

Worship with Us

Learning and Loving
Together Forever

<p>Week: 2.9.20-25.9.20</p>	<p>Core Value Focus: Truthfulness</p>
<p>Scripture Link: “Walk with integrity, be righteous, Speak with truth” Psalm 15:2</p>	<p>Message from the Principal: Respect for each other and for ourselves is central to the QEA Way. We ask our whole school community to adhere to these principles and part of that is to be truthful. We share our honest opinions from a place of warmth and love, not malice or intent to hurt. We ask that our students reflect on their behaviour, attitudes and progress honestly, in order to make good decisions to help them move forward positively. We work hard to cultivate relationships that are strong and enduring. Being truthful enables these relationships to flourish.</p>
<p>Message from the Chaplain: Walk, be and speak. These are all ways we can show integrity. Integrity means a strong moral character. It also means being undivided. A character which shows integrity tells the truth. Integrity means being complete in our honesty and truthfulness.</p> <p>Zacchaeus in the bible was a dishonest tax collector. He used to take more tax than was right. He had the authority to take the money, everyone else was doing it and he wanted it to live a luxury life. Zacchaeus name actually means purity or innocence but he was not walking being or speaking truthfulness. Something changed when he met Jesus because he gave half of his belongings to the poor and everything he had stolen he gave back 4 times as much.</p> <p>Nicky Cruz had a similar experience of going from a life of crime and deceit he walked away from his life of a gangster and became a man of integrity. At 20 years old a Christian man came and told Nicky that Jesus loved him. Nicky’s life was changed for ever.</p> <p>Both these people tell us of the value of truthfulness. They both changed their lives to become truthful people to walk in integrity and speak the truth.</p> <p>These men are inspiring examples of turning away from a dishonest destructive life and seeking to walk with integrity be righteous and speak with truth. We</p>	<p>Discussion points: What is truthfulness? What parts of our life does it involve? Why is it good? How does truthfulness help us and the people around us? Why is it important? What would it be like if we didn’t tell each other the truth? Where does it come from? What inspiration do you draw on to be honest and ‘walk with integrity</p>

may be a million miles from where they were but the power of committing to honesty and truthfulness can make an impact on all of our lives.

Knowing Jesus love for us was the motivation that Nicky and Zacchaeus needed to become people of great truthfulness. We are all in different places but we can be grateful for our family, our school community and friends as the love we receive can be the motivation we need to be honest kind and fair. In our actions in our attitudes and with our words. How does Jesus love for you impact you?