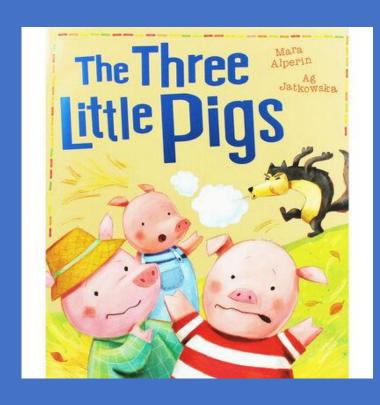
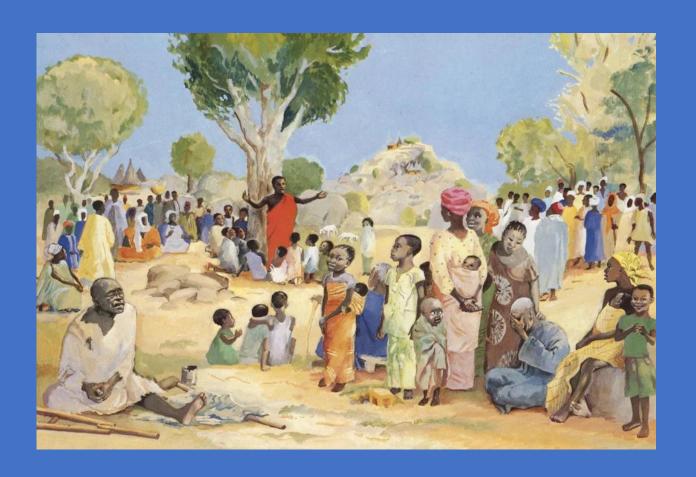
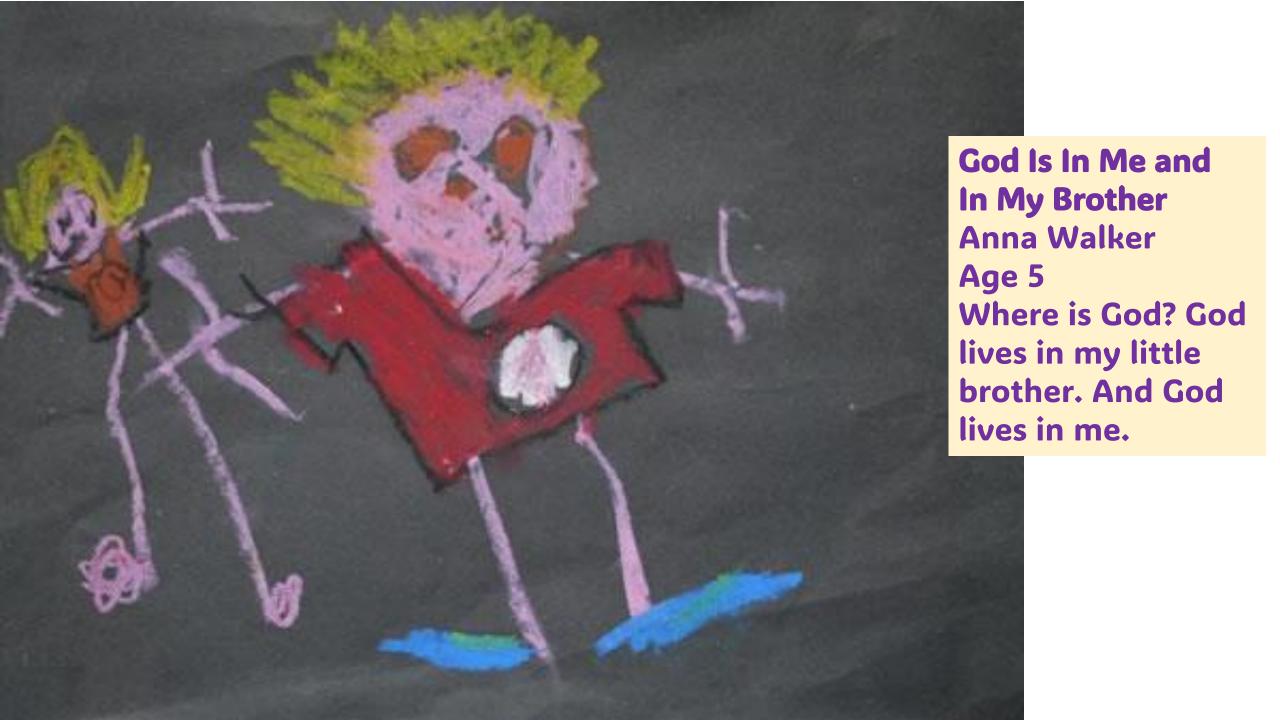
**Art in Heaven** A theology of hope and education formed from Rabbi Jesus and the insights of children and young people in **Britain today** 







### Amazing, Fabulous God Samuel (6)

"This is my picture of God. He is showing us that he is amazing and fabulous!"





#### Who Is God? Joe - Age 7

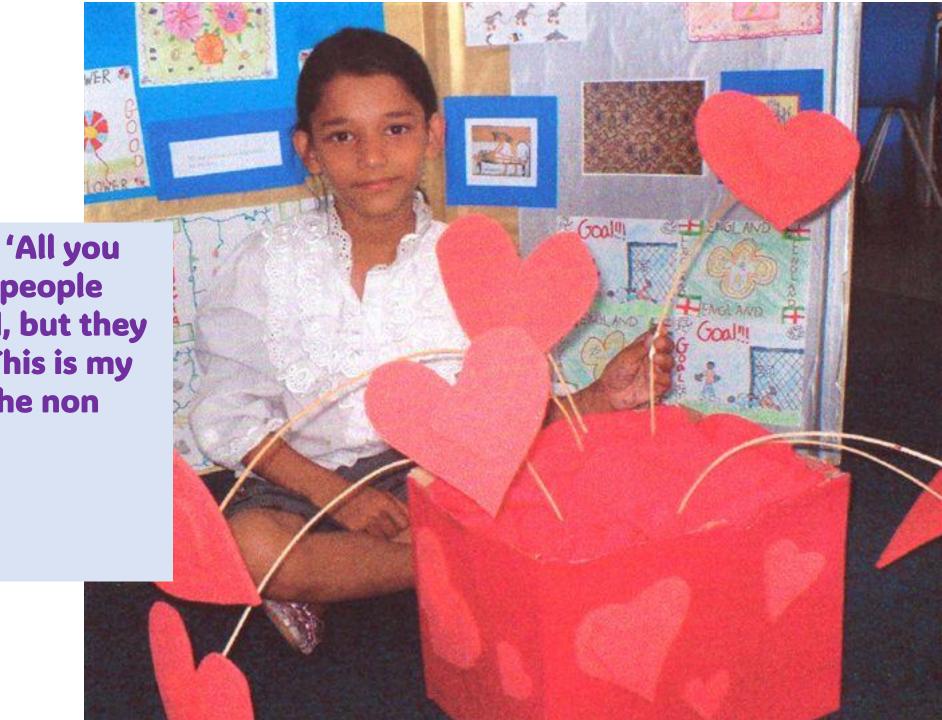
"I think God is hope. Hope might look like a halo with lovely things around it. I have drawn the halo with the sun shining in the middle. There is rainbow light coming out around the edges.

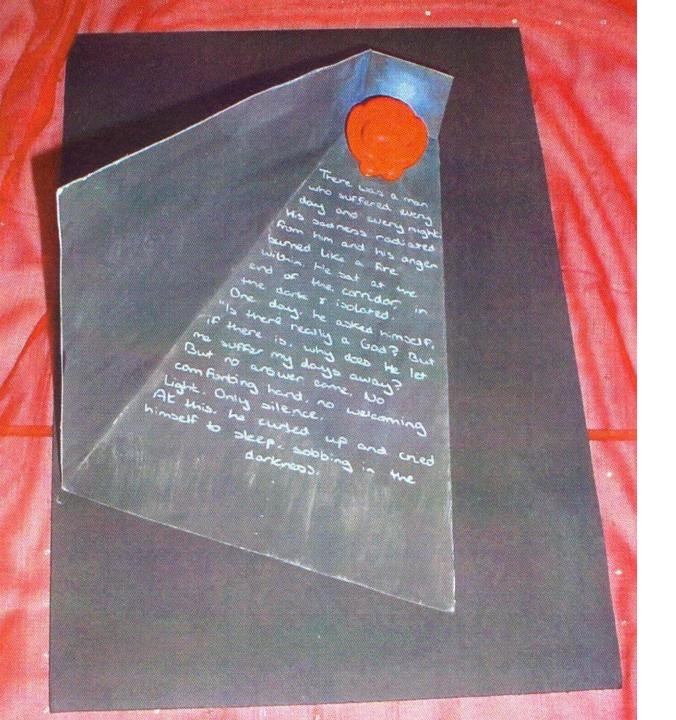
He is also Spirit and human at the same time.

One of my friends said my picture looked a bit like a keyhole. That made me think that God is the key to heaven.

So God is hope. He is the key to heaven."

"My model is called 'All you need is love'. Some people don't believe in god, but they do believe in love. This is my belief. I am one of the non religious people." Yolanda is 8





Where is God?

Meredith (12) expresses an experience. The words say:

"There was a man who suffered every day and every night. His sadness radiated from him and his anger burned like fire. He sat in the dark at the end of the corridor. He asked 'is there a God? If there is, why does he let me suffer? No answer came, only silence. He curled up and cried."



"God is in prayer

This is spiritual because the colours stand for all the good things the person is praying for. God loves everyone just as much as everyone else."

Libby is 10.

#### Where Is God

God's in the snowflake that melted But not the snowbally you threw she's God's in the midnight this hadow that might have been there if the cloud only moved.

God is in the Ewords of the story But not in the books printed page. She's in every wood that was shouted But more in what you never dared say.

But not in the leather Founk boots

But But in the leather Founk boots

But By in the cool stars of midnight

But By more in the down's golden fruits

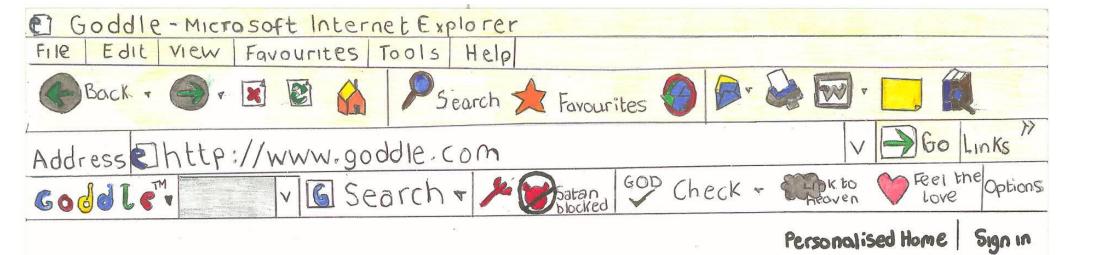
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But not in the millionth kit-kat
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But more Quom and Enat's a fact!

God's not always in my head Or even in the my head but he can be right every testap of the way.

Even when he's just 1 step ahead

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Through her poem, Rose, 12, offers a personal and critical analysis of the 'god question' that shows an alertness to issues of meaning, truth and ethics. Her use of language and paradox is coherent and spiritually alert. This is faith in search of understanding: a model to adults in their Christian learning.



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quest for God in the modern world still goes on, so we used the search engine as a metaphor. We have not answered the question 'where is God?' But we have suggested how to go about answering the question. Seek and you will find. But – be honest: If God was 'at the touch of a button' would you dare click it?"

"We wanted to suggest that the

Olivia and Hannah are 14.

Make Goddle Your Homeboy!



#### Seek And You Will Find Him.

By Becca, Age 15

Where is God? Seek and you will find him. I depict a girl looking at her shadow. Newspaper cuttings in the shadow speak about the everyday: terror, murder, death. Jesus stands behind her, surrounded by light and colour.

I put cuttings from newspapers in the shadow, to do with what you see and hear about on the news every day: terror, murder, death, tension, crisis. It's easy to focus on the shadow in life, as it's presented so frequently. If you think of God, it's in the situations when good things happen. But in the shadow, God is there.

In the most war torn area people's lives can be transformed. The image of Jesus behind the girl and the colour that surrounds them both illustrate: where things look dark, God is working there.

There is light even the shadow.



#### God - He Lies In You

I believe every one of us possesses Him. I've included a mirror: when anyone looks at this artwork, symbolizing God, they see their own face. The image will be broken, because it is hard to see that God is in each of us.

It very personal. I am sure that not everyone agrees with my opinions. This design has deep meanings; the colours and the shapes are all symbolic. I will not explain what I intend everything to mean: work it out for yourself.

Jennie is 13



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# Luke 6: Build on the rock from the Sermon on the Plain

46 "Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say? <sup>47</sup> As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. 48 They are like a person building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. 49 But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a person who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete."

## Four calls

- A call to pray
- A call to follow Rabbi Jesus in our love and care for all with whom we learn
- A call to do what Jesus said in education and in life: come, listen, practise.
- A call to trust in God the rock when the storm comes