Discussion Questions Sermon: Sideways – Parables May 14, 2023.

Do you have a favourite parable? Which one and why?

Is there a parable that bothers you? Which one and why?

If your faith journey included Sunday School or something similar when you were a child, was it taught "like a box of chocolates"? Did you learn about the "big story" (metanarrative) of the Bible?

Where have you seen indirect speech ("telling it sideways") in your own life or in our culture? Has it been a significant factor in the formation or changing of your own beliefs?

Does the idea of reading the parables in their immediate context and as part of the big story of the bible make the parables feel more accessible or less to you?