



LANGTREE ASSEMBLY

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**WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM  
THE PARIS ATTACKS?**



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**START WITH  
GRIEF & EMPATHY**

**"REJOICE WITH THOSE WHO  
REJOICE; MOURN WITH THOSE  
WHO MOURN."**

**Romans 12:15**

# WHAT IS EMPATHY?

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**"EMPATHY IS THE EXPERIENCE OF UNDERSTANDING ANOTHER PERSON'S CONDITION FROM THEIR PERSPECTIVE. YOU PLACE YOURSELF IN THEIR SHOES AND FEEL WHAT THEY ARE FEELING. EMPATHY IS KNOWN TO INCREASE PROSOCIAL (HELPING) BEHAVIOURS."**



**GOD BECOMING  
HUMAN = GOD  
EMPATHISING**

## DISCUSS

### HOW COULD YOU SHOW EMPATHY IN THE FOLLOWING SCENARIOS? WHAT MIGHT THAT EMPATHY LEAD TO?

- ▶ Dean is a student in your class. His dad has been recently diagnosed with throat cancer.
- ▶ Your mum has just heard that her sister's baby is very ill with pneumonia.
- ▶ A friend confides in you that he is very worried about his GCSEs and feels he can't cope with his schoolwork.



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**REALISE WHERE  
HATRED LEADS**

**"ANYONE WHO HATES HIS BROTHER IS  
A MURDERER, AND YOU KNOW THAT  
NO MURDERER HAS ETERNAL LIFE IN  
HIM."**

**1 John 3:15**

## BULLYING IS A FORM OF HATRED

- ▶ I want acceptance so I get it by rejecting someone else. I feel better about myself by highlighting someone else's flaws.
- ▶ My group is the best. I gain favour/acceptance/reputation/respect within my group by hurting or harming someone else outside my group.
- ▶ That person deserves to suffer because they are beneath me.



THE PATH  
OF HATRED

PARIS

BULLYING

HEART

# BULLYING SHOULD BE STOPPED TOO

- ▶ Everyone has a responsibility to stop bullying. Report it!
- ▶ Someone who bullies needs to stop because he/she is practising hatred.

**Make a  
NOISE  
about bullying**  

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**#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK**

# HAVE YOU SEEN/EXPERIENCED THIS? HOW SHOULD YOU RESPOND?

- ▶ A group of students walks past Kara and one of them sticks a post-it note with 'freak!' written on it on her back.
- ▶ Each time Tom walks into class a group of pupils giggle and whisper to each other.
- ▶ Tina and Peter text 'No one likes you' to Sarah.



JESUS RECEIVED  
HATRED

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**HE RESPONDED  
IN LOVE**

**"FATHER FORGIVE THEM FOR  
THEY DO NOT KNOW WHAT  
THEY ARE DOING."**

**Luke 23:34**



**Jesus met hatred with love**

**"LOVE YOUR ENEMIES,  
DO GOOD, TO THOSE  
WHO HATE YOU, BLESS  
THOSE WHO CURSE  
YOU, PRAY FOR THOSE  
WHO ILL-TREAT YOU."**

**Luke 6:27-28**

END

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**JUSTICE IS  
ESSENTIAL**

**"PEOPLE ARE DESTINED TO DIE ONCE, AND AFTER THAT TO FACE JUDGEMENT."**

**"LEARN TO DO GOOD; SEEK JUSTICE, REPROVED THE RUTHLESS, DEFEND THE ORPHAN, PLEAD FOR THE WIDOW."**

**Hebrews 9:27 and Isaiah 1:17**



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**FORGIVENESS IS  
INCREDIBLY HARD**



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**PREJUDICE IS  
INCREDIBLY EASY**