

Year 6 Summer Term Virtues

Eloquent and Truthful

To be eloquent means that you are fluent and can express yourself well – usually in speaking or writing. Whilst studying the novel ‘Sweet Pizza’ by G.R. Gemin, pupils in year 6 with Polish heritage spoke eloquently about aspects of their history and culture. Their presentation informed their classmates and made them more knowledgeable.



In Year 6 we know that we should be truthful at all times. We should speak truth about ourselves and others, about relations between people, about the world, and about God.

Our teacher asked some of us to help explain ‘eloquent and truthful’ by acting out some scripture in assembly.

Mark 14:66–72

In the story about Peter when Jesus was captured before he was taken away to be crucified, Peter was so scared that he lied.

Narrator: Now as Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant girls of the high priest came. And when she saw Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said,

Servant Girl: You also were with Jesus of Nazareth.

Narrator: But he denied it, saying,

Peter: I neither know nor understand what you are saying

Narrator: And he went out on the porch, and a rooster crowed. 69 And the servant girl saw him again, and began to say to those who stood by,

Servant Girl: This is one of them.

Narrator: But he denied it again. And a little later those who stood by said to Peter again,

Others: Surely you are one of them; for you are a Galilean, and your speech shows it.

Narrator: Then he began to curse and swear,

Peter: I do not know this Man of whom you speak!

Narrator: A second time the rooster crowed. Then Peter called to mind the word that Jesus had said to him,

Jesus: Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny Me three times.

Narrator: And when he thought about it, he wept.

Acts 3:1-11

During the days after Jesus had been crucified, a change came over Peter. He had seen Jesus alive again. He knew Jesus had forgiven him. He had watched Jesus return to heaven. He had received a new power from God.

Peter: Lots of people believed that day – three thousand! People got better from diseases. And it's all because of the power given to me just as Jesus promised on the hill, ten days ago, before he went home to heaven!

Now.. there was a lame man there... The man can't walk at all and has to be carried everywhere.

Lame man: Alms, alms. Alms for a poor lame man. Alms, alms.

(Action: Lame man holds up and rattles the metal cup.)

Narrator: And Peter directed his gaze at him, as did John, and said,

(Action: Peter and John look at the lame man.)

Peter: Look at us.

(Action: Lame man looks at Peter and John and holds the cup out to them.)

Narrator: And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. But Peter said

Peter: I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!

Narrator: And he took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. And leaping up he stood and began to walk, and entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God.

(Action: Peter reaches down, takes the lame man's right hand and helps him up. Lame man stands and jumps up and down for several seconds.)

Narrator: And all the people saw him walking and praising God, and recognized him as the one who sat at the Beautiful Gate of the temple, asking for alms. And they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

(Action: People point wildly at Peter and John for a few seconds.)

Narrator: While he clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. And when Peter saw it he addressed the people:

Peter: Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

This scripture shows how the Power of the Holy Spirit can give us the confidence to speak out the truth and to be eloquent in how we communicate to others.

Learned and Wise

As we are near the end of our time at St. Helen's we hope we have become learned and wise. Not just in terms of the knowledge which we have acquired but in terms of our understanding of ourselves and others and in terms of our faith.



We have learned new things and have learned about one another. We show wisdom as we collaborate together to produce work that utilises the strengths and talents of each individual.