

Unit 6.1: Life as a Journey and Pilgrimage.

Christian Concepts:

People of God: (Those people who believe in, follow and belong to God.)

Salvation: (Jesus died in the place of people, so that anyone who believes and trusts in Him will be 'saved' or rescued from death and able to be in heaven with God for ever.)

Key Questions:

Life is a journey. Do you agree? Why?

In what ways can life be compared to a journey?

In what ways does having faith give meaning and purpose to the journey of life?

Is choosing to journey through life as a Christian an easy option? Why? Why not?

Is every person's journey the same? Why not?

Why do people go on a pilgrimage?

Does a pilgrimage have to be to a place of worship?

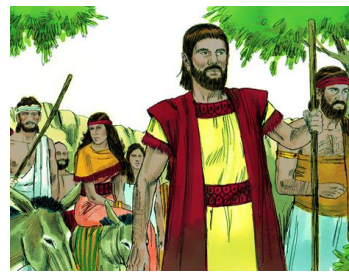
Key Vocabulary:

Holy Land: A term which in Judaism refers to the Land of Israel. The term is also used by Muslims and Christians to refer to the area between the Jordan River and Mediterranean Sea.

Journey: Travelling from one place to another.

Pilgrimage: A journey, often spiritual, to a sacred or special place.

Rites of passage: A ritual of ceremony marking a significant moment in someone's life.



Genesis 12:1 'The LORD had said to Abram, 'Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you.'

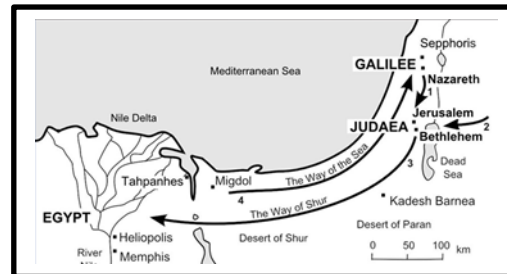
Key Moments Abraham:

Leaves home;

Promised a people, a place and a blessing;

Isaac born;

Prepared to sacrifice Isaac.



We learn:

Christians can trust God when facing the unknown;

We can trust God's seemingly impossible promises.

Key Moments Jesus:

Birth in Bethlehem

Ministry and Miracles - Galilee

Arrest - Gethsemane

Death - Golgotha, Jerusalem

Resurrection

Ascension

Christian Pilgrimage:

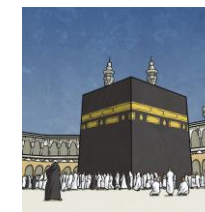


Holy Land



Vatican City

Muslim Pilgrimage:



Hajj to Mecca

Rites of Passage:

Baptisms

First Communion

Confirmations

Marriages

Deaths

Funerals



Christian Values: Hope, Perseverance, Trust