

Freeland CE Primary School

KCV Kingfishers Spring 2 Year B

Theme: Easter Religion: Christianity

Key Question: Was the death of Jesus a worthwhile sacrifice?

Key Knowledge

The Day of Atonement is celebrated today by Jewish people. It is one of the most important Jewish holy days and is a time to ask for forgiveness of sins (repentance) and put things right (atonement).

The Day of Atonement can be read about in the book of Leviticus in the Bible. The story of two goats is told; one is killed as a sacrifice for the people's sins and the other is sent out into the wilderness, carrying the people's sins with it.

Jesus is sometimes referred to as 'The Lamb of God.'

In the story of Passover in the Bible (Exodus 12) God rescues the Israelites from slavery and gives them freedom. The blood of a sacrificial lamb was painted on the Israelites doorposts to allow God to Passover them and not kill their first born.

The story of The Fall in the Bible (Genesis 3) is seen by Christians as the beginning of human sin.

Today people of all faith's and with no faith, make sacrifices such as sponsored events, working in a job where their life is put at risk etc

Christians believe that Jesus died for a purpose, to give life to others.

People sometimes make sacrifices for others:

Emmeline Pankhurst sacrificed her safety to campaign for women's emancipation.

Martin Luther King Jr sacrificed his life for equality and civil rights for African Americans through peaceful protest.

Malala Yousafzai sacrificed her safety to campaign for education for girls in Pakistan.

Dashrath Manji sacrificed his time, health and safety to chisel a road through a mountain to get better access to medicine, food and water for the people in his village in India.

Key Vocab

Definition

sin	To do something that breaks a religious law or is seen to be bad.
sacrifice	The act of offering something up, that is precious.
atonement	Making something you have done wrong, right. The bringing together of God and man through Jesus Christ's life and sacrifice.
redemption	To be rescued from sin.
salvation	Being saved from sin.
grace	A special favour from God
resurrection	The rising of the dead.

Key Concept Questions:

What is a sacrifice?

Why is Jesus sometimes called 'The Lamb of God'?

What do Christians believe about the death of Jesus?

How do Christians celebrate Easter?

Is it important to Christians that Jesus made the ultimate sacrifice by dying on the cross?

Would it affect Christian belief if Jesus had not been resurrected?

