# **Disposition: Being Merciful and Forgiving**

## **Lesson:** One

### Question/LO: What do Christians teach about mercy? How did Jesus put others first?

| **Dimension of learning** | **Activities** | **Resources** |
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| Learning from experience  Explore the Christian view of mercy through the Easter Story.  As its SATs time only 2 lessons have been prepared not 3. | In small groups discuss and list the consequences/punishments for wrong doings at school, at home and in society (e.g. missing playtime, being grounded, ASBO, prison).  Discuss ‘fitting the punishment to the crime’ using either word scenarios or pictures from current news stories as stimulus material.  We strongly advise watching your chosen film clip especially if you are streaming it from YouTube prior to showing it and discussing with the pupils.  Watch Aslan’s sacrifice in the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe film. This is how a Christian author, C. S. Lewis, illustrated the voluntary sacrifice of Jesus to save others from punishment.  Ask the pupils:  What did Aslan do?  Why did he do it?  Who did he do it for?  What made him able to do it?  Then ask the same questions of Jesus in respect of the Easter story.  Christians believe Jesus (as portrayed by Aslan) was not defeated by death.  Mark 16:1-8, Mark 8:31, Mark 16:12-14 and Mark 16:19 | The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe is available on You Tube or on DVD. Amazon prices for used DVDs start at a few pence.    Bible References:  Mark 16:1-8, Mark 8:31, Mark 16:12-14 and Mark 16:19  https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=mark%2016&version=NIV |