



Small Group/ Reflection Notes

	w/c 19 th February 2023		The Curious Incident of the Silver Fish	
Start	□ Play a memory game of, "I went to the shop and I bought" One person starts by saying, "I went to the shop and I bought [names an item.]" The next person says, "I went to the shop and I bought [names previous item & adds their own.]" The next person says, "I went to the shop and I bought [names all previous items & adds their own.]" Keep repeating until the memory chain is broken.			
Poscuss Discuss	 □ How are you affected by 'cost of living' inflation? What have you noticed? What changes have you made? □ Why are the consequences more serious for some? Who gains? How? Why? □ Who should pay tax? More? Less? □ To what extent does faith help you approach your finances? 			
Read	Matthew 17:24-27	Catch-up	ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Watch	
Explore	 v.24 Jesus & the disciples returned <i>home</i>, after time away. What might they have been looking forward to? Why did the Religious Elite refer to Jesus as 'teacher', not Rabbi? How have you dealt with a put-down like this? Exodus 30:11-16 What did everyone 'chipping in' for the Tabernacle achieve? What's the difference between a temple tax and the grace of giving? v.25 Jesus already knew what had just happened. How does Jesus knowing everything about you, make you feel? Jesus wants us to think. Really? Why was Jesus not impressed with maintaining the Temple? What had He come to do? John 2:19-22. Why? v.26 Does this mean Christian don't have to accurately declare income/ pay tax? Mark 12:17. If God is KING of Kings, and Jesus is the Son of God, what does 1 John 3:1 say we are? How does accepting this help you deal with life? v.27 Why tactically did Jesus not want to cause offence at this moment? Why was directing Peter to Go, Fish! pastorally sensitive? Why this time use a line, not a net? What was the 'silver fish' teaching Peter? 			
Go further	□ What could the Tabernacle (Tent of Meeting) do that the stone Temple couldn't? What was the Temple used for? How & why was Jesus the new Temple?			
Reflect	 □ Which one verse stands out to you? Why do you think it grabs your attention? □ Which verse(s) will you need to think more about? Why? □ Where's your 'silver fish'? What's it for? 			
Do	☐ Go, fish!☐ Do your Tax Return.			

Pray	Dear God, You are the KING of Kings. This makes me think You say that, in Christ, I am a child of God. This makes me feel Help me to live in the truth of this. Amen.
My questions:	

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