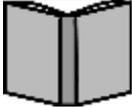




## Small Group/ Reflection Notes

	<b>31-08-2020</b>	Blessed are those persecuted for right
 Read	<b>Matthew 5:10-12</b>	 Listen again ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Watch ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Talks
 Discuss	<input type="checkbox"/> Have you ever felt unfairly or harshly treated because of your faith or values? <input type="checkbox"/> Why does persecution happen? What makes individuals or State's do it? <input type="checkbox"/> Why do some who claim to be Christians persecute others who are not? <input type="checkbox"/> Why were those who observed/ experienced Jesus first-hand so willing to face barbaric in-humane treatment, rather than deny Christ?	
 Go further	<input type="checkbox"/> v.10: Why is God <i>with those</i> who are persecuted for Him? <input type="checkbox"/> v.10: Why are some who claim to be Christians and say they're being persecuted, are really only being opposed for their non-righteous approach? <input type="checkbox"/> v.11: What's the significance of ' <u>you</u> ' (not <i>one</i> ) and ' <u>when</u> (not <i>if</i> )? <input type="checkbox"/> v.12: What is 'your reward in heaven'? How does that help us rejoice today?	
 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"/> To what extent are you prepared to withstand unfair/ harsh treatment because of your faith?	
 Do	<input type="checkbox"/> Find out where religious persecution takes place today. Pray and campaign for persecuted Christians. See the work of Christian Solidarity Worldwide <a href="https://www.CSW.org.uk/">https://www.CSW.org.uk/</a> Read the Foreign Office report: <a href="https://ChristianPersecutionReview.org.uk/">https://ChristianPersecutionReview.org.uk/</a>	
 Pray	<i>Dear God,</i> <i>Thank you that you are with me, no matter what I experience. Thank you, Jesus, that You were willing to endure such harsh treatment for me. Help me to endure when _____. May I rejoice and be glad when _____. Please help those who experience _____. In particular, I pray for _____. Amen</i>	
 My question:		



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