



Our Christian Values



| Christian Value | Biblical Reference | HeartSmart | Link to British Values <i>(including some that don't appear on the Government's official list - in italics)</i> |
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| Love | 1 John 4:16 'God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.' | Don't forget to let love in | Democracy - a system built on respect for the value, views and needs of every individual. Mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs - understanding that we don't all share the same beliefs and values. Respecting those values, ideas and beliefs of others whilst not imposing our own onto them. |
| Service | John 13:14-15 'I your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet. So you also should wash one another's feet. I have given you an example. You should do as I have done for you.' | Too much selfie isn't healthy | Individual liberty - protection of your rights and responsibilities and those of the people around you. <i>Social inclusion – support for the most vulnerable by the rest of the community (a strong tradition in British society, influenced by faith).</i> |
| Forgiveness | Mathew 6:12 'Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.' | Don't hold on to what's wrong | <i>Justice tempered with mercy – scope for rehabilitation and second chances in the justice system (also influenced by the Christian tradition).</i> |
| Truth | John 8.32 'The truth will set you free.' | Fake is a mistake | The rule of law – knowing right from wrong. Knowing the need for rules to make a happy, safe and secure environment to live and work. |
| Endurance | 1 Corinthians 13.7 'Love never gives up.' | No way through isn't true | |