# Title: Peace and Conflict – Christianity

**Key Questions:** Have we ever been forgiven for something we did wrong? How do followers of T\* seek and offer forgiveness? How can forgiving others benefit us? Should I forgive everything? Have we ever been impressed by an example of forgiveness? Is forgiveness always possible? Can I forgive on behalf of others? Why can it be a good thing if I forgive others?

**Key Concepts:** Working for reconciliation

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| **Learning objectives** | **Activities** | **Resources** |
| To understand what Christianity teaches about peace and conflict. To examine some Christian teaches on war. To reflect and think upon the concepts of Pacifism and Just War for Christians.  | Starter You shall not murder.Holy Bible. Exodus 20:13 Blessed are the peacemakers for they will be called the children of God.Holy Bible. Matthew 5:9 Read both quotes and list what it suggests about violence/war within Christianity. Anthony Taylor Read articles or watch the clip Q1) How can forgiving others benefit someone? Q2) Is this an impressive example of forgiveness? Explain your answer. Q3) Do you think forgiveness is always possible? Read information on Just War and complete the table below.

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| Going to war is sometimes necessary\*Just War theory  | Going to war is wrong  |
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Principles of Just WarUsing the table headers above apply the principles of JUST WAR to the Second World War.\*There is a Just Cause \*It is declared by a legitimate Government.\*When the motives are right.When it is the last resort \*When the innocent are not harmed and the destruction is limited. \*When there is a limited chance of success. Plenary – which position of war do you think is MOST reasonable?   | Information can be obtained from:<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zjt2fg8>Clip can be obtained from: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006vj8d>Information on Just War can be obtained from a variety of different websites. Images can be obtained from:<https://www.google.co.uk/search?q=second+world+war+dates&espv=2&biw=1366&bih=643&source=lnms&tbm=isch&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwiryIuEz_rLAhXMWBQKHQ0vAIgQ_AUIBygC>Principles of Just War can be obtained from GCSE Bitesize.  |