



## Small Group/ Reflection Notes

21-02-2021		Ezekiel's prophetic acts	
 Start	<input type="checkbox"/> Play a game of <i>Charades</i> . One person thinks of a book, film, song, or TV programme which they must then mime act for the others to guess. The 'actor' mustn't speak or use any words.		
 Discuss	<input type="checkbox"/> What advert has managed to get your attention recently. How? Why do some adverts stand out but others don't? <input type="checkbox"/> How do creative/ expressive/ performance arts 'move' us? What's their use/ potential in church? <input type="checkbox"/> What is the role of a prophet? How should the gift of prophecy be used today?		
 Read	<b>Ezekiel 4:1-17</b>	 Listen again	<a href="http://ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Watch">ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Watch</a> <a href="http://ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Talks">ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Talks</a>
 Explore	<input type="checkbox"/> v.1: Why was now the time to cut through ' <i>blah blah</i> ' with something different? <input type="checkbox"/> v.3: How can creative/ expressive/ performance arts be prophetic/ a 'sign'? <input type="checkbox"/> v.4: If this was <i>Charades</i> , how was Ezekiel acting out Jesus? <input type="checkbox"/> v.5: To what extent have we as nations been drifting from God over the last 390 years? Why is Psalm 103:8 so reassuring? <input type="checkbox"/> v.9: What was the physical/ mental/ spiritual cost to Ezekiel? And you? <input type="checkbox"/> v.12: How bad would things have to get for you to use your excrement for fuel? <input type="checkbox"/> v.14 Even in <i>Babylon</i> , Ezekiel kept his integrity. How do you try to do this? <input type="checkbox"/> v.17: How/ why does 'sin' have consequences, even for our health/ well-being?		
 Go further	<input type="checkbox"/> Just because God says something <u>will</u> happen does not mean it <u>has</u> to happen. Why? Explain! <input type="checkbox"/> Genesis 1-2 reveals God's creativity and power. Why do they so often go together? Why is it 'both/and', not 'either/or'?		
 Reflect	<input type="checkbox"/> Which one verse stands out to you? Why do you think it grabs your attention? <input type="checkbox"/> Which verse(s) will you need to think more about? Why? <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 103:8. Meditate on <u>slow</u> and <u>quick</u> .		
 Do	<input type="checkbox"/> Spend time studying a map of your area. What do you <u>see</u> ? What words come to mind? Ask God what He is saying? Pray for your neighbours, those living and working in your community.		
 Pray	<i>Dear God,</i> <i>Thank you that You are slow to anger and quick to bless. Help me to be the same. Holy Spirit, release in me both Your creativity and power so that I might _____. Amen.</i>		
 My questions:			

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