

Year 1: Change

Learning Focus 3: A new start

What do you think the characters are saying?



Come, turn to Me

“Come back to me with all your heart.

Make a new start.

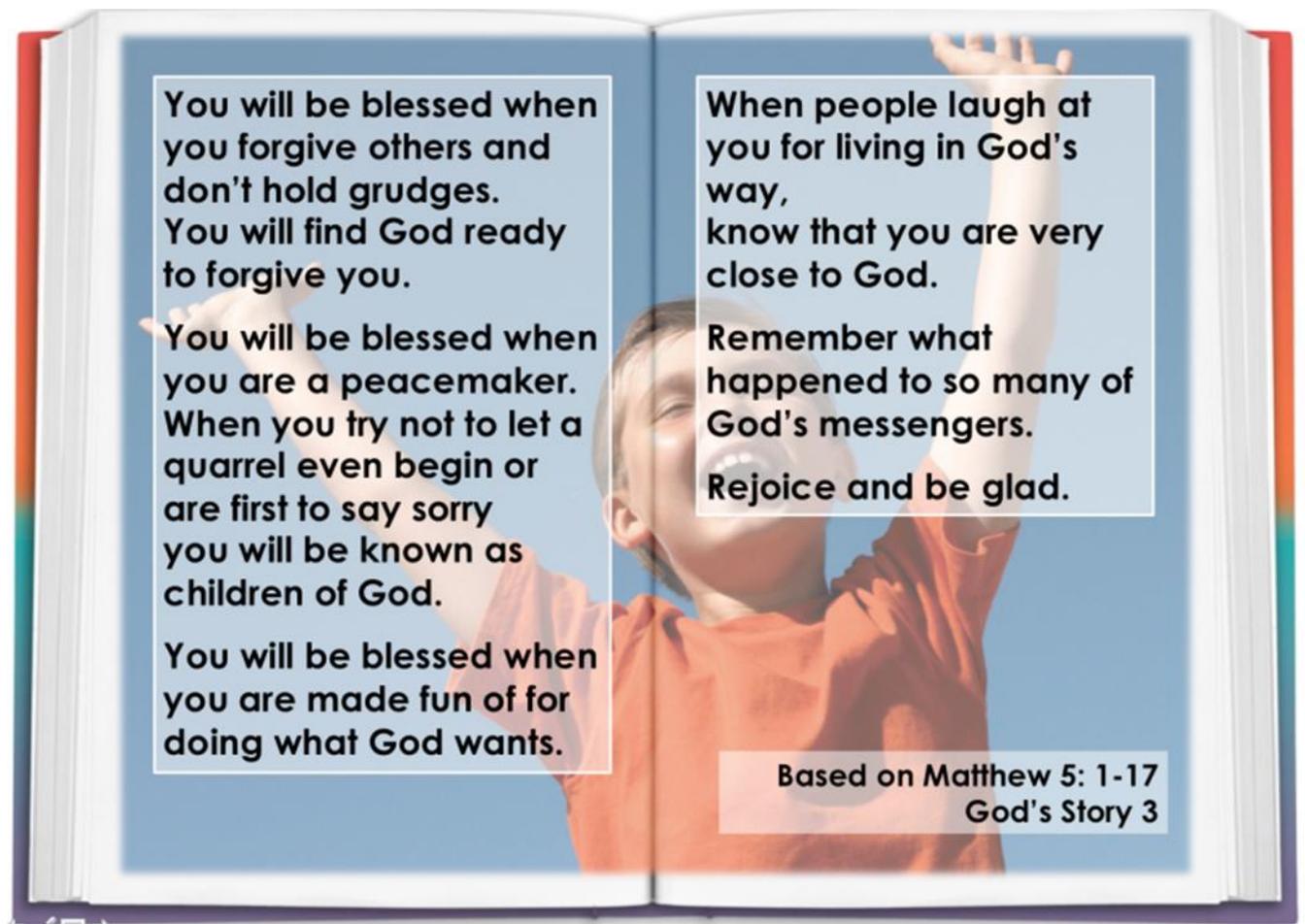
Turn to me for I am kind and understanding, loving and gentle.

I am always ready to forgive you.

I will never change.” (based on Joel 2:13)

Year 3: All Giving

Learning Focus 3: The Beatitudes



Why is it important to forgive?

What ideas has this passage given you about Lent?

Plan and write a short story showing reasons why someone is acting in a certain way.

Year 5: Sacrifice

Learning Focus 3: The Arrest of Jesus



Listen to the taize chant, 'Watch and Pray' and explore the painting 'Agony in the garden' by Bellini. Compare the picture with the Gospel of Luke 22:39-48

Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him. On reaching the place, he said to them, "Pray that you will not fall into temptation." He withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground. When he rose from prayer and went back to the disciples, he found them asleep, exhausted from sorrow. "Why are you sleeping?" he asked them. "Get up and pray so that you will not fall into temptation."

What do you think both the painting and Luke's account tell us about God's love and care? What do they tell us about what kind of person Jesus was?

Write a letter from one of the disciples to a friend describing what happened in the garden and how you felt, what you believed and what you learnt.