

# Love Reaches out

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November

## Colossians 1: 15-20

1. These verses tell us that Jesus is 'the firstborn over all creation' – in other words he has always existed. How does this make you feel?
2. 'In him all things were created'. Does this make it more or less surprising that he gave up heaven to come to earth as a tiny baby?
3. Jesus is 'the image of the invisible God' – he is real and tangible and helps us to get to know God and what He is like. How difficult would you find it to get to know God if Jesus had never come to earth?
4. How does it make you feel that in Jesus 'all things hold together'? What does he need to 'hold together' for you right now? Ask Him...
5. Jesus also 'reconciles all things' – do you show enough gratitude to Jesus for his work of reconciliation?
6. Do you believe God really loves you?
7. What helps you to believe that God loves you?
8. What are the things that get in the way of believing God loves you?
9. Is there anything you can do to help you to know God's love better?
10. Where do you see God's love reaching out today?
11. Is there anything you can do to reach out to others with God's love?

*Love came down at Christmas,  
Love all lovely, Love Divine,  
Love was born at Christmas,  
Star and Angels gave the sign.  
Worship we the Godhead,  
Love Incarnate, Love Divine,  
Worship we our Jesus,*

*But wherewith for sacred sign?  
Love shall be our token,  
Love be yours and love be mine,  
Love to God and all men,  
Love for plea and gift and sign.  
(Christina Rossetti 1830-1894)*

# Christmas 2025: Love Came Down

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