



Small Group/ Reflection Notes

25-10-2020		Reparations
 Read	Matthew 5:21-26	 Listen again ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Watch ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Talks
 Discuss	<input type="checkbox"/> Why is saying 'sorry' sometimes not enough? <input type="checkbox"/> Why is it a 'slippery slope' to speak of "others" in de-humanising language? i.e. not as fellow human beings, but as _____. Do you see examples today? <input type="checkbox"/> If a <i>person</i> steals something should they return/ replace/ repay it? <input type="checkbox"/> If a <i>nation</i> of people steal something, should it/they return/ replace/ repay it? <input type="checkbox"/> Should a nation pay reparations for past wrongs? Like Germany/ Japan after WW2? Like Britain after Colonial slavery?	
 Go further	<input type="checkbox"/> v.21: How is murder taking/ denying someone's humanity? <input type="checkbox"/> v.22: Why does Jesus go further? Was He <i>replacing</i> the Law or <i>re-affirming</i> its true meaning? (What was always there from the beginning but become lost?) <input type="checkbox"/> v.23-24: Why does how we live and relate affect how we worship? What difference does being part of the body of Christ affect our worship? <input type="checkbox"/> v.25-26: If it needs more than an apology, how should you settle the matter? Why is this good for 'them'? Good for you?	
 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"/> What do <i>you</i> need to put right? Return? Replace? Repay?	
 Do	<input type="checkbox"/> Watch the Sam Sharpe 2019 lecture: <i>Women in Sam Sharpe's Army: Repression, Resistance, Reparation</i> https://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/564908/Sam_Sharpe_Lecture.aspx <input type="checkbox"/> Read Ben Lindsay's book <i>We Need To Talk About Race</i> (11 church copies)	
 Pray	<i>Dear God,</i> <i>Thank you for Jesus. Because of Him, I _____. Show me how to live _____. Search my heart and reveal _____. Help me to be reconciled to _____. Show me what I need to do to put things right. God, forgive us as a nation for our _____. Teach us as a nation to _____, Amen.</i>	
 My question:		



If you're not yet in a small group, why not join one!

Check out: [ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/SmallGroups](https://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/564908/Sam_Sharpe_Lecture.aspx)

Can't see a small group that suits your availability/ interest? Why not start one!

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