

UNIVERSAL CHURCH – WORLD

Special Places for Jesus and the Christian Community

CONTENT: – scripture – tradition – prayers

LEARNING FOCUS 1: Special places for Jesus.

CONTENT

Begin with the 'special places for Jesus' PowerPoint.

Scripture references; Luke 2: 11 Bethlehem, Matthew 2: 23 Nazareth, Luke 2: 41, 46 Jerusalem, Mark 1: 9 Baptism in the Jordan and Matthew 5: 1–2 Sermon on the mount.

SOME KEY QUESTIONS

- Q Where were the special places for Jesus?
- Q Why were they special?
- Q Why do you think some of these places are still special and holy today?
- Q Why are these places so special for Christians today?



SOME SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES

- Give the children a map with all the places that were special to Jesus clearly marked. Invite the children to write about which event happened there and why it is special to Jesus. They could then relate that to special places for them (e.g. the River Jordan is special to Jesus as he was baptised there. St. David's Church is special to me because this is where I was baptised).
- Invite your child to choose and retell their favourite story about Jesus, stating where it happened, why it was special and explaining why it is a special place for people today.