



# **Compassion & Peace**

Coming to the rescue

## Lighting the candle Prayer

**Leader:** Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life

**All:** No-one comes to the Father, except through Him.



## Opening Collective Worship Prayer

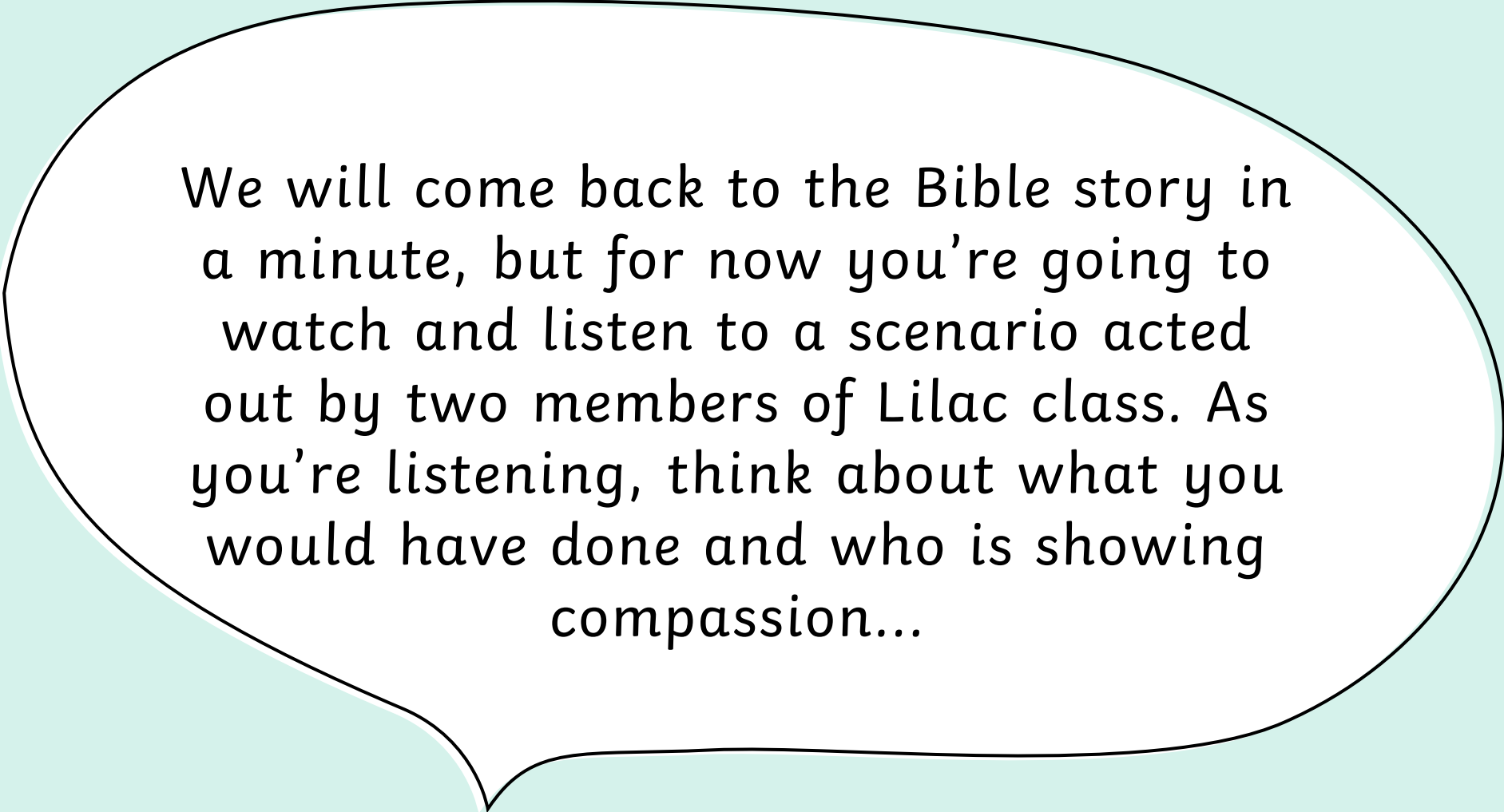
Dear Lord,  
Thank you for the beginning of this new day.  
Watch over us at school and bless all those we love.  
Amen



This day may our lives reflect:  
The compassion of God the Father,  
The humility of God the Son and  
The gentleness of God the Holy Spirit.



We're going to start today with a reading from the Bible. It is a story Jesus told to a crowd of people, some of whom would have been shepherds...



We will come back to the Bible story in a minute, but for now you're going to watch and listen to a scenario acted out by two members of Lilac class. As you're listening, think about what you would have done and who is showing compassion...

## Reflection

Think back to the Bible reading.

We heard about a lamb who was lost. He was probably hungry, cold, afraid and lonely. But the shepherd came looking for him because he cared about the sheep and wanted to help. We call that showing **compassion**.

Bella and her mum felt **compassion** too, when they found little Simon. Compassion led them to help, even though it made Bella late for school.

**How does it make you feel when you see someone who is upset or lost or fed up?**

Jesus told the parable about the Lost Sheep because he wants us to know that he is like the Good Shepherd who comes to the rescue. He will always show **compassion** and kindness towards us when we are in need.

This week is Anti-Bullying week. You will be doing some learning & reflecting on this throughout the week. For now, have a think to yourself about how Bella rescued someone in need even though she didn't know him. Part of promoting Anti-Bullying is standing up and speaking out when you see someone in need of help!

**Thank you prayer**

God of compassion,

You care for us more than we could care for anyone. Thank you that you sent Jesus, the Good Shepherd, to bring us back to you.

Thank you that you come and find us whenever we feel lost or alone.

Amen



# End of Collective Worship Prayer

Dear Lord,  
Fill us with Your Spirit, so we can  
follow Your example to reach out in  
love; stand firm with strength and step  
out in faith.

In Jesus' name,

