

Monday.

Good afternoon year 3 and 4.

This half-term's overarching focus question in R.E. is **Why is the Bible so important for Christians today?**

Remember when Moses obeyed God and led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt? He led them through the desert and on for many years towards the promised land.

Although the Old and New Testaments are important to Christians, the Old Testament is Jewish scripture too.

You are going to watch an animated musical version of the golden calf and ten commandments section of this biblical journey.

Before you watch this, you need to know that a sacrifice in Moses's time was when a calf or animal would be slaughtered as a gift to God.

Sometimes important people were allowed to eat the meat of the animal. Don't worry. At one point Jacob the calf in the animation seems to be about to be sacrificed but he is saved!

Search for **Ten Commandments lesson 1 and 2 Michelangelo Sebastian**

Think about the ten commandments below and how they have guided Christians and Jews in their lives. This would be a good time to have a discussion about the ten commandments with your parents or older brothers or sisters.

1. You shall have no other gods before me.
2. You shall not make idols and worship them instead of me.
3. You shall not misuse the name of the LORD YOUR GOD.
4. Remember the Sabbath.
5. Honour your father and mother.
6. You shall not kill.
7. Be faithful in marriage.
8. Do not steal.
9. Don't lie.
10. Don't be jealous of what others have.

Who has taught you how to live well or behave well in your life? A parent? A teacher? A friend? A relative? A holy book?

Can you give examples of a rule or rules that you follow as you live your life that you think help to make you a better person. Who taught you the rule? What is it? Can you give any examples of putting the rule into practice (perhaps during lockdown)?