Mirror, Mirror: Moments of Reflection | Question to Question

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This provides about one hour of readings, discussion, and music.

This is a springboard for discussion and further study, so use the portions you find most valuable.

1. **Questions** are necessary for discovery.

- Read John 13:36, 14:1-6, 20; 1 Peter 3:15.
- Do you **value** questions or **fear** them? How did Jesus use questions?
- What do you do about the **unanswered questions** you still wrestle with?
- Have you ever felt like an **outsider** when hearing about **experiences others** seem to have with Jesus? What did you do about that?

2. What gets in the way of **believing**?

- Think about this: Do I need to be more willing to accept ideas from trustworthy people?
- What are some **objections** you have heard when others **resist** your Christian views? How is the conversation affected when you listen intently to those concerns?
- What could you say to someone who is wondering about what it means to be a believer, as a Christian? What are some Bible verses you might share to support your ideas?
- Read Romans 3:21-24, Romans 10:8-11; Acts 2:37-39, Galatians 2:20, 1 John 2:1-2, Hebrews 11:1, and Ephesians 2:4-9. What key themes do you notice in these passages?

3. **Doubts** don't disqualify us.

- How have you **dealt with doubt** in your own experience?
- How can faith emerge from wrestling with doubt?

4. Jesus knows an **authentic cry** from the heart.

- Talk about **Psalm 119:145-147.**
- "Seeing is believing... but, when you believe, you really start to see." Read John 3:3-8.
- Consider this idea: Some truths are difficult to understand, and faith carries us through. Read **Deuteronomy 29:29**, **Isaiah 55:8-9**, **1 Corinthians 13:12**, and **Philippians 3:15**.
- Watch and discuss: "This I Believe" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uuDI-sk2n|U