



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>
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	