

Understanding Christianity People Of God | RE | Years 3 & 4 | Autumn 2020

Key Question

What is it like to follow God?

Key Concepts

Covenant between God and his people	Children to understand the link between the story of Noah and the idea of a covenant
Promises at wedding a ceremony	Explore the simple links arising from the story of Noah and how Christians exchange vows and promises at a wedding ceremony
How we live in school and wider world	Use the story of Noah to make links to explain how we live today in school and in a wider context

Key People

Noah	Old testament character who followed God's instructions and built an arc to survive the Flood. He showed good moral behaviour while others acted wickedly and trusting God.
David and Goliath	Old Testament character David is a strong but unassuming shepherd who becomes God's choice to replace Saul as king of Israel. His humility becomes clear early in his youth, when he kills the giant Goliath with a sling stone, declining the opportunity to use Saul's royal armour. As king, his foremost quality is obedience to God.
Moses	Born in Egypt, Moses is raised by Pharaoh's daughter, who takes pity on the abandoned Hebrew baby. After an impulsive murder, Moses flees west, where he begins a life as a shepherd and stumbles into God in the form of a burning bush. He reluctantly agrees to return to Egypt, Each event in the journey from Egypt to Mount Sinai, where God delivers his laws to the Israelites, propels Moses further into the roles of prophet, priest, ruler, and saviour of Israel.

Key Vocabulary

1	Covenant	A promise , a pact
2	Prophet	Someone who prophesises. Often an outsider, making pronouncements and judgements about how the Jews were living
3	Prophecy	Foretelling of the future
4	Responsibilities	Obligations or duties that humans undertake to show their love for God
5	Forgiveness	God continues to forgive humans even when they mess up
6	Symbol	Something that stands for or represents another thing; a ring as a symbol of God's never ending love in a wedding ceremony
7	Wedding ceremony	A promise made between 2 people to love and honour one another- Christian ceremony also initiates a partnership between the couple and God

Key Bible Passages

Genesis 6:5-9:17	Account of the story of Noah
1 Samuel – 17 : 49	Describes David killing Goliath with the stone
Genesis 7:1	God instructs Noah to enter the arc.

Session	Key Learning	Activity
1.	Explore the simple links between the story of Noah and the idea of a covenant	Drama activity - Children to act out parts of the story. – photo page for books
2.	We have responsibilities to God and to each other	Children to think about the promises God made and Noah made- we have responsibilities given by God and as part of God's people we need to try and live by his wishes. Children to list qualities Noah had that made God chose him above others, complete sheet detailing qualities on sheet
3.	God's forgiving nature and how we should react to hurt and disputes	Look at story of Max and his mum and investigate his feelings and emotions. Complete table describing events in story, Max's emotions and why he may have felt like this. Draw parallel with God and his forgiving nature.
4.	Explore the covenants made between God and his people and how it relates to us today	Children decide on 1 action could do to make table/group, a better place to work. Each row creates a table contract and signs
5.	Making links between the story of Noah and promises that Christians make at weddings	Promise scavenger hunt – find promises made within wedding service and red herrings- put together to recreate a wedding service then draw links with covenant in Noah story and how it might help couple in their married life.