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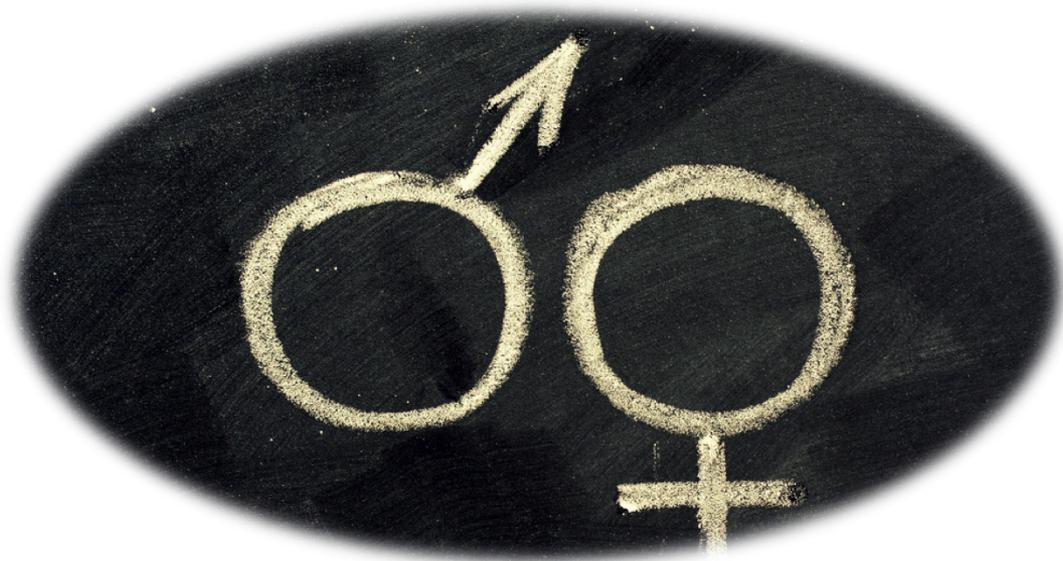
*Genesis 1.27*

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Then God said,  
‘Let us make humankind in our image,  
according to our likeness;  
and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea,  
and over the birds of the air,  
and over the cattle,  
and over all the wild animals of the earth,  
and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.’

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*Note to the teacher: there are two version of the creation of man and woman in Genesis:  
They are poetic narratives that explain a truth - but they are not history.*



male and female he created them - Genesis

## **It is not Good for Man to be Alone**

The man gave names to all cattle,  
and to the birds of the air,  
and to every animal of the field;  
but for the man  
there was not found a helper as his partner.



Adam names the animals  
By William Blake

When we name things  
we take on responsibility  
for them,  
we form a relationship  
with them.

In pairs, discuss toys or pets  
you have named.

How do you feel when  
a person calls your name?

Share your thoughts  
with the class.

## It is not Good for Man to be Alone

So the Lord God caused a deep sleep  
to fall upon the man, and he slept;  
then he took one of his ribs  
and closed up its place with flesh.

And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man  
he made into a woman and brought her to the man.

Then the man said,

‘This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
this one shall be called Woman,  
for out of Man this one was taken.’

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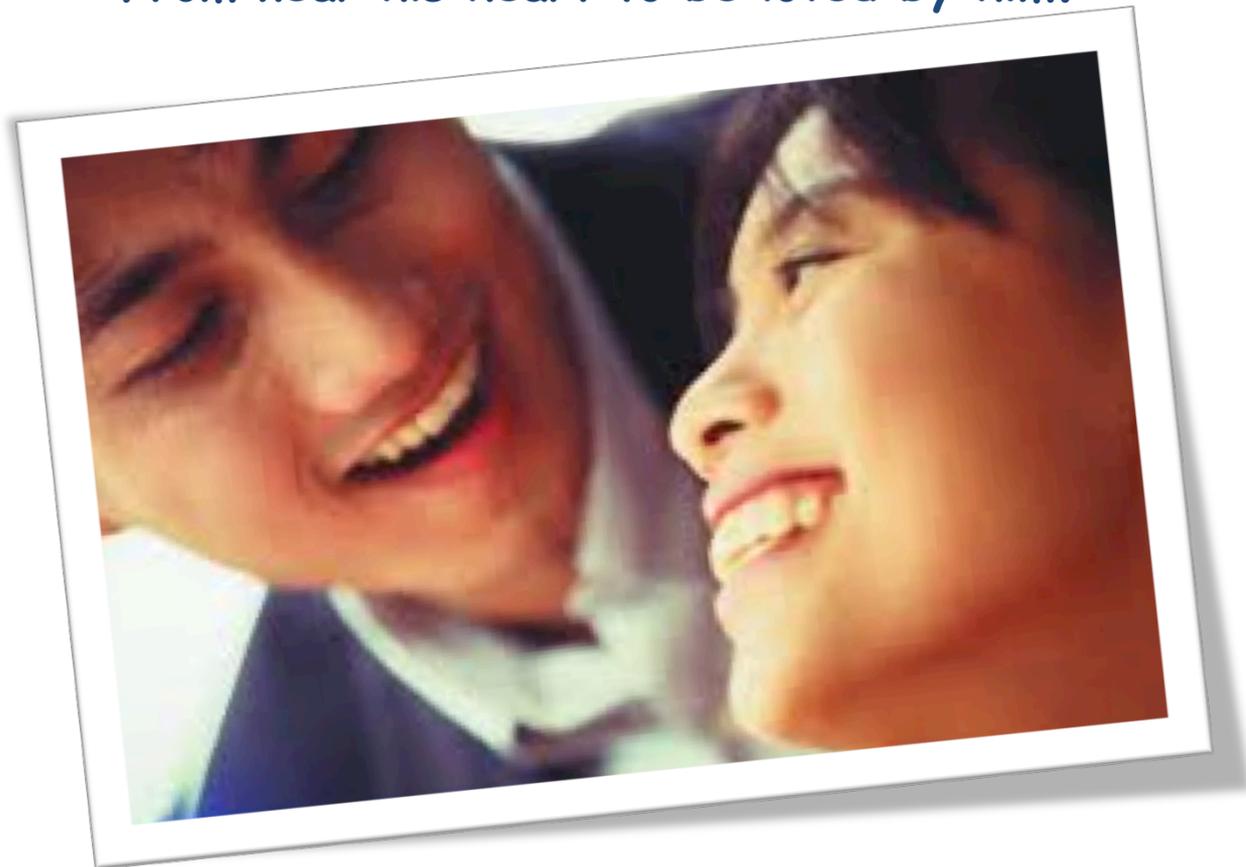


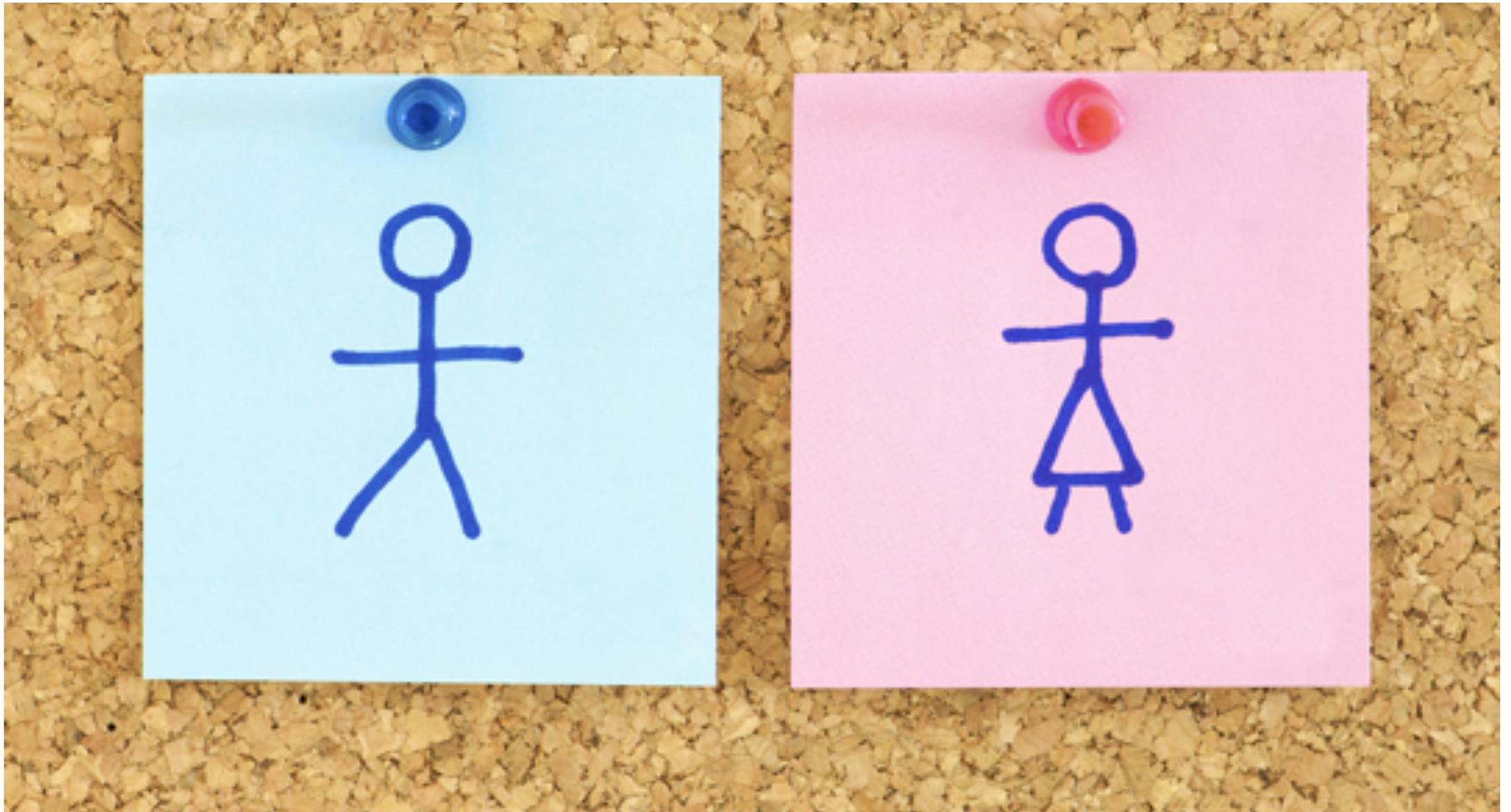
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Woman was created from the rib of man  
She was not made from his head to top him

Nor from his feet, to be trampled on.  
She was made from his side, to be equal to him

From under his arm to be protected by him  
From near his heart to be loved by him.





Men and women are created equal, in the image and likeness of God.

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St Andrew is the Patron saint of Scotland.

Can you see evidence of that in this picture of stained glass?

What in the picture reminds you he was a fisherman?

What in the picture reminds you he was a martyr, a person who gave his life for his faith?

Draw a St Andrew's Cross flag on 30<sup>th</sup> November, the Feast Day of St Andrew.

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## Jesus Calls the First Disciples

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee,  
he saw two brothers,  
Simon, who is called Peter,  
and Andrew his brother,  
casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen.  
And he said to them,  
‘Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.’  
Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

As he went from there,  
he saw two other brothers,  
James son of Zebedee and his brother John,  
in the boat with their father Zebedee,  
mending their nets, and he called them.

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John 20: 16-18 - Mary Magdalene, called by name by the risen Jesus and sent back to the faith community to witness to the resurrection.

## Mary Magdalene meets the Risen Jesus

Jesus said to her, 'Mary!'  
She turned and said to him in Hebrew,  
'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher).

Jesus said to her,  
'Do not hold on to me,  
because I have not yet ascended to the Father.

But go to my brothers and say to them,  
"I am ascending to my Father and your Father,  
to my God and your God."

' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples,  
'I have seen the Lord' ;  
and she told them  
that he had said these things to her.

## Mary Magdalene meets the risen Jesus - painting by Giotto



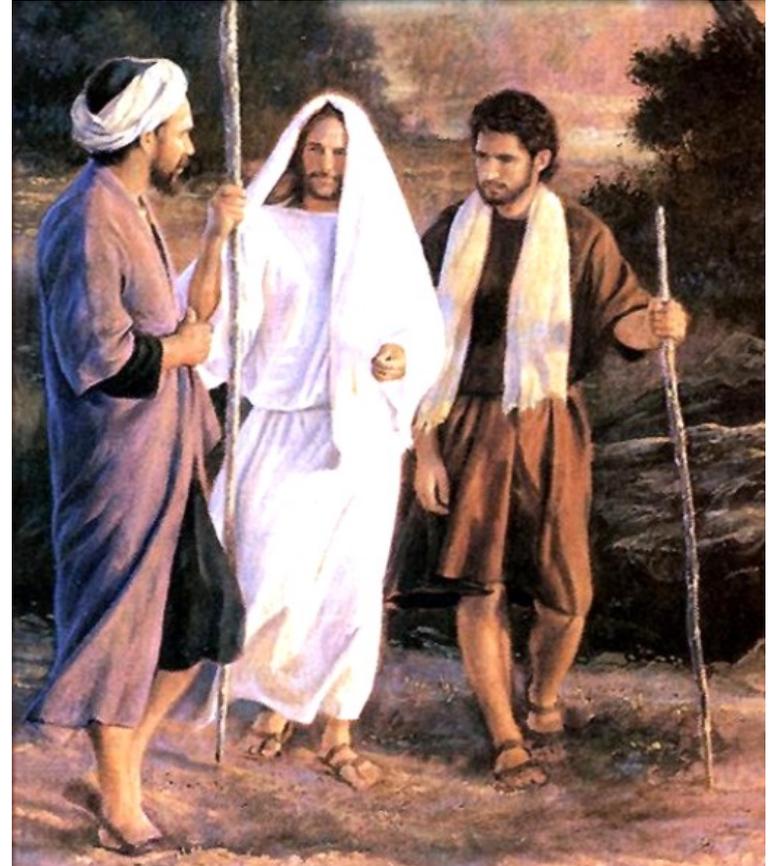
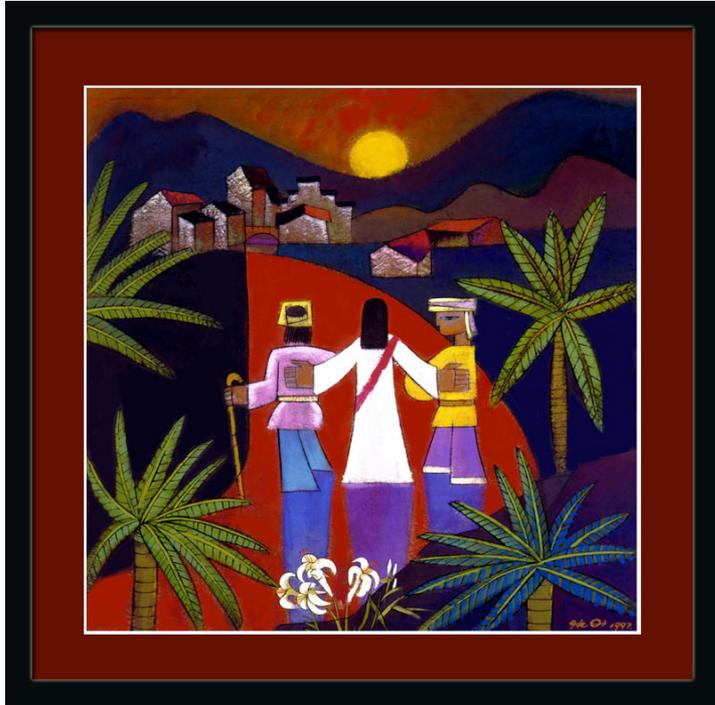
Make a list of feelings that Mary Magdalene might have felt:

from the sorrow and loss of the cross, where she kept watch; then her dawn visit to the tomb; her amazement at seeing the risen Jesus; then telling the good news to the disciples.

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- from the Gospel of John

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*Make a collage of the Road to Emmaus inspired by the picture above.*

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## Two Disciples meet the Risen Jesus

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened.

While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.

And he said to them,  
‘What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?’  
They stood still, looking sad.

Discuss this picture  
with 2 friends.

Do you think it  
suits the  
scripture passage?



The Road to Emmaus by Janet Brooks Gerlof

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Then one of them,  
whose name was Cleopas, answered him,  
'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem  
who does not know the things that have  
taken place there in these days?'

He asked them, 'What things?'

They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth,  
who was a prophet mighty in deed and word  
before God and all the people,  
and how our chief priests and leaders  
handed him over to be condemned to death  
and crucified him. But we had hoped that  
he was the one to redeem Israel.

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since these things took place.



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Moreover, some women of our group astounded us.

They were at the tomb early this morning,  
and when they did not find his body there,  
they came back and told us that  
they had indeed seen a vision of angels  
who said that he was alive.

Some of those who were with us went to the tomb  
and found it just as the women had said;  
but they did not see him.'

Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are,  
and how slow of heart to believe  
all that the prophets have declared!  
Was it not necessary that the Messiah  
should suffer these things  
and then enter into his glory?'



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Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets,  
he interpreted to them the things  
about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going,  
he walked ahead as if he were going on.

But they urged him strongly, saying,  
'Stay with us, because it is almost evening  
and the day is now nearly over.'

So he went in to stay with them.

When he was at the table with them,  
he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.

Then their eyes were opened,  
and they recognized him;  
and he vanished from their sight.



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They said to each other,  
‘Were not our hearts burning within us  
while he was talking to us on the road,  
while he was opening the scriptures to us?’

That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem;  
and they found the eleven  
and their companions gathered together.

They were saying,  
‘The Lord has risen indeed,  
and he has appeared to Simon!’  
Then they told what had happened on the road,  
and how he had been made known to them  
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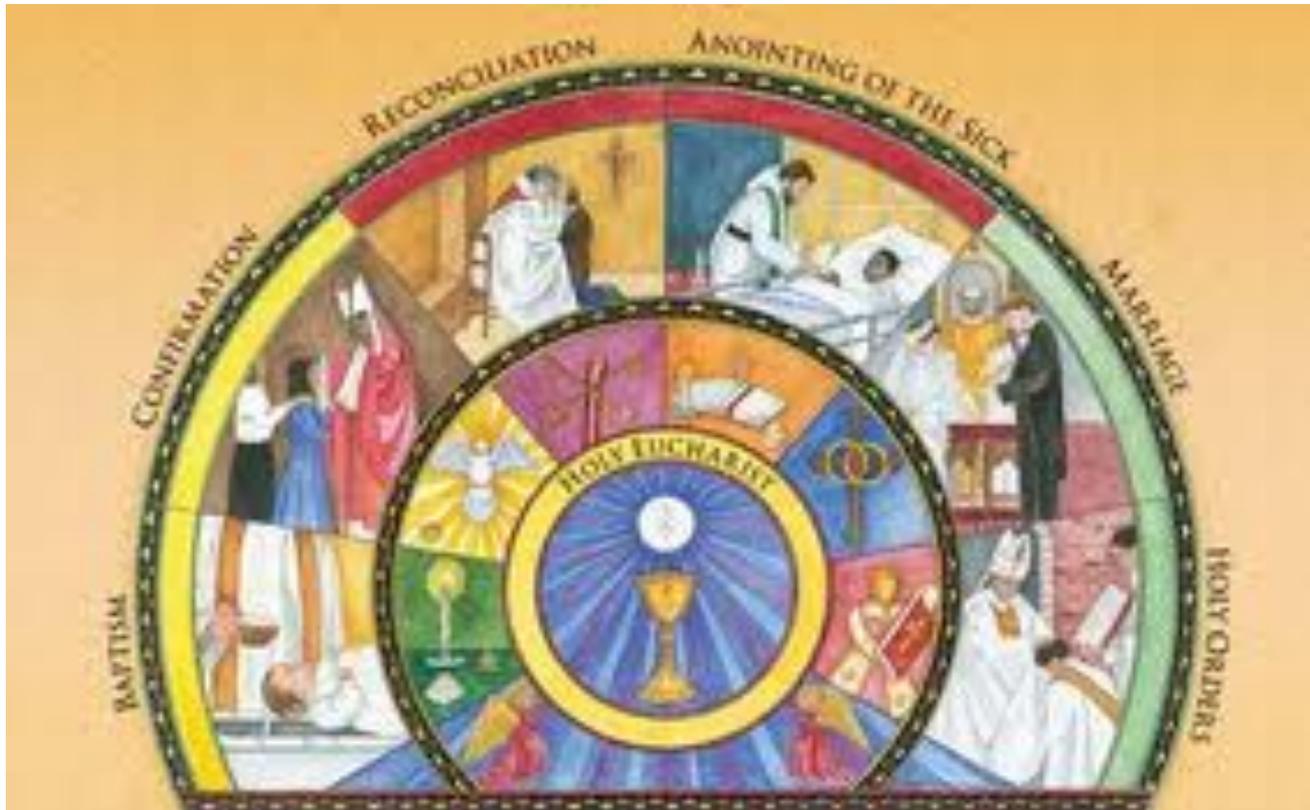
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*For the teacher: This piece of core learning is the umbrella phrase that is central to Sacramental preparation in Primary 4. It is the theme of the Archdiocesan Sacramental work books.*

Core learning: By reflecting on these Scriptural narratives and on the sacraments of Initiation, I understand that I am not called to live out my journey of faith and life in isolation from others but within the community of the Church.