

## Discovery Box 3 - Written symbols

### Contents

Cards with ihs, xp, alpha, omega and Trinity symbol.

### Task Card 1

Take the items from the box and go around the church to see where you can find these. Some may be in more than one place. Make a note of where you have found them and then come back to the starting point. (An alternative activity for older children is to mark where they have found them on a plan of the church).

### Task 2

Envelope marked Not to be opened until task 1 is completed.

Envelope contains cards with explanations of the 5 written symbols.

Match the symbols to the explanations.

### Task 3

Many of the images you see in the church are symbols. An example of this is the eagle which you can find in many places in the church. This does not mean that there is supposed to be a real eagle in the church, rather that the qualities that the eagle has are ones that important people in the Bible have. What qualities do you think an eagle has? Write these down.

### Task 4

You are now going to find a symbol that represents you! First list all the good things about yourself.

Read through these and see if you can think of something that has the same qualities. It could be an animal, a plant, a place, a colour- anything you like!

Draw your symbol.

### Task Card 1 Written Symbols

Take the items from the box and go around the church to see where you can find these. Some may be in more than one place. Make a note of where you have found them and then come back to the starting point.

You could mark where they have found the symbols on a plan of the church.

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### Task Card 2 Written Symbols

Find the picture cards for ihs, xp, alpha, omega and the Trinity symbols.

Match the symbols to the explanations.

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What qualities do you think an eagle has?

Discuss this or write these down.

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Draw your symbol.