

Beauty and the Beast

Inspiration ...

Watch the whole film if you can. If you can't, here is the link to the trailer:

 www.imdb.com/video/vi179222553?playlistId=tt2771200&ref_=tt_ov_vi



According to IMDb as of Sept 2022 the certificate for this film is: **Animation U, Live Action PG**

Do not conform to this world

Biblical Reference:

Romans 12:2

'Don't become so well adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead fix your attention on God. Then you'll be changed from the inside out.'



Prayer

Dear God, thank You for loving me through all my faults. Thank You for looking into my inner self. Lord help me to make the right choices, the ones that you would have me make. Amen

Link exploration:

What is happiness? I wonder if it's being who God made us to be. Was the prince truly happy before being transformed into the beast? Was he happy being the beast? Was it gaining the love of Belle that brought the best out in the beast? Was it only then that he was truly happy?

The theme tune is 'Tale as old as time', but of course the oldest tale we know is the one told through the pages of the Bible. The Bible, rather than the fictional story of The Beauty and the Beast, tells of how we are loved by God no matter what. Loved and cherished for who we are.

We should strive as the Bible reading says, not to fit in to the ways of our world. We should think about what God wants from us, by working out what is good and acceptable to God in our lives. We don't earn God's love by our good actions. Belle could see behind the beast's anger and selfish ways to a more loveable character beneath. God knows our true selves and loves us even while we are sometimes angry and selfish. So be happy that you have the love of the One who made you – God

Personal challenge

- Think about yourself – what makes you make wrong decisions?
- Consider asking yourself "What would Jesus Do?" the next time you have a choice to make.
- Identify events that happen around you, that God would not want you to be involved in?

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