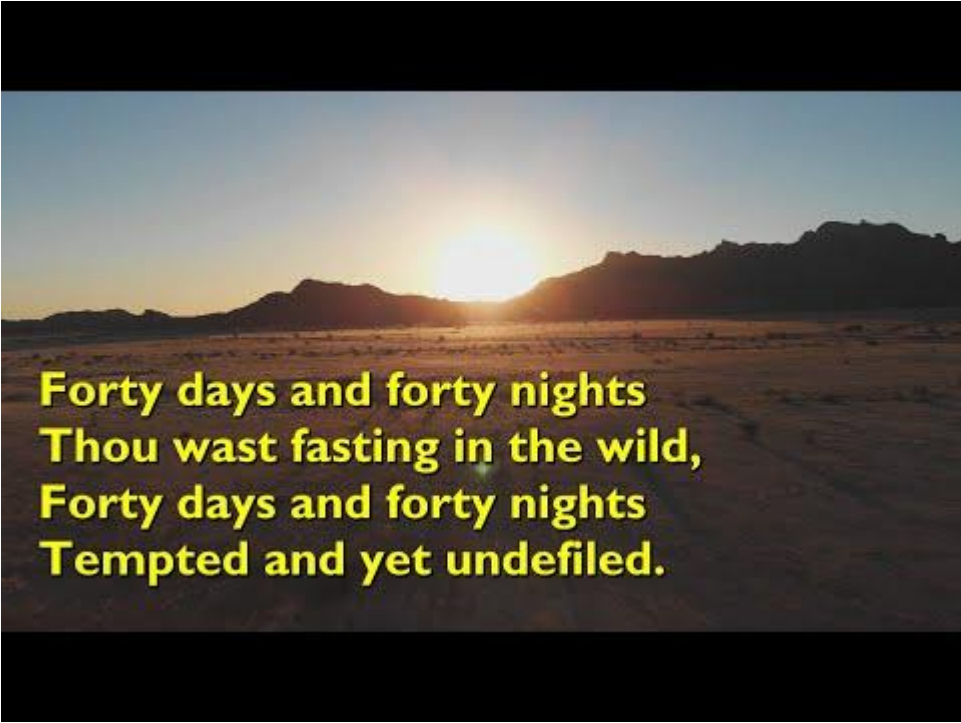


Collective Worship Hymn Reflection



Wednesday, 13th March, 2024

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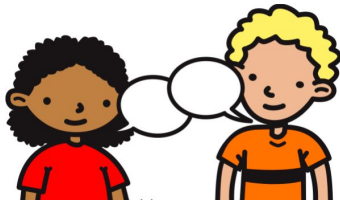
**Forty days and forty nights
Thou wast fasting in the wild,
Forty days and forty nights
Tempted and yet undefiled.**

Our hymn for this week is 'Forty Days and Forty Nights
Listen to the hymn and sing along if you would like to.

Which words do you think
best describe the mood or
style of this hymn?

happy
thoughtful
serious
sad
sorrowful
joyful
mournful
light
hearted

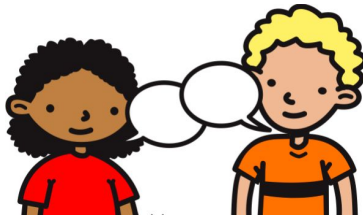




Forty Days and Forty Nights is not a happy, upbeat joyful hymn - it is more sad and serious.

The hymn tells the story of Jesus in the wilderness. Why do you think the hymn writer choose to use a hymn with a sad and serious mood to tell this story?





Some people don't like singing
solemn and serious hymns.

Other people think it is good to
have different styles of hymns
because there are different
times when each is right.

What do you think?





Reflection:

Think about how the hymn Forty Days and Forty Nights makes you feel. Are there times when it feels right to sing more sad and serious hymns rather than happy, joyful hymns?

Prayer: Thank God for Lent. Pray that during this time of Lent God would draw close to his people just as he was close to Jesus in the wilderness.