

Year 5 – Finding out about Rev. Bickersteth, one of the first vicars of Christ Church

Try to answer these questions using the text:

1. When did Edward. H. Bickersteth become a parish priest at Christ Church Hampstead? 1855

2. What did he say he felt when he accepted the role as parish priest?

He felt a crushing sense of responsibility

3. As well as his role as the parish priest, what else did he enjoy doing?

writing stories and poem

4. On page 23, his daughter said "He could be stern upon occasion, but what struck us, even as children, was his saintliness, and his intensely bright and sunny nature."

From this description, what do you think Edward. H. Bickersteth was like?

A happy sunny person who was stern when you were bad.

5. Edward. H. Bickersteth constantly quoted the saying "Always sit on the sunny side of the hill." What do you think he meant by this?

Always look on the bright side of life

6. How did Edward. H. Bickersteth use the Heath? (Page 27)

He preached in open air

7. What is mentioned on page 30 as the outstanding events in Edward. H. Bickersteth's life?

writing the poem yesterday, today ^{and} forever

8. Name three things in his life that you think Edward. H. Bickersteth would be most proud of:

1. becoming priest of christ church.

2. living a happy life.

3. writing the poem yesterday, today and forever.

9. Using what you now know, describe Edward. H. Bickersteth in 40 words!

Edward Bickersteth will be never forgotten by anyone in christ church or in hamstead. he will be remembered as a bright sunny man who was a loving father and write the poem yesterday today and forever he had 4 daughters which he loved very much.

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