



# Collective Worship

Week Commencing: Monday 5th October 2026

**Core Value: Respect**

**Theme: Black History Month**

**Fearfully and Wonderfully Made**

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**Courage in every step, Faith in every journey.**

Dear God,  
thank you that each  
one of us is fearfully  
and wonderfully  
made.

Help us to respect our  
differences, listen to  
one another and  
celebrate the gifts in  
every person. We ask  
this all in Jesus' name  
Amen.



## DAY 1 – RESPECT: EVERYONE HAS GOD-GIVEN WORTH

**Theme:** Respecting the dignity and equal worth of every person.

What does the word **respect** mean?

Respect is more than simply being polite. It means recognising that **every person has value and deserves to be treated with dignity.**

The Bible tells us that every human being is made in the image of God:

**“So God created mankind in his own image.”**

Genesis 1:27

That means your worth doesn't depend on your skin colour, where you come from, your background, your ability, your achievements or what other people think about you.

During Black History Month, we celebrate the richness of Black stories, cultures, achievements and contributions. But we also remember something bigger: **every person is wonderfully made by God.**

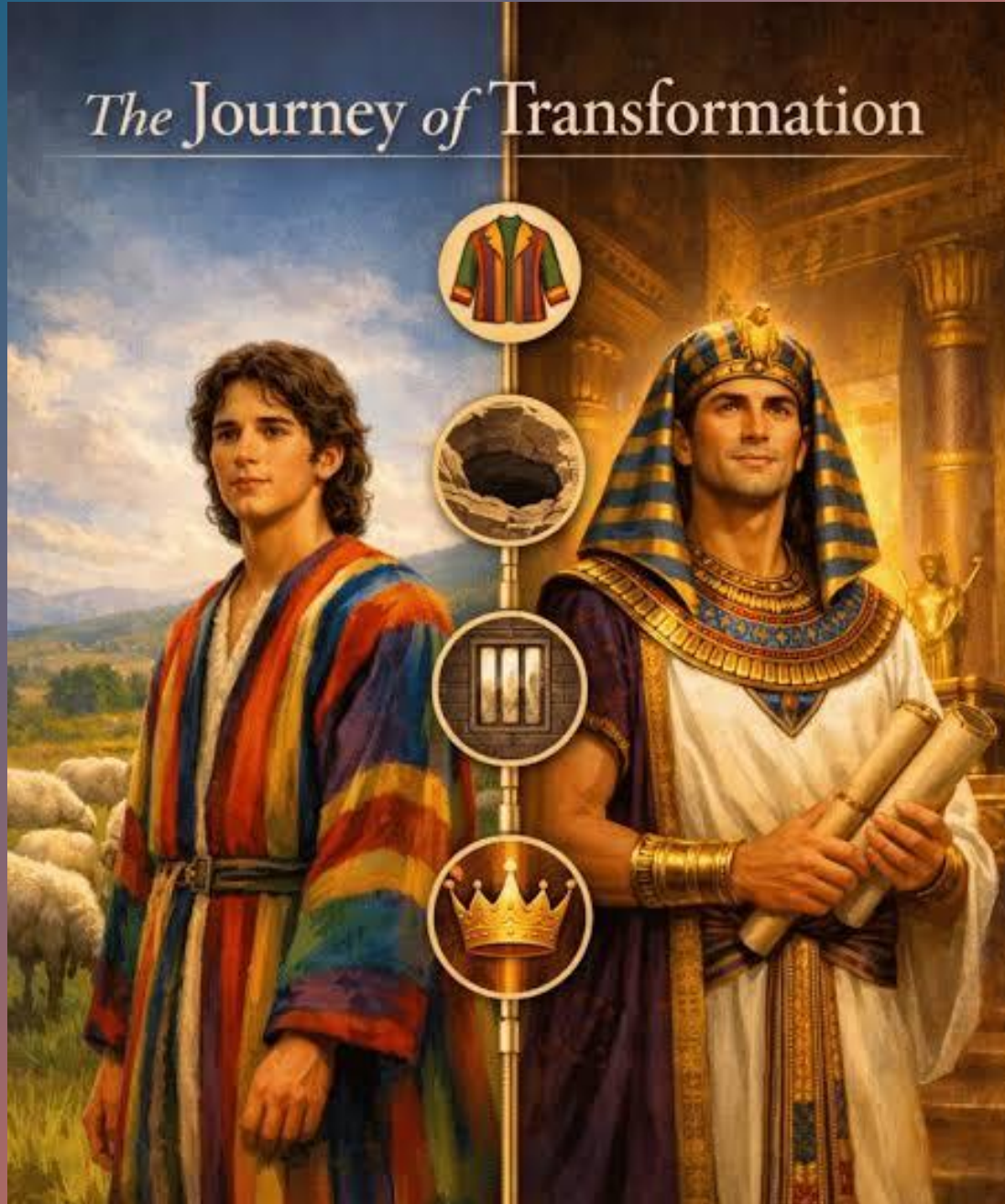
**Respect** means seeing the person in front of us and recognising their God-given worth.

**Think about and Reflect:**

- Do I treat people differently because they look or sound different from me?
- Do my words build people up or put them down?
- How would our school change if everyone genuinely believed that everyone else had equal worth?



# The Journey of Transformation



## Day 2 – Joseph: From Outsider to Leader

Joseph was one of Jacob's sons. His brothers were jealous of him and sold him into slavery.

Joseph found himself **in a completely different place, surrounded by people from a different culture**. Yet God was with him.

Despite facing rejection and difficult circumstances, Joseph used his gifts and wisdom to help others.

Eventually, he became a leader in Egypt and helped save many people from famine. **A famine is an extreme, widespread scarcity of food that causes severe malnutrition, illness, and death across a population.**

### What can we learn?

Joseph's story reminds us:

**Your circumstances don't determine your worth.**

**Being different doesn't make you less valuable.**

**Your gifts can make a difference to others.**

Black History Month reminds us to recognise the gifts, achievements and contributions of people from different backgrounds.

### Takeaway Challenge and Reflection

- **Don't judge someone's potential by where they come from.**
- **Do we Judge People? A tough question to ask ourselves.**

Look for the gifts and value in the people around you.

## DAY 3 – ROSA PARKS

### Theme: Courage and Dignity

In 1955, Rosa Parks was travelling on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama. Because of racial segregation, Black passengers were expected to give up their seats to white passengers.

Rosa refused.

She was arrested, but her courageous decision helped inspire the **Montgomery Bus Boycott** and became an important moment in the struggle against racial segregation.

Rosa's story reminds us that **one person can make a difference** when they have the courage to stand for what is right.

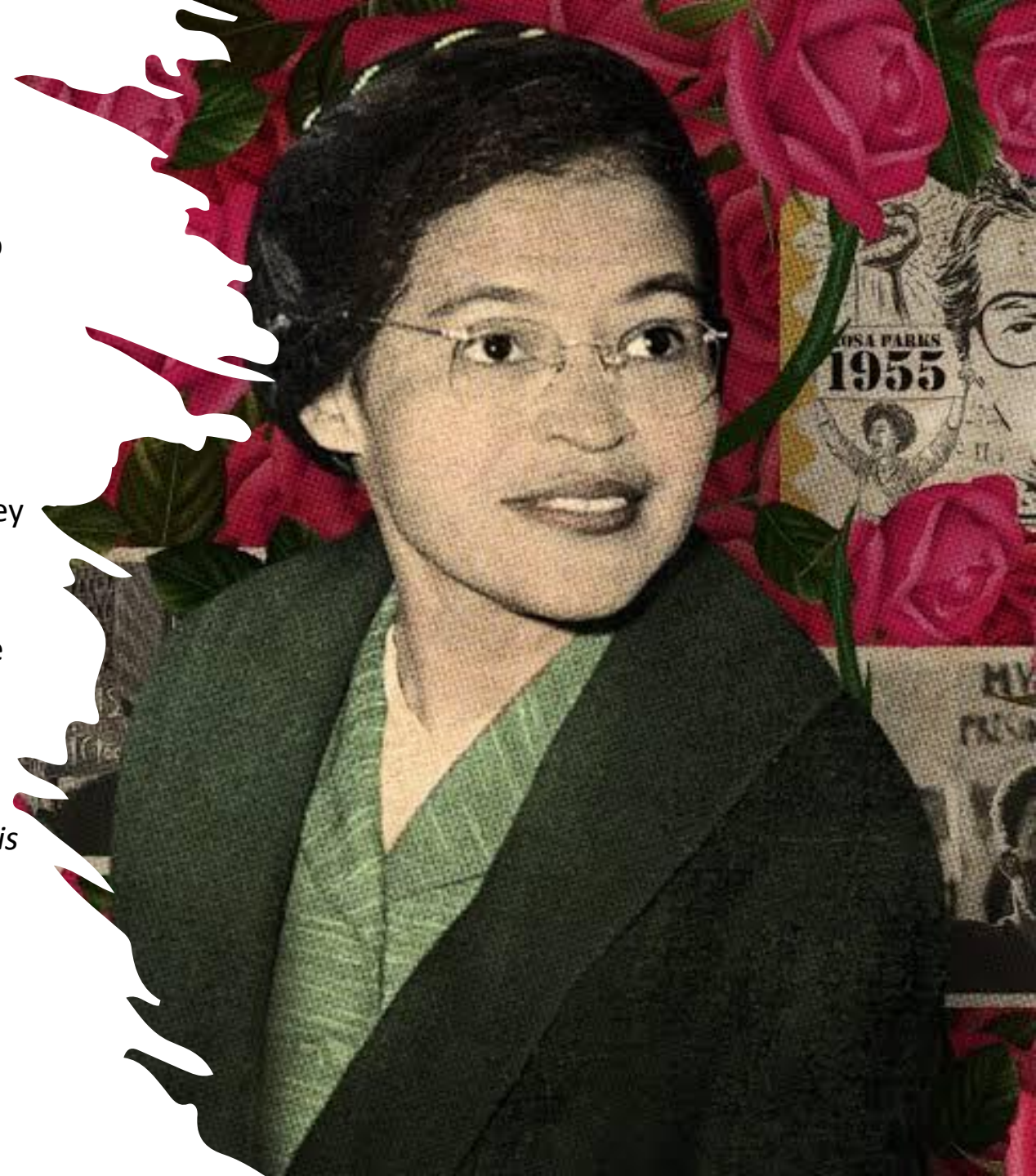
**Black History Month** gives us the opportunity to celebrate people whose courage, gifts and contributions have helped change the world.

### Think about it

*Where might I need courage to stand up for someone or something that is right?*

### Today's Takeaway

**You don't have to be famous to make a difference. One person can inspire many.**



## Day 4 – Fearfully and Wonderfully Made

### Scripture Sound Bite

“I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made.”

**Psalm 139:14**

### Think For a Little While

What does it mean to be **fearfully and wonderfully made**?

It means that every one of us is valuable and unique.

Our skin colour, culture, background and experiences may be different, but **our worth is equal**.

Black History Month reminds us to celebrate the richness of those differences, and the contributions people have made.

### Remember

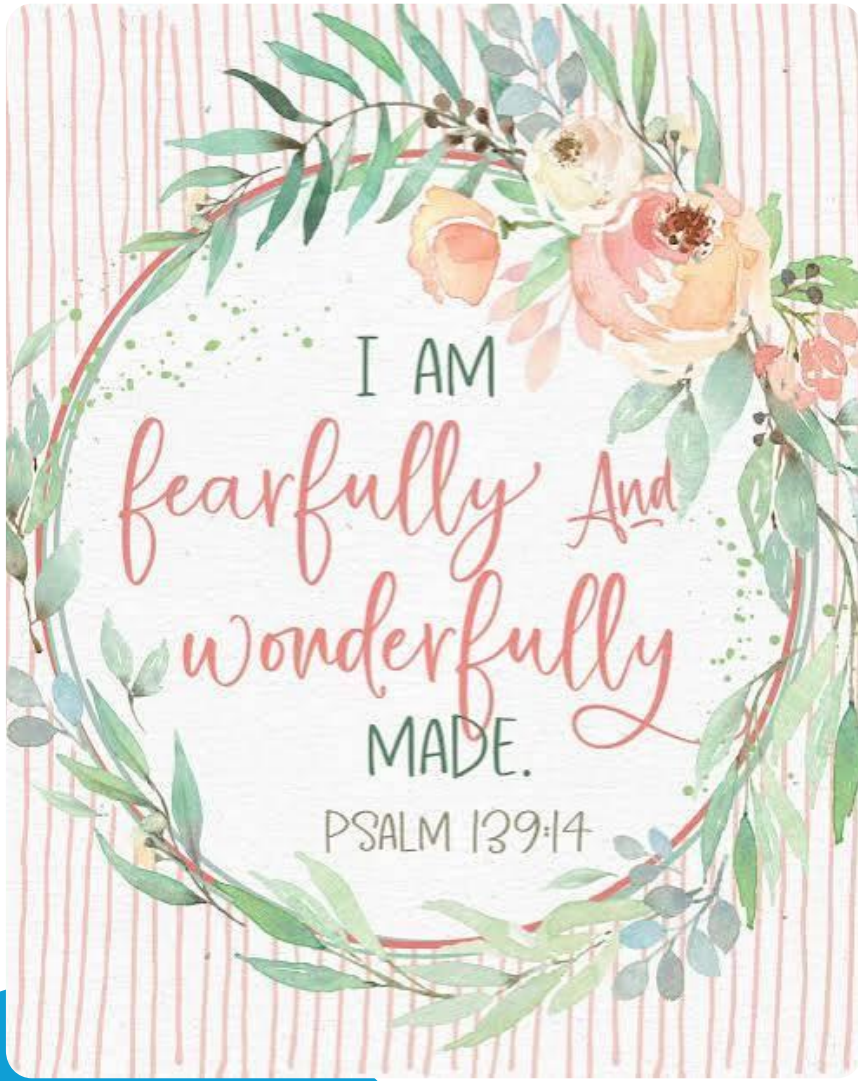
- **I am fearfully and wonderfully made.**
- **You are fearfully and wonderfully made.**
- **Everyone is fearfully and wonderfully made.**

### This Weeks Challenge

Celebrate difference.

Respect others.

Recognize their worth.



# Closing Prayer



Dear Heavenly Father,  
help us to remember  
that everyone has value  
and worth.

Give us eyes to see the  
good in others and  
courage to celebrate  
our differences. We ask  
this all in Jesus' name,  
Amen.