

KS2 Ethos Group Worship: Integrity

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Ethos Group/Class Teacher

Is the prayer area clean and tidy?
Is there a candle?
Is there a Bible?
Is there a cross?
Is the Christian value for this half term on display?

Welcome

The candle is lit. God is with us. Join in as we chant (or sing) candle time.
Hello and welcome to our class worship this morning. The Christian value this half term is integrity. Integrity means doing the right thing even when it's hard or when no one is looking.

Engage

You can show integrity by:

- Doing things which help others, rather than yourself;
- Showing empathy when people are upset;
- Overcoming obstacles or setbacks positively;
- Showing commitment – to friends, clubs and other causes;
- Living out our school and Christian values.

It is important for us to remember that even if parents, teachers and friends cannot see what we are doing, God **always** does. In the bible, in the book of Proverbs it tells us, "The Lord sees everything you do. Wherever you go he is watching." God knows our thoughts, who we really are, and wants us to be the same whether or not someone else is watching.

The bible is full of stories of people acting with integrity. We would like to share one with you now. As you are listening to the story try to spot the person who acted with integrity and those who didn't.

Show ppt of 'The Good Samaritan'.

Respond

Who was the person who acted with integrity? **The Good Samaritan.**
Who did not? **The robbers, the priest and the holy man did not.**

That's right. The holy men were frauds, hypocrites, phonies. They pretended to be holy, but their actions showed that their hearts were not holy. These men who claimed to know God did not love others or care about their suffering. They did not act with integrity. God is love. If you know God, you know love, and you care for others (1 John 4:21). When you have integrity, your actions match your words, even when you don't feel like it.

The Samaritan did act with integrity. He took a risk and spent money and time to care for a stranger. In his heart he had the strength to do what was right. Jesus says we must be like the Good Samaritan. We must have the courage to do what is difficult or unpopular, when it is the **right** thing to do.

Let us pray.

Dear Lord,

We ask that you give us the strength and courage to do what is right. Help us to act with integrity and make the right choices even when it is hard or when no one is looking because we know you are Lord. Thank you for always being there and watching over us. Amen.

Let us pray together as Jesus has taught us:
Our Father...

Optional Song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iibEjmrn5E>

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So how can you act with integrity today? With the help of the class teacher come up with three things your class can do to act with integrity. Write them on paper or on the board and display until the end of this half term.

Let us say the Grace together...

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ
The love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
Be with us all, evermore
Amen

