



**Go Deeper, 11th June 2023, Ask Me Anything**

Dear Miners,

I hope you enjoyed this week's AMA as much as Kim and I did – it's always good to wrestle with some of the big questions of life, church, and faith. I love hearing everyone's thoughts; I never want to give the impression that we ask 'the Vicar' because they know everything, that's far from true!

One of the big topics we talked about and a key strand in where we might be going as a church was looking at Inclusive Church. Their website gives many more details about them, see [here](#).

Inclusive Church started looking at inclusivity when prompted by a sexuality issue, but has come to seek to work to dismantle barriers of exclusion and discrimination in many different ways.

- Have you ever felt unexpectedly included, from church or anything else? How did it feel? Have you ever felt excluded?
- Can you think of areas where we have more work to do at St Wilfrid's? If so, do write and let me know!

The other big area we explored was how some people seem to be radically transformed at one key moment when they come to faith, but more of us have a longer journey of sanctification.

- What's your journey been like, who did you identify with?
- What about those Christians you know, your family or small group? Hearing each other's story is always so encouraging, please do share!

Every Blessing

Rob

**Deeper Stuff**

Two podcasts about another church's journey towards becoming inclusive, specifically of LGBTQ+ people, are [here](#) and [here](#).

[This is a link](#) to the podcast and text of a sermon I wish I had given from a Church in London exploring various aspects of being an inclusive church. Well worth a read, as the pictures which accompany it are powerful.