IMPACT GROUPS

Week #2 : Jan. 21-25, 2019

"The Jesus Trip"

Sermon Date: Jan. 19/20, 2019

Link to sermon:

http://www.impactlondon.ca/livestreamarchives/

Ice Breaker: For the rest of your life would you rather look like your passport photo, mug shot, driver's licence or rollercoaster photo.

Interesting Facts:

Similarities between Jospeh and Jesus.¹

- 1. He is the object of his father's special love.
- 2. He had promises of divine exaltation (many prophecies).
- 3. He was mocked by his family.
- 4. He was sold for pieces of silver and stripped of his robe.
- 5. He was delivered up to the Gentiles
- 6. He was falsely accused, faithful amid temptation, thrown into prison.
- 7. He stood before rulers.
- 8. His power was acknowledged by those in authority.
- 9. He saves his rebellious brothers from death when they recognize him.
- 10. He is exalted after and through humiliation.
- 11. He embraces God's purpose even to the point of physical harm.
- 12. God uses the hands of the Gentiles to bless his people.
- 13. He welcomes Gentiles to be part of his family.
- 14. He gives hungry people bread.
- 15. People must bow their knee before him.

Fun Fact: The musical *Joseph* opened on Broadway in 1982 and ran from January 27th, 1982 – September 4th, 1983, with 747 performances. And, according to the 'Really Useful Group' (2008), more than 20,000 schools and theatre groups have performed this show!²

¹Erik Raymond, *The Wonderful Similarities Between Joseph and Jesus.* https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/blogs/erik-raymond/wonderful-similarities-joseph-jesus/. Accessed Jan. 15, 2019. (works cited only, no Impact Church affiliation).

² https://marqueetp.wordpress.com/2016/10/05/10-fun-facts-about-joseph-and-the-amazing-technicolor-dream-coat/.

Readings: Jan. 14th -20th in "The One Year Chronological Bible" (NLT).

Link to weekly reading guide:

http://www.impactlondon.ca/the-jesus-trip/

Discussion Questions

- 1. What filter do we need to apply to the readings when we are trying to make sense of what God is like through the difficult things we read? How do we do this?
- 2. Why do you think it is that looking for Jesus in the stories of the Old Testament is not always the first thing that is done? What else do we see?
- 3. What is meant by the phrase "God draws straight lines with crooked sticks?" How does that apply to this week's readings?
- 4. How did Jesus bring alignment to the destiny of the men walking on the Road to Emmaus? What can we learn from this??
- 5. What event in Joseph's life was the most interesting to you and how do you see Jesus in it?
- 6. Why was Joseph recognized as a hero of the faith in Hebrews 11:22? What do we learn from what he did that made him a hero?
- 7. Do you have any other questions from the readings?
- 8. How else did you see Jesus in the readings this week? What else stood out to you?

What's Going on At Impact Church

- * Young Adults are going to *Western Worships* at Western Campus, Sunday Jan. 27 at 7pm. Email groups@impactlondon.ca if you are interested in going.
- * Super Bowl Party Sun. Feb. 3, 2019. Tickets are \$15.00/ person.
- * Saturday Night Service has resumed. SNS 6pm at Impact Church.

Email any questions about your readings to: groups@impactlondon.ca