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Date: Sunday 26th February 2017

Title: Be Courageous (4)...Say Yes

Reading: Acts 6:1-7

1. **BE BOTHERED ABOUT WHAT BOTHERS GOD:** The early Church had a problem with their food distribution and given their commitment to share, (Acts 2:44-45 & Acts 4:32) something had to be done. Why do you think this was so important to them? What three issues do you think bothers God the most? What do you think the 21st century Church should be doing about them? What are the practical implications of Romans 12:9 for you?
2. **GET FULLY CONNECTED TO GOD:** The answer to the problem is already 'among you'. Do you think that is true for today for the issues you identified? How does Paul's 'body' language – 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 - work in the church today? The requirements for waiting on tables were, being 'full of the Spirit and wisdom'. How can you tell if someone has those qualities? How do you get those qualities? What difference does it make when someone who is full of the Spirit does something? How are you growing the 'fruit of the Spirit' (Galatians 5:22-23a) in your life? What would you like to be 'known' for?
3. **DECIDE IN ADVANCE TO BE AVAILABLE:** 'Serving is something we do, a *servant is who we are.*' What is the difference between a volunteer and a servant? What are the implications of Philippians 2:7 for living with a 'yes' attitude? Should you say 'yes' to everything? How do you learn to say yes to only doing what you see the Father doing (John 5:19)?
4. What do you need to say yes to today?

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