



Year Group: 4

Worldview: Judaism

Enquiry Question: What is the best way for a Jew to lead a good life?



Core Knowledge

Abraham: Abraham is the founder of Judaism and that he made a covenant or an agreement with God. God promised that Abraham would be great nation. His wife eventually gave birth to a son when she was 90 years old, named Isaac. God asked Abraham to take Isaac away and sacrifice him. Just as he was about to kill Isaac, God stopped him and provided a ram as a sacrifice instead.

Jewish marriage: This is seen as a public commitment making ceremony and therefore a sincere desire to lead a good life.



Key Vocabulary

Mitzvoth: Doing good and helping others is a big part of Jewish life. There are 613 rules or ideas about how this can be done.

Tikkun Olam: This means “repairing the world.” It’s about doing kind things that make the world a better place.

Tu B’Shevat: The Jewish New Year for trees. It happens in January or February and is often marked by planting trees and caring for the environment.

Impact on Believers

On Tu B’Shevat, some people plant new trees or give money to plant trees in Israel, the home of the Jewish faith. Others give to charities that help the environment, reminding us to care for our world.

On Mitzvah Day, over 40,000 people in 35 countries join together to make a difference. It’s a chance to help with projects that support local communities.

Key Questions

What ceremonies have I seen or taken part in?

What commitments do I show?

What have I been to or been involved in to protect the environment or help other people?