**KINGDOM OF GOD**

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| EYFS | KS1 | Lower KS2 | Upper KS2 |
| See curriculum overview diagram for concepts studied in each Key Stage | See curriculum overview diagram for concepts studied in each Key Stage | Christians believe that Jesus inaugurated the ‘Kingdom of God’ — i.e. Jesus’ whole life was a demonstration of his belief that God is king, not just in heaven but here and now. (‘Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven’.) | Jesus told many parables about the Kingdom of God. These suggest that God’s rule has begun, through the life, teaching and example of Jesus, and subsequently through the lives of Christians who live in obedience to God. |
| Christians believe Jesus is still alive, rules in their hearts and lives through the Holy Spirit, if they let him | The parables suggest that there will be a future Kingdom, where God’s reign will be complete. |
| Christians believe that after Jesus returned to be with God the Father, he sent the Holy Spirit at Pentecost to help the Church to make Jesus’ invisible Kingdom visible by living lives that reflect the love of God. | The Kingdom is compared to a feast where all are invited to join in. Not everyone chooses to do so |
| Christians celebrate Pentecost, as the beginning of the Church. | Many Christians try to extend the Kingdom of God by challenging unjust social structures in their locality and in the world. |
| Staying connected to Jesus means that the fruit of the Spirit can grow in the lives of Christians. |  |