

I Connect Small Groups



Small Group/ Reflection Notes

Date:	08/09/2019	Title:	Respecting the Harvest
Read	Matthew 13:24-30 & :36-43	Listen again	ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Talks
Discuss	 To what extent is your life today (where you live, what you believe, your expectations, standard of living) due to your start in life? How fair is that? How different would your life be today if you had been born in South Sudan, or 300 years ago, or to parents of a different religion? Can people change? 		
Go further	 If God is the Sower & you are the seed, to what extent do you feel <i>sown</i> in the right place by God? e.g. neighbourhood, church, job Matthew 13:29. Why does the farmer/God let both 'wheat' and 'weeds' grow together? What does that mean for how we should treat others today? Billy Graham said, "It is the Holy Spirit's job to convict, God's job to judge. My job is to love." Was he right? 		
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? Matthew 13:36. The disciples encountered Jesus in both the crowd (iGather on Sundays) and in the home (iConnect small groups). Why are both important? 		
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Pray	 A prayer of inclusion Dear God, Thank you I am seed in your hands. Plant me where you want me. Forgive me when I am too quick to judge or exclude others. Help me demonstrate your love and patience so that people choose to follow you. Amen 		
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My question:			
If you're not yet in a small group, why not join one!			

Check out: <u>www.ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/SmallGroups</u> Can't see a small group that suits your availability/ interest? Why not start one!

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