



## Teaching History from a Christian Perspective

- Psalms 90:2** 'From everlasting to everlasting, you are God.'
- Colossians 1:17** 'He is before all things and in Him all things hold together.'
- Psalms 33:8-10** 'Let all the earth fear the Lord, let all the people of the world revere Him. For He spoke, and it came to be; He commanded, and it stood firm. The Lord foils the plans of the nations; He thwarts the purposes of the peoples. But the plans of the Lord stand firm for ever, the purposes of His heart through all generations.'
- Hebrews 1:3** 'The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of His being, sustaining all things by his powerful Word.'
- Daniel 2:21** 'He changes the times and the seasons; He sets up kings and deposes them.'
- Exodus 15:11-12** 'Who among the gods is like you, O Lord? Who is like you – majestic in holiness, awesome in glory, working wonders? You stretched out your right hand and the earth swallowed them (the Egyptians).'

- These scriptures illustrate the eternal truth we can convey when we teach history from a Christian perspective.
- God is infinite, eternal, personal, immanent, all knowing, sovereign, good, true, ever present, wise, all powerful, unchanging, holy, etc.
- History brings together the greatness and enormity of our God, and the love and care He has for us, the people He has made. He loved us so much, He sent His son to invade time and history, so He could die to save us from the sin which destroyed the relationship man had with God before the Fall. (**John 3:16, Romans 5:12,13**)
- We are all children of destiny, born to be participators in the Kingdom of God. (**Luke 22:29-30**). We were created in His image (**Genesis 1:27**) to glorify Him (**Romans 15:5-6**) to rule over the earth (**Genesis 1:28**) and to be heirs with Jesus. (**Romans 8:27**)
- Our calling to love God and others (**Matthew 22:37-39**), to be 'Salt and Light' (**Matthew 5:13-14**), to make disciples of all nations (**Matthew 28:19**), and to find our personal destiny within His eternal purposes (**1 Peter 2:9**) can all be illustrated through our history teaching, as we look at the lives and influence of Godly men and women, and compare them with those with selfish ambitions, as well as making personal challenges to our pupils.

God is constantly revealing more to us, so never say, 'I've done that.' We will never know all there is to know!