JESUS TEACHES US HOW TO PRAY

YEAR 4 – AUTUMN TERM

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Let us begin with a Prayer:

Dear God

We thank you for your love and your promise to be with us.

At school or work, at rest or play, help us to feel near to you and hear your voice. Guide us to always do our best in every situation and to love one another.

Amen

St Joseph... Pray for us

St Nicholas Owen... Pray for us

JESUS IN THE TEMPLE

For Jewish people in the time of Jesus, going to the Temple was very important. It was a special place to pray.

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Psalm 122

A song of ascents. Of David.

- I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD."
- 2 Our feet are standing in your gates, Jerusalem.
- ³ Jerusalem is built like a city that is closely compacted together.
- That is where the tribes go up—
 the tribes of the LORD—
 to praise the name of the LORD
 according to the statute given to Israel.

- There stand the thrones for judgment, the thrones of the house of David.
- Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May those who love you be secure.
- May there be peace within your walls and security within your citadels."
- 8 For the sake of my family and friends, I will say, "Peace be within you."
- For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your prosperity.

This is a Psalm that Jesus may have sung when visiting the Temple.

<u>Can you think of</u> <u>some actions you</u> <u>could do to this</u> <u>song?</u>

JESUS IN THE TEMPLE: LUKE 2:41-52

The Boy Jesus at the Temple

41 Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. 42 When he was twelve years old, they went up to the festival, according to the custom. 43 After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. 44 Thinking he was in their company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. 45 When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. 46 After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. 47 Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. 48 When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you."
49 "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?"[a] 50 But they did not understand what he was saying to them.
51 Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all

these things in her heart. **52** And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

JESUS IN THE TEMPLE

Watch the story about Jesus visiting the Temple with his parents, Mary and Joseph. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qOIaX1OVRCA

> How do you think Mary and Joseph felt looking for Jesus?

When found, who do you think Jesus was talking to in the Temple? What do you think he was saying?

When Mary told Jesus they had been looking for him, Jesus said, "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house." What do you think he meant? L.O - To know the story of Jesus in the Temple and how Mary and Joseph felt.

INDEPENDENT TASK:

WRITE A DIARY ENTRY FROM MARY OR JOSEPH ABOUT YOUR TRIP TO JERUSALEM AND WHAT HAPPENED

<u>Key Words:</u> Jerusalem Temple

Festival of the Passover Temple courts Teachers Wisdom Nazareth Earlier in the week, in English, you thought about the emotions of the girl in 'Girl and Robot'. Try to think about how Mary or Joseph felt and include these emotions in your diary entry. Here are some words to help you, which part of the story do you think they might have been feeling each of these emotions?

Frightened Nervous Anxious Confused Relieved Thankful Proud

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