

KINGDOM OF GOD RESOURCES

UNDERSTANDING CHRISTIANITY

TEXT IMPACT CONNECTIONS

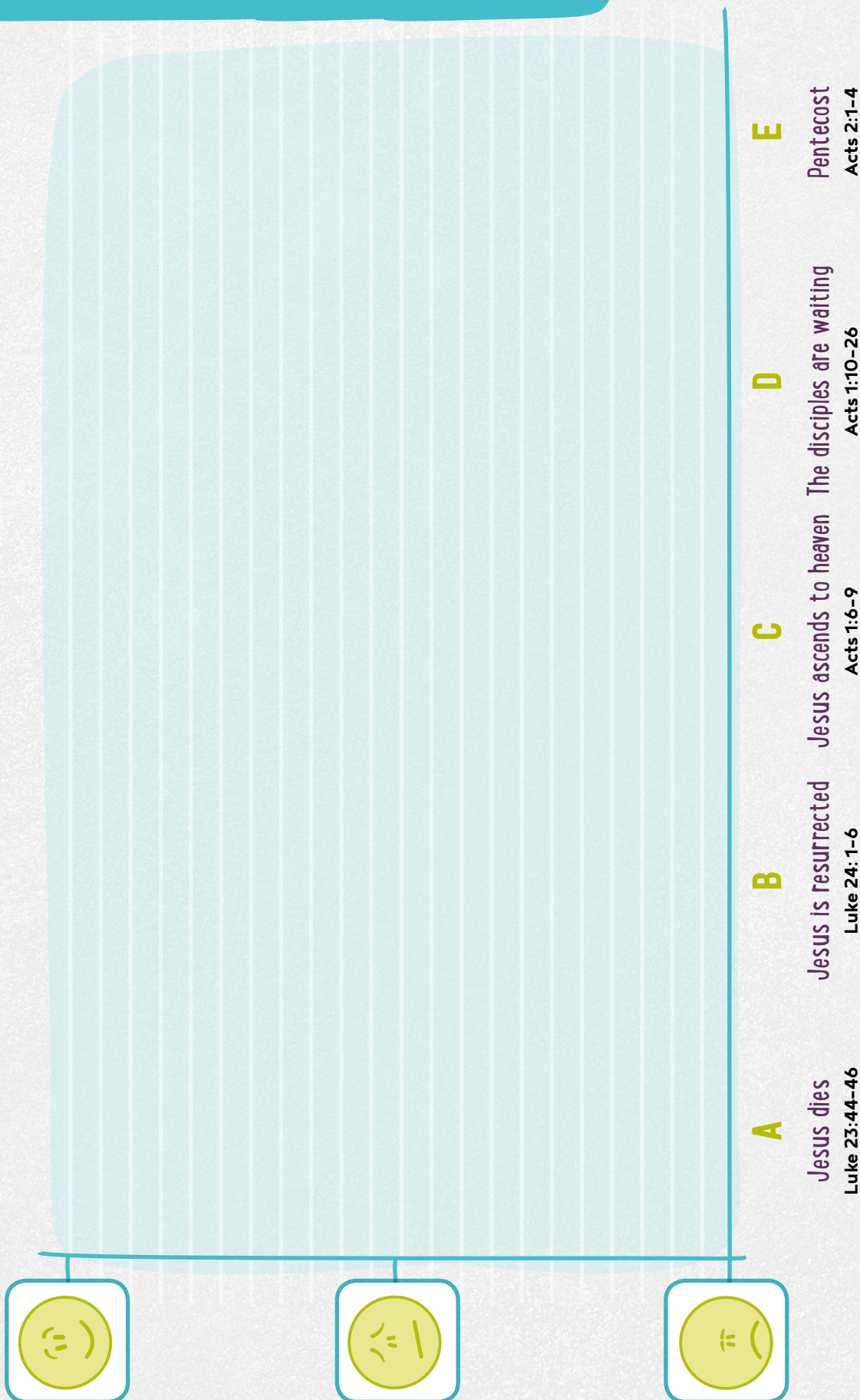
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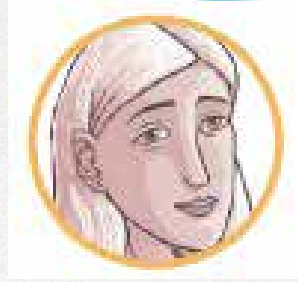
2A.6 KINGDOM OF GOD RESOURCE SHEET 1: RESURRECTION-PENTECOST EMOTION GRAPH

Mark on the graph what the emotions of the disciples would be at each of the events labelled A-D. Write a label on the graph for each event. What do you think the disciples felt like as they waited? What excited them? What worried them? What did they need? What might happen next?

After you have learnt about Pentecost, add an extra mark on the graph for E.



2A.6 KINGDOM OF GOD RESOURCE SHEET 2: TWEETS FROM A YOUNG CHRISTIAN TO A VICAR



@Rev Confused. Reading Bible & learning about Holy Spirit at Sunday school. Christians are 'led' by Holy Spirit? Don't understand!

@sam The Holy Spirit leads, guides & helps us to do what God wants us to do. He is a comforter, who reminds us what God wants. Does this help?

@rev A bit. Is there more? What about when I'm being tempted to do the wrong thing?

@sam The Holy Spirit reminds us what God says about how we should live & tells us when we are doing the wrong thing.

@rev That sounds great. So I don't have much to do. It's all down to the Holy Spirit?

@sam No, there's lots you need to do. The Holy Spirit will help you pray – you must do that. You also need to read the Bible.

@rev So how do I know if I'm doing it right?

@sam You know you're doing it right if you see fruits of the Spirit. Read Gal. 5:22-23. The fruits are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness & self-control.

2A.6 KINGDOM OF GOD RESOURCE SHEET 3: THE KINGDOM OF GOD ON EARTH: DIG OUT THE CLUES

Link the ideas and explanations to the lines of the prayer. From Jesus' prayer, what do Christians think the Kingdom of God is like?

God is wonderful and should be taken seriously. He is for everyone.

The Kingdom is where love is for everyone.

The energy to keep going, and a taste of what life in heaven with Jesus is like.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your Kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours.
Now and forever.
Amen.

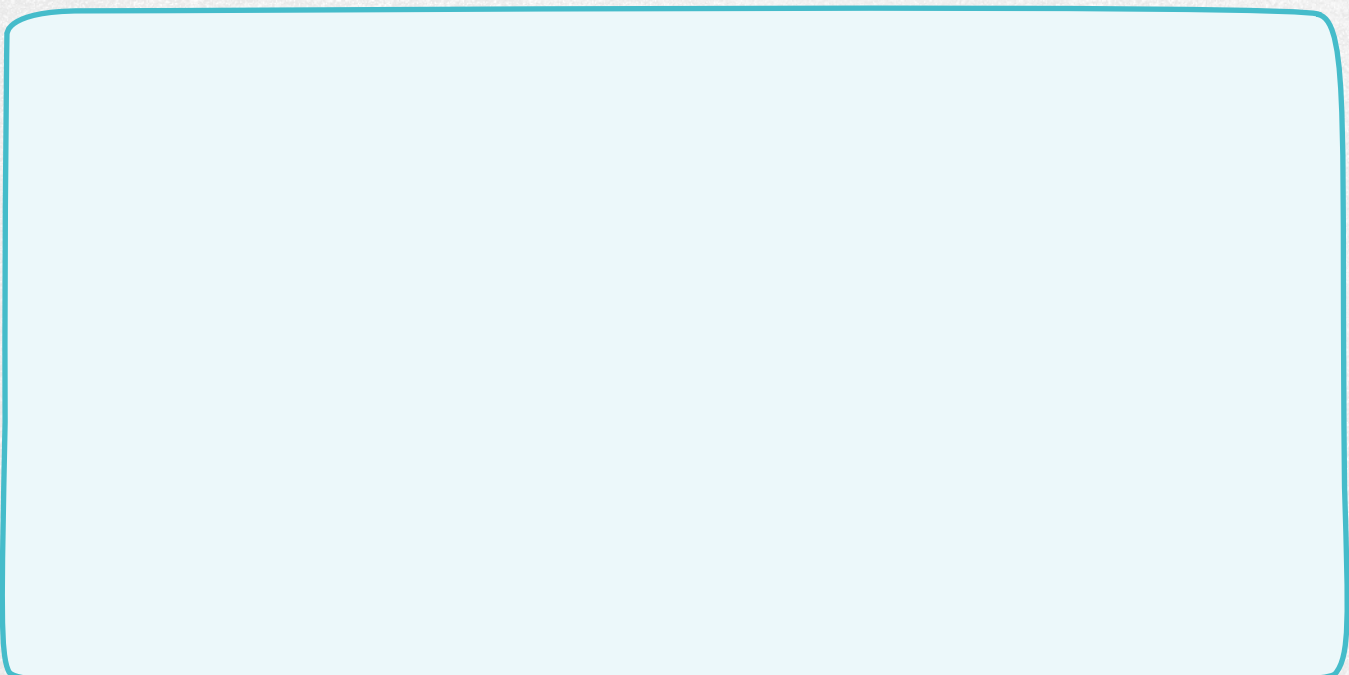
God's love is in control.

The Kingdom is like the best family.

The Kingdom is where people are forgiven for what they do wrong, because they forgive people too.

In the Kingdom people have the strength (through the Holy Spirit) to manage when things are hard.

The Kingdom of God: imagine that the world is actually like the description above. Draw a scene to give an example of what might happen in that world. Write a brief explanation.



2A.6 KINGDOM OF GOD RESOURCE SHEET 4: WHAT TYPES OF TEXTS ARE WE WORKING WITH?

- Cut out each text. Sort the texts onto two pieces of paper, one labelled *history book* and the other *letter*.
- Stick the texts to the papers. Annotate each paper, showing how you know why each one is a history book or a letter.
- Can you find out who wrote it? Who is it for/to?

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen.

Acts 1:1-2 (NIV)

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love to all of you in Christ Jesus. Amen

1 Corinthians 16:23-24 (NIV)

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ – their Lord and ours:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 1:1-3 (NIV)

Paul, an apostle – sent not from men nor by a man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead – and all the brothers and sisters with me,

To the churches in Galatia:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Galatians 1:1-5 (NIV)

Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city. When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers. ... In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty)...

Acts 1:12-14 (NIV)

See what large letters I use as I write to you with my own hand!

From now on, let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

Galatians 6:11, 17-18 (NIV)

2A.6 KINGDOM OF GOD RESOURCE SHEET 5: 'LOOKING AFTER NUMBER ONE' OR 'BEING THE BODY' SCENARIOS

Act out each of these scenarios in your group.

First act them out as if you are following the advice 'Look after number one'.

Then act out the scenario again as if you are acting as 'the body' talked about in 1 Corinthians 12:12-26.

The local church are making collections for the food bank. Do you donate, or save the money you would spend on some sweets for yourself?

One member of your school football team is struggling to make the practices because his mum has got a new job. Some of the team think he should be dropped from the team. Do you agree? What would you suggest the team should do?

There is a person in your friendship group who has been really horrible to you. She has now said sorry and the teacher has suggested that you all stay friends and forget about what happened. The other girls have said it is up to you. Do you all keep her as a friend? What if she is horrid again?

Your granny is ill in hospital. You visit her every Thursday. She loves you to visit her and she loves to hear stories about what you do at school and with your mates. There is a swimming party this Thursday. If you visit your granny you will miss half of it.

There is a cake sale at school for Children in Need. Your dad makes the best cakes in the world. He even went on a TV baking show. He always donates some cakes, and the teacher asks you to bring some cakes to the sale: 'Everyone loves your dad's cakes.' You know that your dad is ridiculously busy at work, too busy even to make one cake. What do you do?