



Small Group/ Reflection Notes

Date:	12/01/2020	Title:	Mirror, Mirror – Seeing through dust
 Read	1 Corinthians 13:12	 Listen again	ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Talks
 Discuss	<input type="checkbox"/> What was the last wedding you attended? Who's was it? What was it like? <input type="checkbox"/> Are you a 'glass half full' or a 'glass half empty' type of person? <input type="checkbox"/> Paul talks of having faith, hope, and love. What do you need faith for/ in? What are you hoping for? What/ who must you love?		
 Go further	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Corinthians 13:4-7. How does this describe how God loves <u>us</u> (not just how we should love others)? <input type="checkbox"/> If we together are the <i>Bride</i> and Christ is the <i>Groom</i> , what does this say about the relationship we can have with God? e.g. intimacy with God. <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Corinthians 13:12a: " <i>For now we see only a reflection.</i> " How/ why do we now only see God incompletely/ in part? e.g. unresolved questions, sin... <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Corinthians 13:12b: " <i>then we shall God see face to face.</i> " What will it feel like to be face-to-face with God, no longer relying on an incomplete image of God? <input type="checkbox"/> How can you cultivate in your life, faith, hope, and love?		
 Reflect	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Cor.13:1-13. Which verse stands out? Why does it grab your attention? <input type="checkbox"/> Practice the presence of God. Read aloud a few times Psalm 46:10: 'Be still... And know that I am God'. Each time you read it, place the emphasis on a different part of the sentence. What do you notice/ hear?		
 Do	<input type="checkbox"/> Do some 'house work': wiping, vacuuming, dusting, polishing... As you do so, imagine this to be a prophetic image of what you are doing to your soul (inner life). You are seeking and allowing yourself a clearer dust-free image of God.		
 Pray	<i>Dear God,</i> <i>Thank you that you <u>love</u> me perfectly. You are the source of all love. You are <u>patient</u> with me when I ____, You are <u>kind</u> to me when I ____... (1 Cor.13:74-7)... . Help me to know and see You more clearly. Strengthen my faith, hope, and love. Amen</i>		
 My questions:			



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