

A close-up photograph of a person with dark skin and curly hair tearing a hole in a black t-shirt. The person's face is partially visible above the tear, with their eyes closed and a joyful expression. Below the tear, their mouth is wide open in a laugh, showing their teeth and tongue. The word "SELFIE" is printed in a bold, blue, sans-serif font across the black fabric of the t-shirt. The background is a plain, light-colored surface. The person's hands are visible on the right side, pulling the edges of the t-shirt apart to create the tear.

SELFIE

James 1 vs. 22-25

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Mirror Mirror

3 basic features of a mirror

A mirror:

- 1. Reflects light**
- 2. Reveals “perceived” imperfections**
- 3. Reshapes image**

Cultural vs. Biblical Mirror

Genesis 1 vs. 27-28

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2 Corinthians 4 vs. 4

The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

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Matthew 19 vs. 21-22

Jesus said to him, “If you wish to be complete, go and sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.” But when the young man heard this statement, **he went away grieving**; for he was one who **owned much** property.

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- 1. Reflect your standard of truth**
- 2. Reveal your values and affections**
- 3. Reshape your identity and view of self**

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**Mirror, mirror bright and clear,
whose image am I to bear?**

**I am God's image bearer,
reflecting the image of Jesus Christ**