

Wednesday Night Bible Study 29/08/18

“Excite Curiosity about the Gospel through story telling”

Reflection:

As we look closely at the ministry of Jesus, when he preached in parables, he didn't really contain references to the Law of Moses. We can also observe in the parables, how Jesus didn't seek to explain the words of the prophets and teachers. One other aspect to consider is, Jesus' teaching in the parables often didn't explicitly refer to Yahweh/Father God. One needs to ask then, what kind of Biblical teaching is this?

Tonight, we are going to explore further, how the power of story telling excites curiosity about the Gospel.

Let's read together Luke 8:40-55

1. Who are the people in this narrative of Jesus' ministry?
2. What does this narrative say to you?
3. How would you describe their socio-economic status?
4. Why is this important?
5. What do you think are the differences of the synagogue leader and the woman who was bleeding?

6. Describe the scene of the woman's healing. What is incredible about this scene?

7. If you were in Jairus' sandals, what would your reaction be in verse 50?

8. What other aspects of the narrative stand out for you?

9. How would this be relatable today? How could you characterise the woman and Jairus?

10. How does this narrative touch you?

11. How could you use this narrative to speak about Jesus?

12. Nigel is going to ask some questions as a hypothetical responder in how we might be able to respond with this story to show the love of Jesus.

Let's pray for each other.