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JESUS TEACHES US HOW TO PRAY

WHAT IS THE SHEMA?

Shema is one of the most important **Jewish** prayers.

It is one of the first **prayers** learnt by Jewish children.

It is said three times every day by Jewish people.

It is included in nearly every service at the **Synagogue**.



WHY IS THE SHEMA IMPORTANT?

The Shema prayer is important for lots of reasons.

It reminds Jewish people that:

**There is
only one
God**

God loves
everybody
and they
should love
him

Everybody
should
follow God's
rules

Children
should be
taught the
Torah

WHERE CAN THE PRAYER BE FOUND?

Watch the video by clicking the link below:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zqkq6sg>

The Shema can be found inside the Torah.

Can you answer these questions?

- What is the boy reciting at the beginning of the video?
- How often is the prayer read?
- What is the boy wearing to show respect to God?

WHAT DOES THE PRAYER MEAN?

The prayer is written in [Hebrew](#).

The word Shema means to hear or listen.

The prayer has three paragraphs.

Here is a translation of the first paragraph:

Hear O Israel, the Lord is our God, the Lord is One.

Blessed is His name, whose glorious kingdom is forever and ever.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and all your soul, and all your might. These words that I command you today shall be upon your heart. Repeat them to your children, and talk about them when you sit in your home, and when you walk in the street; when you lie down, and when you rise up. Hold fast to them as a sign upon your hand, and let them be as reminders before your eyes. Write them on the doorposts of your home and at your gates.

Deuteronomy 6: 4-9



WHAT DOES THE SHEMA PRAYER ASK US TO DO?

Tells us how
to worship
God

Tells us
when to
worship
God

Tells us
how to
spread the
word
of God

L.O - To understand the prayers Jesus learnt as a boy

Independent Task:

Write your own prayer that begins:

The Shema

Hear O Israel, the Lord is our God, the Lord is One.