* What similarities do you see between this chapter and the previous few chapters?
  + What is his particular emphasis in this chapter?
* What is he talking about when he says we must grow in ‘grace’? What is the grace we must grow in?
* Do you enjoy your religion (pg133)? Have you found yourself enjoying it more as you’ve grown?
* What does he mean when he says “the children of the world measure Christianity quite as much by their eyes as by their ears” (pg133)? Do you agree?
  + Do you find that convicting?
* When we think of Godly people – people in our churches, family members, pastors – what character traits come to mind? How would you describe them?
  + Are these the same as the marks which Ryle suggests on pgs 136-140? Do any of these surprise you?
* Page 140 introduces the “means of growth in grace”. Is growing in grace a work of man or a work of God?
  + What is our role in the process?
* How are you doing in your use of the private means of grace?
  + Do you have a daily time of meeting with God?
* Page 144 talks about keeping an eye on who we spend time with. Do you agree with what he says?
  + Do you have Christian friends to help you grow in grace?
* Why does Ryle conclude the chapter by talking about suffering? (pg151)