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Christian Youth Survey 2023

RE Today carried out a survey to find out about what it means to be a Christian young person in the UK today. Below are the questions we set. Some give space for respondents to write what they think – others are very quick responses, from ‘Agree strongly’ to ‘Disagree strongly’.

Section 1

A little information about you:

Initials:	<input type="text"/>	Gender: M/F/other	<input type="text"/>
Age:	<input type="text"/>	City/town:	<input type="text"/>

A. Being Christian

1. Do you describe yourself as a Christian? If yes, what makes you a Christian? If no, how do you describe yourself?

2. Do you see yourself as being part of a Christian community? Please say which. (E.g. Methodist, evangelical, Catholic, Pentecostal, Anglican or a combination)

3. For you, what are the most important teachings of Christianity?

4. Which aspects of your life, if any, do your Christian beliefs have an impact on?

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B. Your beliefs and practices

5. How often do you pray/worship at home?

Daily		Weekly		Fortnightly		Monthly		Yearly		Never
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6. How often do you visit a place of worship?

Daily		Weekly		Fortnightly		Monthly		Yearly		Never
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7. How often do you read the Bible?

Daily		Weekly		Fortnightly		Monthly		Yearly		Never
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8. Do you believe in an afterlife? If so, who do you think will be saved?

9. Who has influenced you most in your religious beliefs and practices? E.g. family, friends, pastor/vicar, youth worker, an organisation, etc. (Please give details)

10. How often do you use social media platforms (e.g. TikTok, Instagram etc.) to get spiritual advice? Where do you go?

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11. What is the hardest thing about growing up in the UK?

12. What are the advantages and disadvantages, if any, of being a Christian?

13. What changes would you like to see for Christians in Britain?

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Below are a series of statements and a choice of responses.

1	2	3	4	5
Agree strongly	Agree	Not certain	Disagree	Disagree strongly

Please choose ONE response for each statement.

D. Personal Questions

	Agree strongly	Agree	Not certain	Disagree	Disagree strongly
I am religious					
I find it hard to believe in God					
Spirituality is important in my life					
I have a close relationship with God					
I know that God speaks to me through the Bible					
I try to follow Jesus in my everyday life					
Following Jesus helps me to lead a better life					
The Holy Spirit empowers my Christian life					
Being Christian gives my life a sense of purpose					
I am happy to be a Christian					
I believe that Jesus is the only way to God					
I am certain that I will be in heaven after I die					
I hope that I will be in heaven after I die					

E. Practising being Christian

	Agree strongly	Agree	Not certain	Disagree	Disagree strongly
It is important for me to practise my Christian beliefs					
Prayer and worship are important parts of being Christian					
Serving those in need is an important part of being Christian					
Working for social justice is an important part of being Christian					
Understanding Christian theology is an important part of being Christian					
Christianity is portrayed positively in the media					
Christians are portrayed positively in the media					
Christianity is presented accurately and authentically in RE lessons					

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F. Christian rituals

	Agree strongly	Agree	Not certain	Disagree	Disagree strongly
I think Christian rituals are important					
Prayer helps me a lot					
Bible study helps me a lot					
Being part of a church fellowship helps me a lot					
Festivals like Christmas and Easter are important in my Christian life					
Pilgrimage is important in my Christian life					

G. Relationships and friendships

	Agree strongly	Agree	Not certain	Disagree	Disagree strongly
Having Christian friends is important to me					
Having friends with other religious and non-religious worldviews is important to me					
It will be important for me to have a Christian life-partner					
I would follow my religion even if I had a non-Christian life-partner					
It would be important for me to have a Christian marriage ceremony					
It would be important to me to teach my children about Jesus					