

# Royal Redeemer

## CGS Community Discussion Guide

Based on the sermon for Jan 27-28, 2018:  
*#struggles: authenticity*



**(For use as an opening Devotion, use only the highlighted portion)**

- **Begin by sharing a high and/or a low from your week**
- **Connect**
  - When have you taken a really bad picture? (driver's license?)
- **Grow** (read this passage aloud and listen for words or phrases that speak into your life now)

*12 Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold. 13 We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to prevent the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away. 14 But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away. 15 Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. 16 But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. 17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. 18 And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit. 2 Cor. 3:12-18*

- Share any words or phrases that speak into your life today.
- What are some ways you filter and edit the image of your life?
- What access did the Old Testament people have to God? What access did Moses have? How does that compare with the access we have to God today?
- What freedom does the Spirit offer you?
- What is your experience of being transformed into the image of Christ?
- Discuss: *The spirit of Christmas is the spirit of love and of generosity and of goodness. It illuminates the picture window of the soul, and we look out upon the world's busy life and become more interested in people than in things.* Charles Monson

- **Serve**
  - Who in your life is having a hard time seeing the road ahead. How might you offer them hope?

- **End with Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**