## FOLLOWERS - LESSON PLAN

Age	Term	Mod.	Module Theme	Module Title	Lesson Number and Title	
16	1	2	Worship	History of Worship	66: The Legacy of the Synagogue	

Use the syllabus framework to complete above. Infants: 20 minutes; Juniors: 30 minutes; Middles & Seniors: 45 minutes (Mod. = Module Number, Module Theme - in the heading, Module Title - uppercase in the cell, Lesson Num [NO. column] and Title)

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Tick the appropriate box(es) above [copy this: ✓ ] for the modes of learning being used in this session.

Prayer: Trisagion Prayers

**Starter:** Word association game (quick-fire) SYNAGOGUE – connected words must have some reference back to the original word.

**Learning objectives:** To consider the legacy of 1<sup>st</sup> Century Synagogue worship in the development of early Christian worship.

## **Core Activities and Learning**

Allow 10 minutes for a reading individually (or a re-reading if distributed beforehand) of the article extract on Resource Sheet 66.

Divide the students into two groups. Each group prepares a debate for and against the proposal below: -

"The main features of early Christian worship were derived from those practised in the Jewish synagogue."

The usual rules of debate apply: -

A speaker supports the motion alternately from each side.

A debate follows chaired by the Leader

Another (or the same speakers) seconds the speech of the first and the references the debate to round up.

A vote takes place.

## Resources:

Article: <a href="https://orthodoxwiki.org/Judaism\_and\_Early\_Christianity">https://orthodoxwiki.org/Judaism\_and\_Early\_Christianity</a> Extract in Resource Sheet 66 Further Research: <a href="https://www.amazon.co.uk/dp/0937032727">https://www.amazon.co.uk/dp/0937032727</a>

"Orthodox Worship: A Living Continuity with the Temple, the Synagogue and the Early Church" by H Anstall and B Williams, Light and Life Publishing, 2008.

**Review:** The Synaxis of the Eucharist in respect of the Liturgy of the Word / Catechumens references first century synagogue worship but the anaphora and the associated sacrificial ritual owes more to the Temple sacrificial cult (see Lesson 67 on the Legacy of the Temple)

**Follow Up:** Research for the next session Old Testament / Jerusalem Temple worship and its impact on Orthodox Christian Eucharistic Worship from this web page: -

http://www.eurekafirstchurch.com/understanding-orthodox-worship/