These studies are designed to be explored after hearing the Sunday sermon and also to be accompanied by a time of prayer/sharing.**



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## **GETTING STARTED**

**Q1.** Have you ever had an injury that totally changed your lifestyle for either a short season or even permanently? What was it like when you went from what you had before to life with the injury?

**Q2.** When it comes to your family (either your household or your church family), can you think of a time when it all just worked? Everything seemed to be in balance, everybody seemed to be doing what they were designed to do?

## INTO THE WORD

*Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-31*

**Q3.** We are all different, and that's a great thing; after all, God created us as unique. There is beauty in the unity of diversity, however we all have our part to play. When one does not do their part, the body suffers; when one part wins, we all win. Did God speak to your spirit about something particular in this passage?

*Read Ephesians 5:21*

**Q4.** When it comes to our roles both within the body of Christ (the Church) and within our families (households), there is one thing in common; Christ must be in the centre. What is one way you display Christ in your life through how you act in the church and/or your family?

**Q5.** Is there an area of your life that you know if you allowed Christ into, He would make a change? If you leave that area of your life unchanged, what effect will it have on the church family or your household?

## **GOING DEEPER**

*Read Deuteronomy 6:4-9*

**Q6.** In the Jewish tradition these verses are a prayer that is prayed multiple times every day (even to this day). It signifies the desire to put God first in all areas of life and to pass on God's teaching to the next generation. It also signifies the desire to allow God's love, guidance and will (heaven on earth) to be a part of our everyday interactions, conversations, and attitudes. Its desire seeks to influence every element of our family, both outside and inside the household, and echoes that our life is an act of worship in how we live for Him.

Christianity is not something we follow, it's not something we do, it's 'who we are'. The question that was on every teenager's wrist in the 90's said WWJD "What would Jesus do?"; and while a good reminder, the better question is "How can I live like Jesus?". In the Jewish tradition, having a rabbi meant that you would become like the master you followed; not just obeying the teaching but actually becoming like him.

How can we become like Christ? How can we live like Christ, and in doing so ensure that His church, His family, and even His households honour Him?

### **Pray**

Heavenly Father, we wish to celebrate one another, our diversity and our unity in you. We want to play our part, working together to further your cause. We want to bring you into the centre of our homes, our lives and our relationships. May we honour you with our lives as an act of worship for who you are. Amen.