

Teacher notes

Books: Children's promises to God.

Reflection Area activity idea:

Children to develop a bank of symbols to represent God's trustworthiness. Children could write a simile and accompany it with a drawing.



Fruits from the Roots

GOD IS LIKE

Make a wall display showing symbols that speak of God's **trustworthiness**.

e.g. God is like a solid rock because ...

God is like an anchor because...

God is like a strong tower because ...

Monday 15th November



This half term's Christian value is:

TRUST

'My God is my strength in whom I trust.'

Psalm 18.2

Monday 15th November

Greeting

Light your class worship candle.



We have gathered in the name of
God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
to worship together,
and think about our value

Trust

Engage

God's promises are true and we *can* **trust** them. They are like a strong sturdy platform that we can stand on.

In the Bible, God promises:

Do not fear, for I am with you (based on Isaiah 31.41)

I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you (based on Isaiah 41.10)

Give all your worries to me because I care for you (based on 1 Peter 5.7)

He tells us that when we pray to him, we will be listened to and will receive strength when we are facing hard times. He promises that nothing, absolutely *nothing* can separate us from his love.

Engage

Which of God's promises do you think might comfort Kitty, Carl and Florence?

DRAMA OUR WORRIES



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Sending

Say together

PROMISES PRAYER



Leader: God of Love...
When we feel let down by others, we know...

All: **your promises can be trusted.**

Leader: When we need courage to face the future, we know...

All: **your promises can be trusted.**

Leader: When we feel lonely and sad, we know...

All: **your promises can be trusted.**
Amen

Tuesday 16th November



Sit down calmly,
ready for our
class worship
session...

Children will need
spiritual journals

Tuesday 16th November

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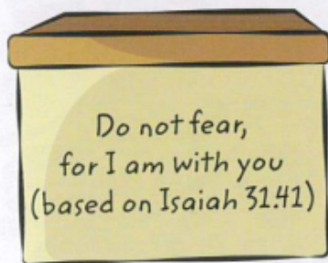


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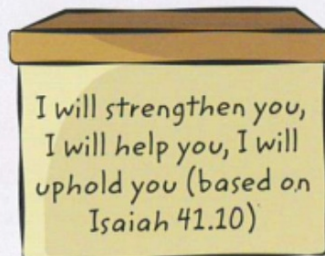
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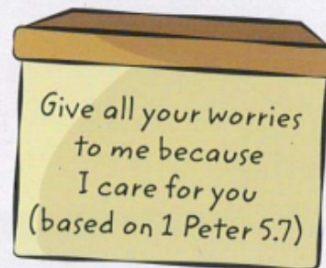
Recap: In what ways might God's promises provide comfort and support for people who are struggling?



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Respond

PAUSE

Consider some worries that you or someone you know, maybe a friend or family member, might have.

Respond

In your books, write a promise to God to help someone that you know is struggling or worried about something.

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If you get stuck, write a promise to help Kitty, Carl or Florence.

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Read aloud some promises you have made to God to help someone in need.

