

Luke 15:1—7 | 2020WIG: Welcome

Study Questions from 23.02.2020 sermon

The WIG

- i. 'From the Whirlwind to the WIG' - What does this phrase mean?
- ii. In the context of our 2020WIG, welcome is more than a warm handshake at the door. So what exactly do we mean by 'Welcome' and what is the Welcome Process we are aiming for?

Welcome in the Bible

- iii. Read Luke 15:1—7. Why were the Pharisees and teachers of the law annoyed with Jesus and what does Jesus' response to them teach us about our dealings with 'sinners'?
- iv. Read Lev. 19:34 & 1 Pet. 4:9. What do these verses teach us about welcoming people?

The motivation

- v. Read Rom. 15:7. (Note: The greek word for 'accept' also has the meaning of 'to welcome or receive someone'). What does this verse teach us about what should motivate us to welcome people into church and into our lives?

The warning

- vi. Read James 2:1—4. Discuss how we might show favouritism in how we welcome people and what we can do to prevent favouritism.

Welcome is...

- vii. Welcome is
 - Glad you're here
 - Impartial
 - Allergic to toxic cliques
 - Active and alert
 - Opening up
 - In and out of church
 - Love in action
 - Costly

Which of these is most important to you... individually and for Argyle? Why?