

# Lighting of the Candle

Peace of the Lord be with you



And also with you

# Welcome Words

We light three candles in the name of:

God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit to worship together and think about our value **Perseverance**.



Let us run with perseverance the race that lies before us. Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, on whom our faith depends from beginning to end



HEBREWS 12.1-2



Indeed, those who patiently persevere will truly receive a reward without measure

Quran 39:10



**Perseverance is....**

**P**ressing on

**E**ager to continue

**R**unning the race

**S**ticking with things

**E**ncouraging each other to keep going

**V**aluing the support of others

**E**yes fixed on the target

**R**eaching a goal over time

**A**iming to complete the task

**N**ot giving up

**C**ommitment to keep going

**E**nding up where you want to be



Endurance

Goal

Resolute

Determination

Persist

Intent

Steadfast

Unshakable

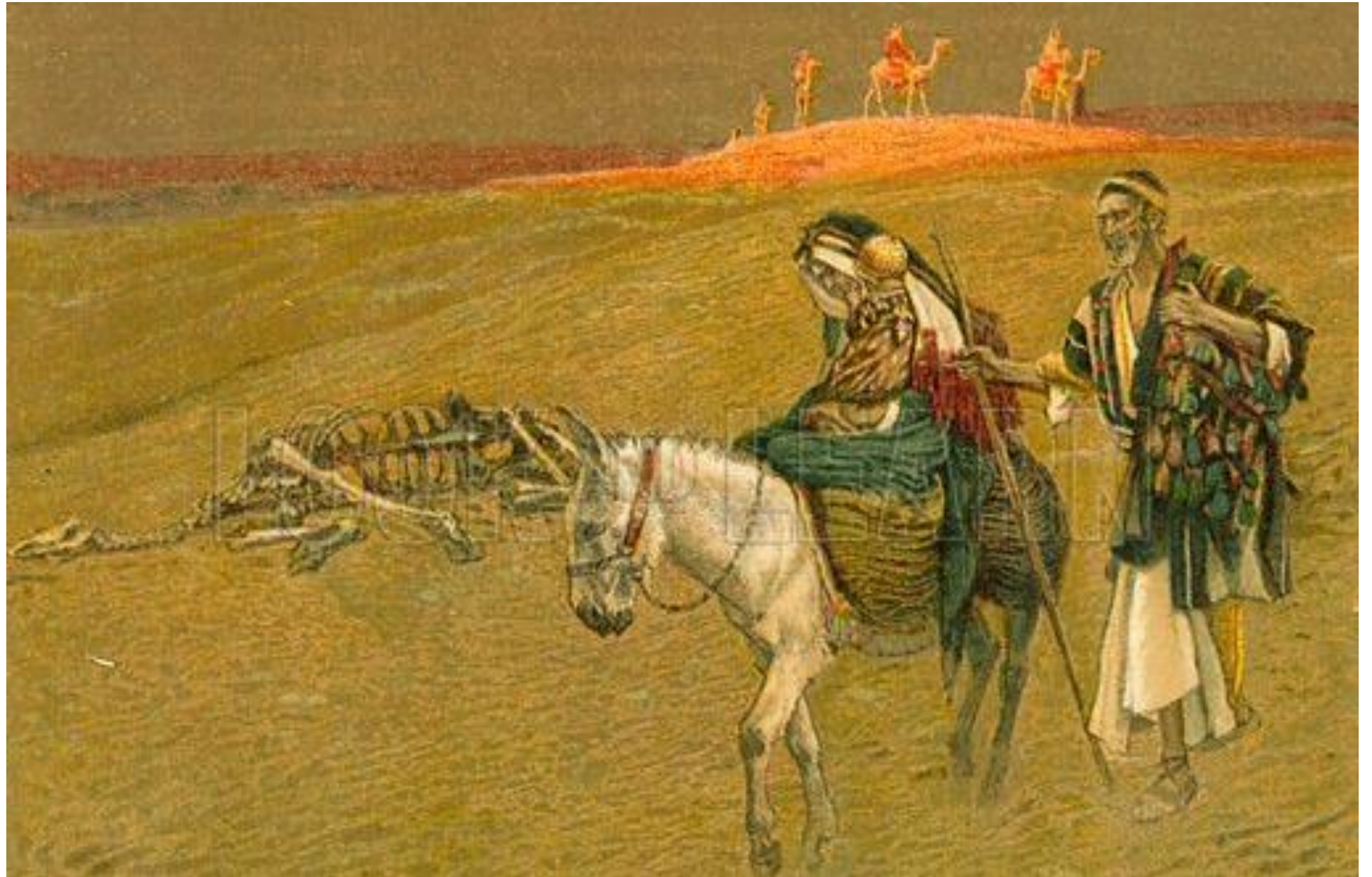
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What is happening  
in the picture?

Why are they  
travelling?

What would they  
be thinking?

The Flight  
into Egypt –  
James Tissot



# Time to Reflect



FOR I KNOW THE PLANS  
I HAVE FOR YOU,  
*declares the Lord,*  
PLANS TO PROSPER YOU  
AND NOT TO HARM YOU,  
PLANS TO GIVE YOU

*hope* AND A  
*future*  
JEREMIAH 29:11

'I can do all things through Him who strengthens me' Philippians 4:13

How do you think? It would feel to be a refugee?

What would it be like to have to flee to a new country?

How would it feel to be a new person in a school?

How welcoming are we as a school?



# A Prayer for Refugees

Loving God,

Whose son became a refugee and had no place to call his own; look with mercy on those who are fleeing from danger, who are homeless and hungry.

Bless those who work to bring them relief;

Inspire generosity and compassion in all our hearts;

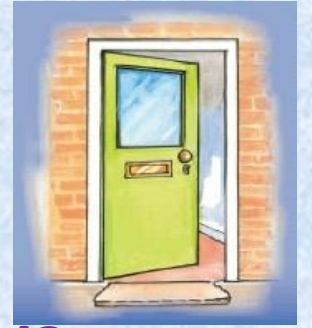
And guide the nations of the world towards that day when there will be justice and peace for everyone.

Amen





# Response & Challenge



**Perseverance is....**

**Pressing on**

**Eager to continue**

**Running the race**

**Sticking with things**

**Encouraging each other to keep going**

**Valuing the support of others**

**Eyes fixed on the target**

**Reaching a goal over time**

**Aiming to complete the task**

**Not giving up**

**Commitment to keep going**

**Ending up where you want to be**



**How welcoming is our school?**

**What do we do to welcome visitors and newcomers?**

**How do we make people feel warmly welcomed?**

**Write a prayer for refugees or a prayer for new people trying to find a new start.**



# Blowing out the Candle

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