

Choices



The Prodigal Son by Rembrandt

Deuteronomy 30:19 I am now giving you the choice between life and death, between God's blessing and God's curse, and I call heaven and earth to witness the choice you make. Choose life.

Key Knowledge

The story of the Two Sons and the Prodigal Son
An understanding of sin, its consequences and Examination of Conscience
The Sacrament of Reconciliation
Thanksgiving for God's love

Big question

First thoughts

How do we make choices?

Key Scripture

Matthew 21: 28-31 – The Two Sons

1 Thessalonians 5: 12-18 – God gives us all the gifts we need to help us to live good lives

Luke 15: 11-32 – Prodigal Son

Key Vocabulary

Reconciliation – peace between people and God

Confession – admitting you've done something wrong

Conscience – inner sense of what is right and wrong

Penance – an act that shows that you feel sorry about something that you have done

Repentance – feeling sorry for wrongdoing

Absolution – forgiveness of sins

Key Skills

Describe the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Describe an Examination of Conscience

Describe some ways in which followers of Jesus live
Make links between stories and the belief in a loving and forgiving God.

Give reasons for what happens in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Give reasons why Christians make good choices and follow Jesus.

Hymns/Songs/Prayers

Act of sorrow/Act of Contrition

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Through My Fault / I'm Sorry

Coming Back Together