

John 15:5 | CONSCIOUSLY DEPENDENT - We rely on the Bible and the Holy Spirit

Study Questions from 22.03.2020 sermon

Our Values

- i. Without looking them up, can you list Argyle's five new values in order?
- ii. 'Consciously Dependent' deliberately follows on from 'Extravagantly Loving'. Why?
- iii. Read John 15:1—8 out loud to set the scene and remind yourself of what Jesus says about being dependent on Him.

I did it my way

- iv. Frank Sinatra's song 'My Way' and William Ernest Henley's poem 'Invictus' were cited as examples of the default condition of the human heart, which is believing we don't need God. What other examples can you think of from our culture which reveal this default heart-condition?
- v. How can we slip into this condition ourselves as Christians? Give examples. Be specific.
- vi. What does a mindset of independence often lead to?
- vii. What does God sometimes do to combat our independent tendencies?

I do it God's way

- viii. 'Consciously dependent' means having a MINDSET of dependence. Discuss what having a mindset of dependence involves.
- ix. Consciously Dependent means relying on the Bible and the Holy Spirit. Give reasons why reliance on them both is so crucially important for Argyle.

Being Consciously Dependent on God during this time of Coronavirus

- x. Discuss how we can exhibit dependence on God in the midst of panic buying and isolation.
- xi. Read Ephesians 5:15—16. Are there any opportunities which we could make the most of at this time? (If you wrote something down during the sermon, share what you wrote now)