A script from



## "Piece of Glass"

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What What defines us? What determines our worth? Linda has a conversation with

her reflection. As her value is challenged, she recognizes her ability to silence

lies and embrace the truth.

**Themes**: Worth, Self-esteem, Women's Ministry, Girls Ministry, Image

**Who** Reflection

Linda Renee

When Present

**Wear** Frame of a mirror- optional

(Props) Reflection and Linda should wear similar clothing. They don't necessarily need

to look exactly alike, just do what works best/easiest for you. Your audience will understand what's happening even if your two actresses don't look like twins.

Why Psalms 139:14, Ephesians 2:10

**How** Keep the dialogue conversational. Be sure to really practice the movements

between Linda and Reflection. Have someone watch or direct you to make sure

you're in synch.

SL = stage left, SR = stage right, CS = center stage

**Time** Approximately 4 minutes

**Linda** enters from SL as **Reflection**, a girl identically dressed as **Linda**, enters from SR. They meet CS.

The girls should mirror each other's movements **only** when noted in the script. Otherwise, they should act as individuals, standing opposite one another.

**Reflection:** Wow.

**Linda:** What?

**Reflection:** I just thought at one point...you know?

**Linda:** At one point, what?

**Reflection:** Things would get better.

**Linda:** Yeah. Me too.

**Reflection:** Your eyes.

**Linda:** I didn't get a lot of sleep last night.

**Reflection:** And your hair.

**Linda:** It's humid out.

**Reflection:** Humidity and lack of sleep can't explain your fashion choice.

**Linda:** I thought it would be flattering.

**Reflection:** It's not.

**Linda:** The magazine said that dark colors-

**Reflection:** (Interrupting) Magazines aren't talking about girls who look like you.

**Linda:** I know.

**Reflection:** Do you?

Note: If you are using this script in a public school, you may omit the next line if needed.

**Linda:** (*Reciting to herself*) I'm fearfully and wonderfully made.

**Reflection:** Ok. Then why do you have to try so hard?

**Linda:** What do you mean?



As **Reflection** moves, **Linda** should mirror her movements.

**Reflection:** The new haircut.

**Reflection** and **Linda** both reach for their hair.

**Reflection:** The new clothes.

**Reflection** and **Linda** both reach for the bottom of their shirt.

**Reflection:** You even put on makeup.

**Reflection** and **Linda** both reach for their face.

**Linda:** I thought it might help.

**Reflection:** It doesn't.

**Linda:** I thought things would be different this year.

**Reflection:** A new school doesn't change the fact that...

**Linda:** What?

**Reflection:** The fact that you still look like you. You'll always look like you.

**Linda:** I want to look like me.

**Reflection:** No, you don't. Believe me. I see you every day. Nobody wants to look

the way you do.

**Linda:** I just want to look like a *pretty* version of me.

**Reflection:** There's no such thing.

**Renee:** (Offstage) Linda?

**Linda** doesn't move. She stands starring at **Reflection**.

Renee enters.

**Renee:** What are you doing in here?

**Linda:** Just checking my makeup.

**Renee:** You look great.

**Linda:** (*Not convinced, she fidgets with her shirt*) Thanks.

**Renee:** Really. The new outfit, the haircut, you look great.

**Linda:** Maybe like I'm trying too hard.

**Renee:** Who told you that?

Pause.

**Renee:** (Looking at **Reflection**) She's not real you know.

Pause.

**Renee:** You really do look nice.

Pause.

**Renee:** (Knowing that Linda's not convinced, but also realizing the time) We're

going to be late.

**Linda:** I'll meet you outside in a second.

Renee exits.

**Linda** touches her hair once again. **Reflection** mirrors her movement. Then **Linda** slightly stretches her hand out towards **Reflection**, as if she's touching a mirror. **Reflection** mirrors her movement.

**Linda:** This year will be different.

**Reflection:** How?

**Linda:** This year, you don't get to define me.

**Linda** turns and begins to exit. **Reflection** watches her leave.

**Reflection:** (*Threateningly*) I will always define you.

**Linda** turns around and looks at **Reflection** once more.

Note: If performing in a public school, you may omit the line "My God defines me" if needed.

**Linda:** My God defines me. You're just a piece of glass.

**Linda** exits. Lights down.

