



THINK ON THESE THINGS.....

**Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 5:1

<sup>11</sup> Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

**Reflection:**

Last Sunday morning we gathered together for live worship here at Emmanuel. Unlike the last time we met together in March, things a few days ago, were a little different. We had to deal with social distancing measures and hand sanitisers on arrival. Who'd have thought it! And it wasn't over – there were the masks, and the chairs spaced apart, and a much shorter service than usual.

Yet despite what was probably a very strange time of worship, it was also a wonderful experience! It was good to be together once again, to hear the cars rumbling over the speed bumps into the car park, and to note that we were filled to the new restricted capacity of 30.

Thank you for deciding to come along and share in live worship together. We all know that times like this are probably going to be limited over the coming months, so when they do take place it is going to be important to cherish these moments.

I couldn't help thinking of all of you at home, some wishing that they could've been with us, whilst others watching the online service at home may still be feeling hesitant about coming into a situation like this. We remembered you all in our prayers, and want you to know that we understand the way you feel. Please take your time – there is no rush – your moment will come!

Until then, we will continue working hard to provide whatever practical and spiritual support that we can. Remain safe and strong in God's love.

**Breath-Prayer for today:**

Continue to encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.