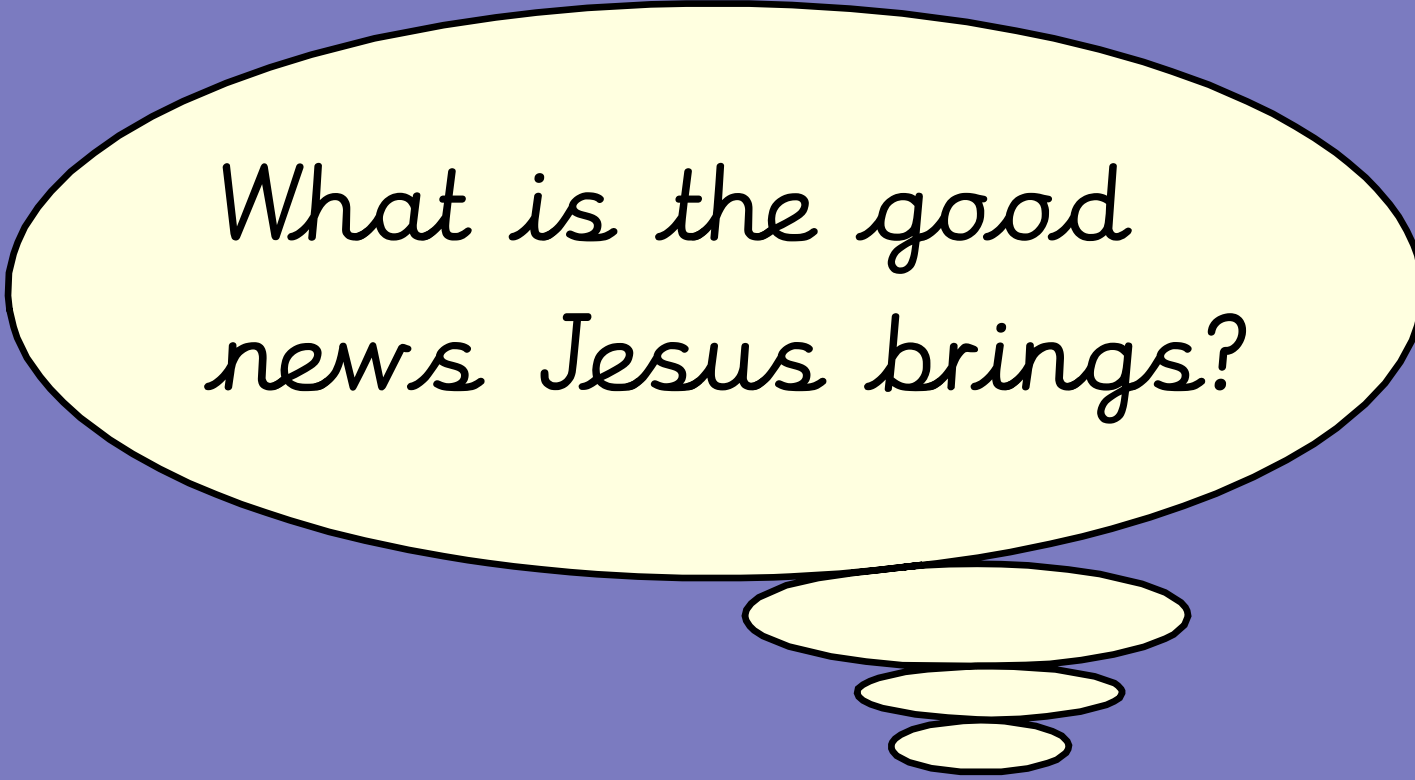


Monday 8th February

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What is the good
news Jesus brings?

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Christians pray because Jesus taught them to do so.

Christians pray because they believe God is listening. Sometimes God answers prayers in good or surprising ways.

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Which prayers
do you like
best and why?

Dear God, thank you that you
made us all to be friends.
Help me to be a good friend
to others.
Amen

Dear God, help me to be kind to
others and forgive them, even when
they hurt me.
Make me into the kind of person
who is good at forgiving.
Amen

Thank you God for all the beauty
of the Earth, especially when the
sun shines as it goes down.
Amen

Dear God, we pray for the people
of South Sudan, who don't have
enough to eat. Please send rain
to make their crops grow, and
give us generous hearts to help
however we can.
Amen

Dear God, I never mean to tell lies,
but sometimes one just slips out.
I'm sorry I haven't been honest.
Please forgive me, and help me to
tell the truth next time.
Amen

Thank you God for such
a great day!

Dear God, I pray for nurses
and doctors.
I pray for everyone who
is poorly today.
Thank you that our bodies
are good at getting better.
Please help those who are
poorly to be well soon.
Amen

Make me strong when I feel weak.
Give me courage when I feel scared.
Keep close when I feel alone.
Amen

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Which of the prayers on the previous page might you use when...

- You've had a great day.
- You feel afraid.
- Someone you love is ill.
- You're looking for a friend.
- You are watching a lovely sunset.
- Someone has been unkind to you.
- You've done something you're sorry about.
- You saw a TV story about people being hungry in a faraway place.

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Christians believe Jesus brings "Good News" some examples are:

- being a friend to the friendless
- knowing the importance of saying sorry
- to spread peace
- seeing God as a kind father
- knowing the importance of saying thank you

Can we link these examples to the prayers?

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Christians believe that God hears all prayers sometimes he answers by saying 'yes' to prayers, and sometimes he says 'no', or 'wait' - a bit like a parent!

What response do you think he would give to these prayers...?

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Yes, No or Wait....

Dear God, please give me lots of chocolate.

Dear God, help me to work hard for my tests at school.

Please God, don't let my hamster die!

Please God, forgive me for telling a lie to my mum.

Dear God, thank you for giving us friends and families.

Some Christians pray every day and some never pray at all. Do you think that makes a difference?

L.O. To know the good news that Jesus brings.

Even for people who are Christian, it can be hard to fit prayer into our busy lives.

Can you think of something in your life this week you could have said a prayer about?

L.O. To know the good news that Jesus brings.

One liner prayers are easy to fit into our lives and remind us we can talk to God any time about anything.



L.O. To know the good news that Jesus brings.

Jesus, I trust in you!

Blessed be the God of all
creation.

Teach me, Lord, for I am yours.

God, help me to love my
neighbour.

Help me to always be kind.

Let everyone have enough to eat.

L.O. To know the good news that Jesus brings.

Your task is to create a prayer candle.

Roll some card to make the candle and fix with sellotape. Write Jesus is the Good News on it.



Then write some one line prayers and stick them onto the top like flames.