1. Christian Beliefs

- 'God created man in his own image'
- 'Male and female He created them'
- 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.'
- 'In the beginning God created the Heavens and the earth.' (*Genesis 1*)
- 'Everything that lives and moves will be food for you' (*Genesis 9*)
- "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. (*John 1*)
- "...the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us... (*John 1:14*)
- **The Golden Rule**: 'Do to others what you would have them do to you' (*Matthew 7*)
- The Parable of the Sheep and Goats- suffering (Matthew 25)
- The Story of Job suffering (Job 1)

Example of Jesus; He spoke to and helped anyone (Canaanites, tax collectors, lepers, women), but chose only men as his disciples

- A person who continues to sin against you should always be forgiven 'not seven times, but seventy-seven' (*Matthew 18*)
- 'Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you' (Luke 6)
- 'I tell you the truth; one of you is going to betray me.' (*John 13*)
- 'And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me." (*Luke 22*)
- 'For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life' (John 3:16)
- "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me" (John 14)

2. Marriage and the Family

- 'If a man lies with a man as one lies with a woman, both of them have done what is detestable. They must be put to death; their blood will be on their own heads.' (*Leviticus* 20)
- **Ten Commandments** (<u>Exodus 20</u>); Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not covet (desire), Honour thy father and thy mother
- 'Women should remain at home, sit still, keep house, bear and bring up children.' (*Martin Luther, founder of Protestantism*)
- 'Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church'. (*Ephesians 5*)
- 'There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.' (*Galatians 3*)
- 'The Lord Jesus chose men to form the twelve apostles did the same when they chose their successors [...] For thus reason the ordination of women is not possible.'
 (Catechism of the Catholic Church)

3. Living the Christian Life

- The Parable of the Good Samaritan 'Love your neighbour' (*Luke 10*)
- "Pilgrimages evoke our earthly journey toward heaven..." (*Luke 2*)
- **The Great Commission** that Jesus made- "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit..." (*Matthew 28*)
- 'Go, sell everything you have and give it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven.' (*Mark 10*)
- 'If I give all I possess to the poor[...] but do not have love, I gain nothing. (<u>1 Corinthians 13</u>)
- 'All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.' (2 Corinthians 5)

4. Matters of Life and Death

- The Parable of the Good Samaritan 'Love your neighbour' (*Luke 10*)
- 'Your body is a temple of the holy spirit... it is not your own' (1 Corinthians 6)
- Ten commandments (Exodus 20); Thou shalt not kill
- "A good man takes care of his animals, but wicked men are cruel to theirs." (*Proverbs 12*)