

## Why? 7

<b>“We believe” – the Lord’s Prayer</b> (Matthew chapter 6 verses 9-13 & Luke chapter 11 verses 2-4)	<b>Year Group: KS2</b>	<b>No. of lessons: 3</b>
<b>Links:</b> Cambs: CWO1, CWO3, CWO4, CWR3, CWR4, P’borough: CWO1, CWO3, CWO4, CWR3, CWR4, N’folk: CP, CLS, CW ,		
<b>Learning objectives:</b> To know the Lord’s Prayer is the special prayer for Christians and to understand something of its meaning. To reflect on why prayer is important in the life of religious people.		
<b>Questions for reflection:</b> Who do I talk to about my special ideas and feelings or my hopes and worries? What are the special traditions which my family share? Why do some people pray? Do people have to use words to pray?		
<b>Activities and experiences:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ The church faced persecution from the beginning (and still does in some parts of the world) and common Christian statements of faith such as the creeds and the use of the Lord’s Prayer helped weld Christians together in time of trial. To help pupils understand this, watch one of the <b>Storykeepers</b> cartoon videos (originally shown on ITV but now available from SP Media) which shows how the traditions and stories of the faith were handed down (and the videos are fun!).</li><li>◆ Discuss together why some people pray and what kind of things they pray for. Consider what you do in collective worship. Look at copies of the Lord’s Prayer as the special prayer given by Jesus and passed down by Christians ever since, and underline (&amp; discuss) all the unfamiliar words. Look at the meaning of some of the key lines at an appropriate level. See the following resources pages for some help on this.</li><li>◆ Consider together how you can make the Lord’s Prayer an action or visual prayer rather than all words, and whether this would help people to understand it more easily. This can be done in several ways (and you’ll think of others):<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) Learn to sign the Lord’s Prayer – either in proper sign language, if someone knows it, or invent your own. (There are several variations of the signed prayer available, an Amerindian version follows.)</li><li>(b) Make a simple set of prayer beads with a bead for each phrase, and a prayer card to help people pray it</li><li>(c) Create a frieze of symbols or a display for the hall to help the school learn the Lord’s Prayer (see the following resources pages for two variants of this idea).</li></ol></li></ul>		