

LO: To be able to describe and give examples of ways we can be thankful for God's love.

St Paul wrote to his friends in Thessalonika to encourage and reassure them. He told them that God's love, mercy, forgiveness and compassion are all gifts for them. We thank God for the gifts he gives us just as we thank friends for the gifts they give us. God gives us all the gifts we need to help us to live good lives.

Key questions

What do you think is the most important thing Paul tells the people to be?

What does he tell them to do?

What special gifts has God given you to share with your friends?

What gifts would you like to pray for?

Expectations

All Children.

Stick a copy of the text on a double page spread of your book, with the text in the middle.

Read the text and select all positive words in the passage e.g. *love, respect, encourage* etc and give examples of what people might do to be *loving, respectful* etc.

