**Theme:** Christian beliefs and practices.

**Key question:** What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God?

## **Keywords**

**Ten commandments** – Ten Commandments are important rules from God that tell Christians how to live.

**The Lord's Prayer** - A prayer that Jesus taught his disciples, beginning 'Our Father'.

**Baptism** – ceremony to mark the cleansing of sin and official entry into the church.

**Confirmation** – ceremony to mark a Christian's decision to live a responsible and committed Christian life.

The Eucharist (Holy Communion) - A Christian ceremony with bread and wine to remember the last supper of Jesus Christ Commitment – to promise to do something

## **Key questions**

What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God?

Does attending church every Sunday show commitment to God?

What does it mean 'to love thy neighbour as yourself'?

Is praying necessary to show commitment to God?

Is telling the truth more important than saving someone's life?



## **Attainment targets**

- I can show an understanding of why people show commitment in different ways.
- I can describe how different practices enable Christians to show their commitment to God and understand that some of these will be more significant to some Christians than others.
- I can explain why I think some ways of showing commitment to God would be better than others for Christians.

# **Examples of how Christians might show their love/commitment to God:**

- Following the ten commandments
- Love thy neighbour
- Attending church every Sunday/worshipping God
- Prayer e.g. The Lord's Prayer
- Baptism and Confirmation ceremonies
- The Eucharist (Holy Communion)

# Key sections in the Bible.

#### **Galatians 5:22-26 (Love thy neighbour as yourself)**

If a Christian is committed to God, they will be displaying love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control and not jealousy or conceitedness.

#### **Exodus 20:2-17 (The Ten commandments)**

- 1. Do not have any other gods.
- 2. Do not make or worship idols.
- 3. Do not disrespect or misuse God's name.
- 4. Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy.
- 5. Honour your mother and father.
- 6. Do not commit murder.
- 7. Do not commit adultery.
- 8. Do not steal.
- 9. Do not tell lies
- 10. Do not be envious of others.



# Christians who dedicated their lives to helping others

Martin Luther King Jr - An American Christian minister and activist who became the most visible spokesperson and leader in the Civil Rights Movement in the 1950s and 60s.

**Mother Teresa** - A Nun and missionary known in the Catholic church as Saint Teresa of Calcutta. She devoted her life to caring for the sick and poor.

**Christian Aid** – a charity run by Christians to support those in need.

