

Overview

A-Level Religious Studies at KHS will help deepen your knowledge and understanding of the Bible through an in-depth study of four key books, as well as develop an appreciation of how the Christian Church formed and developed in the years preceding Jesus' ascension into Heaven. AS/A2 Level RS is designed to help you stretch your thinking, challenge your opinions and evaluate your own beliefs as well as those of others. The course consists of 2 modules, which are studied over the 2 years:

(1) New Testament Textual studies – A study of the Book of Acts, 1st Corinthians and Galatians and Ephesians.

You will undertake a detailed, thorough and in depth analysis of the texts of Acts, 1st Corinthians, Galatians and Ephesians. You will be expected to not only know the main content/themes of these four books, but also understand the cultural and contemporary relevance of them. You will discuss some key issues of theology such as: The Characteristics of the early Christian community in Acts; Mission in the church today; Religious conversions; the Faith v Works debate; the role of the Holy Spirit in the church today; the Gifts of the Spirit and their relevance today and much more.

(2) The Early Church – a study of the beginnings and growth of the Christian Church from the ascension of Jesus until the fourth century.

You will take a look at how that Early Christian Church grew and expanded across the Roman Empire after the ascension of Jesus into Heaven. You will see that despite much persecution from the Emperors of Rome, the Christian faith very quickly grew and spread across the Empire. You will look at some key figures and see how their influence helped to shape the future generations of the church. You will also discuss some key theological issues such as: Persecution in the church today; Religion and politics; Identifying false teachings in the Church; How the Bible was put together; The Trinity; How the early Christians worshipped and many more.

There is also an optional trip to Rome, which really helps to 'bring the course to life' – it certainly is a trip that you won't forget in a hurry!

AS LEVEL		
Unit	Content	Assessment
AS 2	An Introduction to the Acts of the Apostles	2x 1 hr 20 min Exam
AS4	The Origins and Development of the Early Church	40% of A Level



A LEVEL

Unit	Content	Assessment
A2 2	Themes in selected Letters of St. Paul	2x 2 hr Exams
A2 4	Themes in the Early Church and the Church today	60% of A Level

Careers

Law, Solicitor, Social Work, Medicine, Journalism and broadcasting, Counsellor, Publishing, Radio, Television, Film, Ministry, Education, Health and Welfare Ministries, Missionary, Social Services, Minister/Pastor/Priest, Youth work, Church work, Business or marketing, Psychology, Chaplaincy, Foreign service (i.e., diplomatic corps), Health care (e.g., chaplaincy), Police service, Fire Service, Paramedic, Politics, Historian, Event planning, Writer, Charity work, Hospitality, the Service industry, Museums and the arts