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**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Sacraments remind people that

**God is with us.**

* **Reconciliation means ‘to bring back together.**
* **It is like a bridge that brings you back to God**

**Parables.**

Jesus told parables to help people. He used sheep and goats because people came from a farming community.

God is love so if you want to grow closer to God you have to act in a loving way towards others, especially those who really need help.

In the miracles we have studied, Jesus reaches out to those others ignore.

* Jesus really existed, he is mentioned by Jewish historians and Roman leaders - Pliny and Tacitus.
* Peter called Jesus Messiah.
* The people were expecting a warrior to free them from the Romans and help them establish a kingdom.



**Healing Miracles.**

* Miracles are signs of God’s love, signs of God’s Kingdom.
* They show Jesus’ care for those around him.
* Jesus healed those who were not cared for by others.
* Jesus cured a man with leprosy, others wouldn’t go near him.

Christians today help those who are marginalised in society.

Jerusalem to Galilee, desert to garden

**By the end of this unit, pupils will understand why Jesus performed healing miracles, explore the corporal works of mercy and understand the Sacrament of reconciliation.**

**Corporal works of Mercy.**

Feed the hungry

Give water to the thirsty

Clothe the naked

Visit the imprisoned

Shelter the homeless

Visit the sick

Bury the dead

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| **Key Vocabulary** | |
| Messiah | Christ, son of God |
| Marginalised | Parts of society that are not treated well |
| Parable | a simple story used to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson |
| Mercy | compassion or forgiveness shown towards someone whom it is within one's power to punish or harm. |
| Sin | Wrong choices |
| Gospel | Good news |