



Welcome to Worship

Time to think!

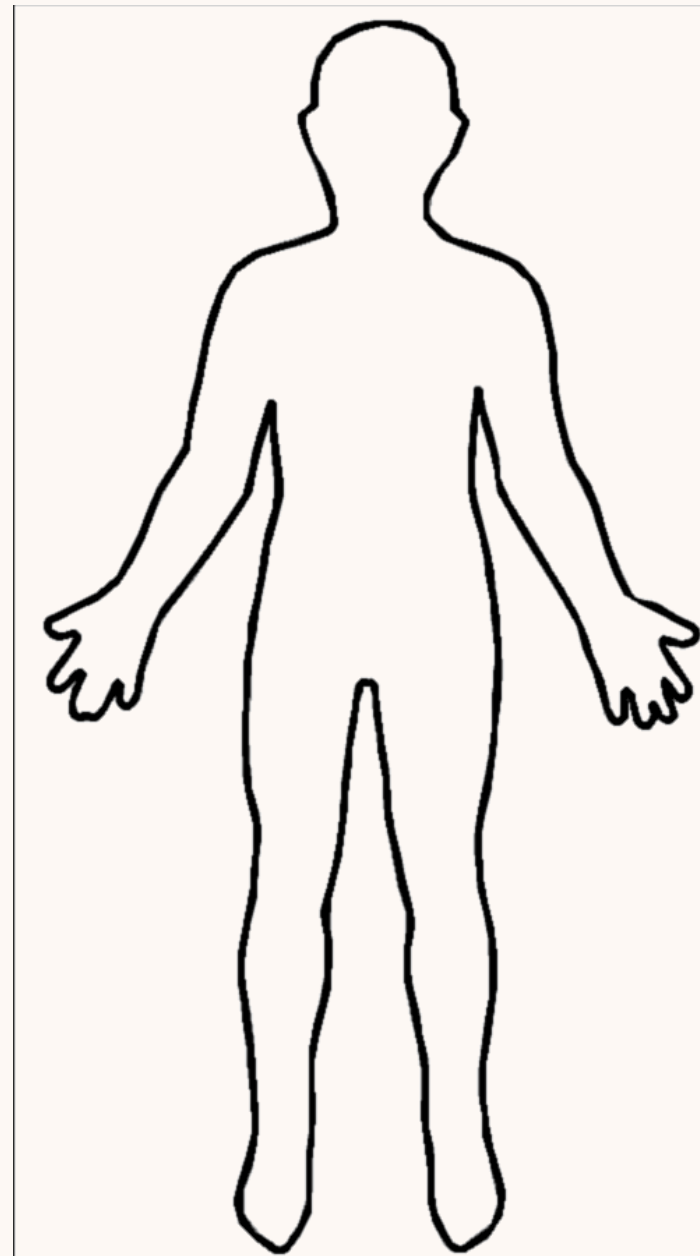


**If someone asked you who you are, what would you say?
What makes you who you are?**

What makes you, you?

**Turn to the person
next to you and let
them know 3 things
about you.**

**What would Jesus say
if we asked him who
he is?**



I am...

1. I am the good shepherd
2. I am the bread of life
3. I am the resurrection
4. I am the light of the world
5. I am the way, the truth and the life
6. I am the vine
7. I am the gate for the sheep

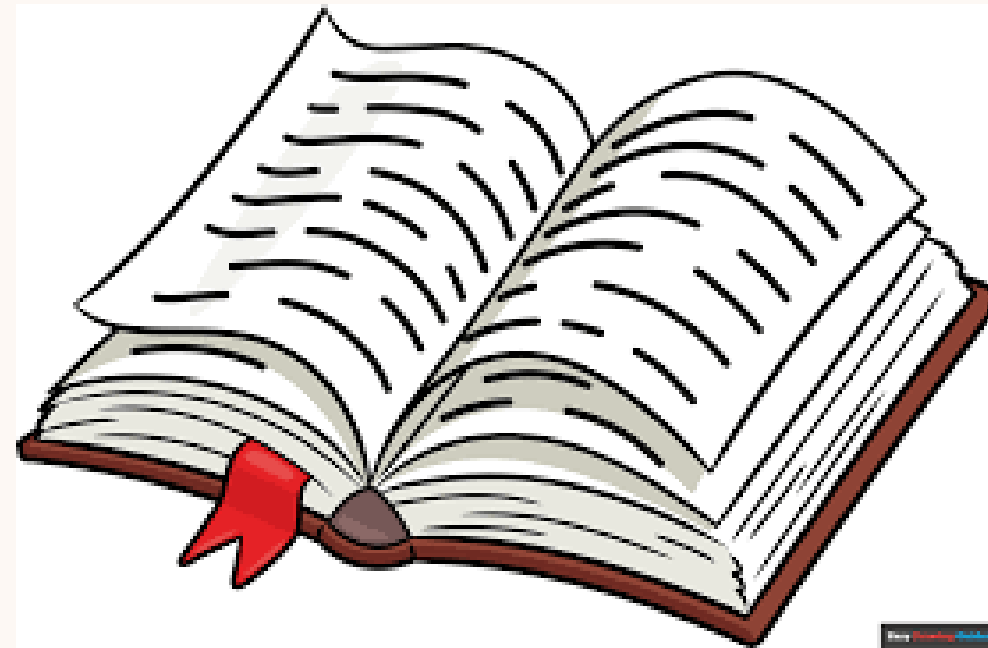


I am...

Rather than a simple name, he used a series of symbols that highlighted aspects of who he was as a person and what he wanted to do. Each symbol painted a clearer picture of his identity than merely saying his name would do. We use symbols to describe people all the time...



Symbols



An open book



Why did Jesus use symbols to talk about himself?

What symbol would you use to describe who you are?

Symbols

Jesus used symbols to talk about himself. He knew who he was, where he'd come from and what his mission in life was. Because he had a clear sense of his identity, he could paint pictures in this way so others could understand. It made it simpler to relate to him.

Stillness

If you would like to make this prayer your own, you can join in with Amen at the end or sit and reflect.

Dear Lord,

Thank you for the unique people we are.

Help us to identify and be proud of what makes us distinctive.

May we give a clear picture to everyone we meet, so their world might be a better place to live.

Amen.



Take it with you

What was your symbol?

Who do you say you are?

Do we always behave in a way that shows who we are?

How can you act in a way that shows who you are this week?



**Have a good
day**

Peace be with you

And also with you

Further activities

Fill out your person outline with everything that makes you who you are. This could include your personality, family, friends, hobbies, likes and dislikes. You could make a display in your classroom and celebrate that we are all different and can do different things. You could also discuss WHY you think you are the way you are. Is it genetics, your environment, God who made you the way you are or something else? What do you think and what do others think in your class?

