

RE Knowledge Organiser

Key Question

What kind of world did Jesus want?

Topic Overview

- Find out what Jesus asks of his disciples and what they would have to give up.
- Learn about the four Gospels and their authors.
- Hear and discuss some of the events from Jesus' life, eg the healing of lepers, and some of the parables he told, eg, *the Parable of the Good Samaritan*.
- Look for evidence that churches are making the world like the one Jesus wanted: look at local church noticeboards or websites to see what they spend their time doing; discuss and form opinions about which is more important to Christians: toddler groups or food banks; worship services or caring for the elderly; celebrating a baptism, a wedding or a funeral; reading the Bible or giving to charity, etc.
- Consider how it is not only Christians who want a better world – so do people from other faiths and those with no religious faith.
- Discuss what kind of world you would like to see and why, and what you would do to bring it about. Compare this with the kind of world they think Jesus wanted (e.g. showing love for all, even the outcasts).

Key Vocabulary

Disciple	A follower of Jesus in the Gospels
New Testament	The books of the Bible that focus on the teachings of Jesus
Gospel	One of four books that tell the life of Jesus
Leper	Someone suffering from leprosy
Galilee	The part of Palestine where Jesus lived
Samaritan	Someone from Samaria, in Palestine
Parable	A story with a message

Learning Outcomes

- Identify texts that come from a Gospel, which tells the story of the life and teaching of Jesus
- Make clear links between the calling of the first disciples and how Christians today try to follow Jesus and be 'fishers of people'
- Suggest ideas and then find out about what Jesus' actions towards outcasts mean for a Christian.
- Give examples of how Christians try to show love for all, including how Christian leaders try to follow Jesus' teaching in different ways.
- Make links between the importance of love in the Bible stories studied and life in the world today, giving a good reason for their ideas