

KS1 - Unit 3, Lesson 3 - Jonah - make good choices

Context: Having introduced the Bible, we go on to look at some Jewish stories from the Tenakah (Old Testament).

Overview: The story of Jonah shows how God loves everyone and wants them to make good choices.

Essential core:

Salvation - Know that the Christian Holy book is called the Bible, and that it is divided into two parts – Old Testament (which Christians share with Judaism – Jesus was a Jew) and New Testament.

God - Christians find out about what God is like and how he wants people to live from the Bible.

Resources:

Black felt and pictures to tell the story of Jonah using Godly Play.

The Bible in Animation - Jonah - www.youtube.com/watch?v=v2jJexGI5Cc

INTRODUCTION:

How do people in your family feel if you make bad choices? How do they help you to think about what you have done? How do you put things right?

BUILD UP:

Tell the story of Jonah using Godly Play. The script is attached.

Alternately, you may wish to use the Bible in pictures animation video here.

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I wonder ... how do you think Jonah felt now? ... What does this story say about how God feels when people do bad things? Does God stop loving them?

TASK:

Reflect on what pupils have learned about what the Tenakah (Old Testament) says about what God is like.

Creator, almighty, good, fair, kind, just, loving, forgiving What do pupils think about these ideas?

What might these stories be saying about the ways that we treat each other?

Is there only one idea about God, or lots? Are there some idea about God that you like best?

Pupils might wish to make a collage with pictures or words about what these stories say about what God is like.

FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT:

What does the Bible say about what God is like? How might these ideas affect the way people live?