

The Jungle Book

Inspiration ...

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

 https://youtu.be/C4qgAaxB_pc



According to IMDb as of Sept 2022 the certificate for this film is: **PG**

Biblical Reference:

Ephesians 4:16

'He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.'
(NLT)



Prayer

*Father God, thank you that we all have a part to play in your kingdom here on earth. Use us, we pray to reflect your love to others and help us to value and appreciate others knowing that everyone is precious to you, and you love each of us.
Amen.*

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One body

Link exploration:

In this film adaptation of the Jungle Book we meet Mowgli - a human boy (or 'man cub') who lives alongside animals in the jungle. Mowgli was raised by wolves and spends his young life wondering who he is and what his place is in the jungle. He eventually realises he does have a place and he has a purpose, which is to help set the jungle free from the terror of Sheer Khan, the tiger who controls the jungle through fear. He knows he has a part to play, special work to do and he helps everyone else around him.

In the story of The Jungle Book there is a theme that we see running through the Bible: That each person has a valuable and precious place in God's world. Our personalities, talents and skill have all been purposefully crafted by God to help enrich the world.

In the Bible we meet many people who felt scared, uncertain and lost – a bit like Mowgli did for some of the film. Moses is one example. You can read all about him in the book of Exodus, starting at chapter 2.

One of the keys to growing in our knowledge and experience of God is to spend time each day reading and reflecting on God's word (the Bible), spending time with Him (prayer), and focusing on God (worship). Through this we will begin to discover more of our God-given purpose (mission/ministry).

Personal challenge

- Read a Psalm or the story of Moses in Exodus and journal your thoughts and prayers
- Listen to a worship song – there are plenty of great ones to choose from!
- When using social media play your part in the body of Christ by making kind, truthful, loving and encouraging comments.
- Take some time to think about what it is that you're passionate about or what you really enjoy doing. More often than not, it is these passions that God can use to reach the rest of the world, through you, for his glory.
- The Prince of Egypt is a re-telling of Moses's story, you might like to watch this film too.

