

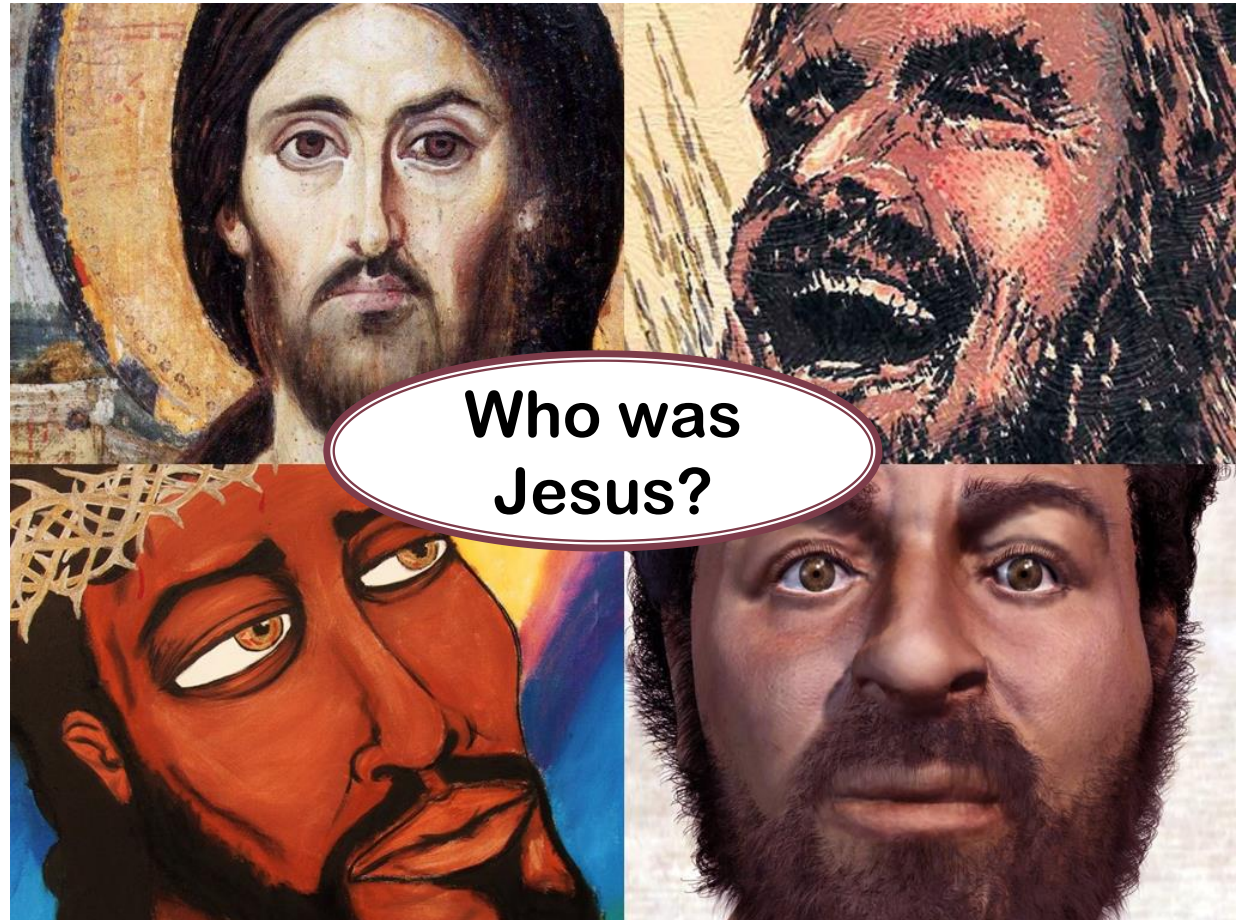
Lesson 1

Term 2

Leave a whole page clear before you start today's work.
This will be your front cover for the topic 'Jesus, Son of God.'
You will be completing this for your homework this week.

Challenge:

Explain which ones are
FACT and which ones are
based on **OPINION**

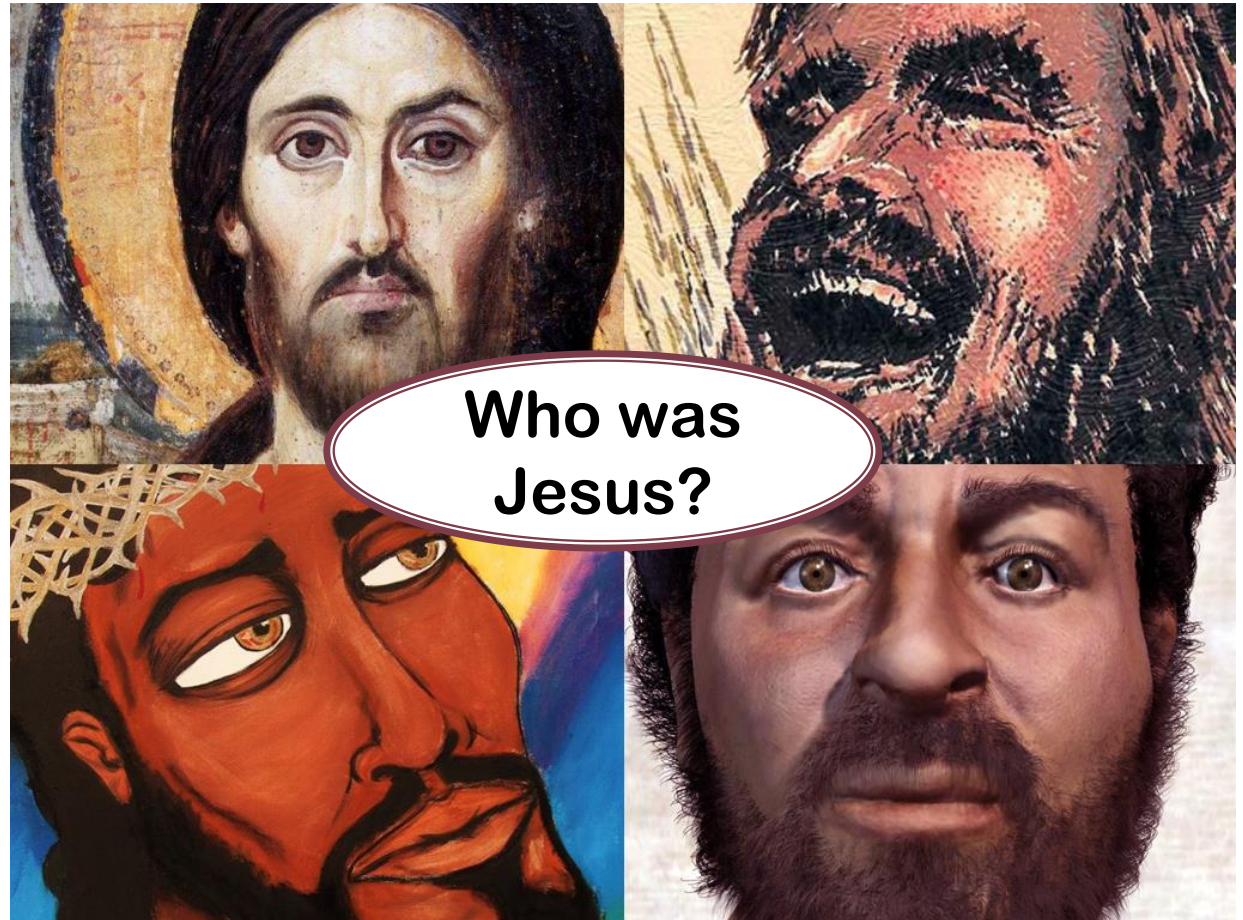


Do now: list in your books...

- 1) What do you know about Jesus?
- 2) What do Christians believe about Jesus?

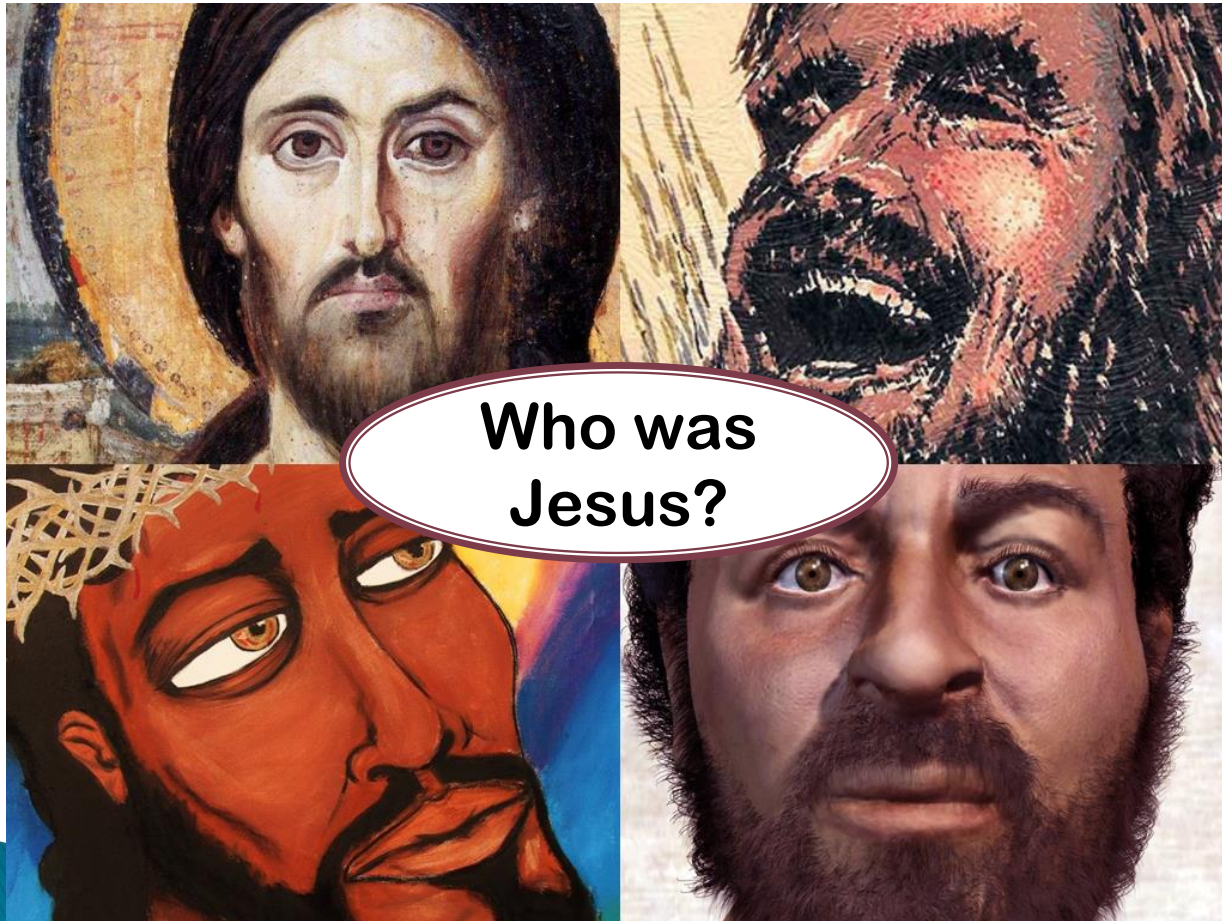
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The person Jesus Christ – Who was Jesus?

YWBAT: develop an understanding of who Jesus was.



The Key aspects about Jesus that we will be focusing on are:

- Jesus as Messiah
- Jesus as Son of God
- Jesus as Lord and Saviour

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Who was
Jesus?

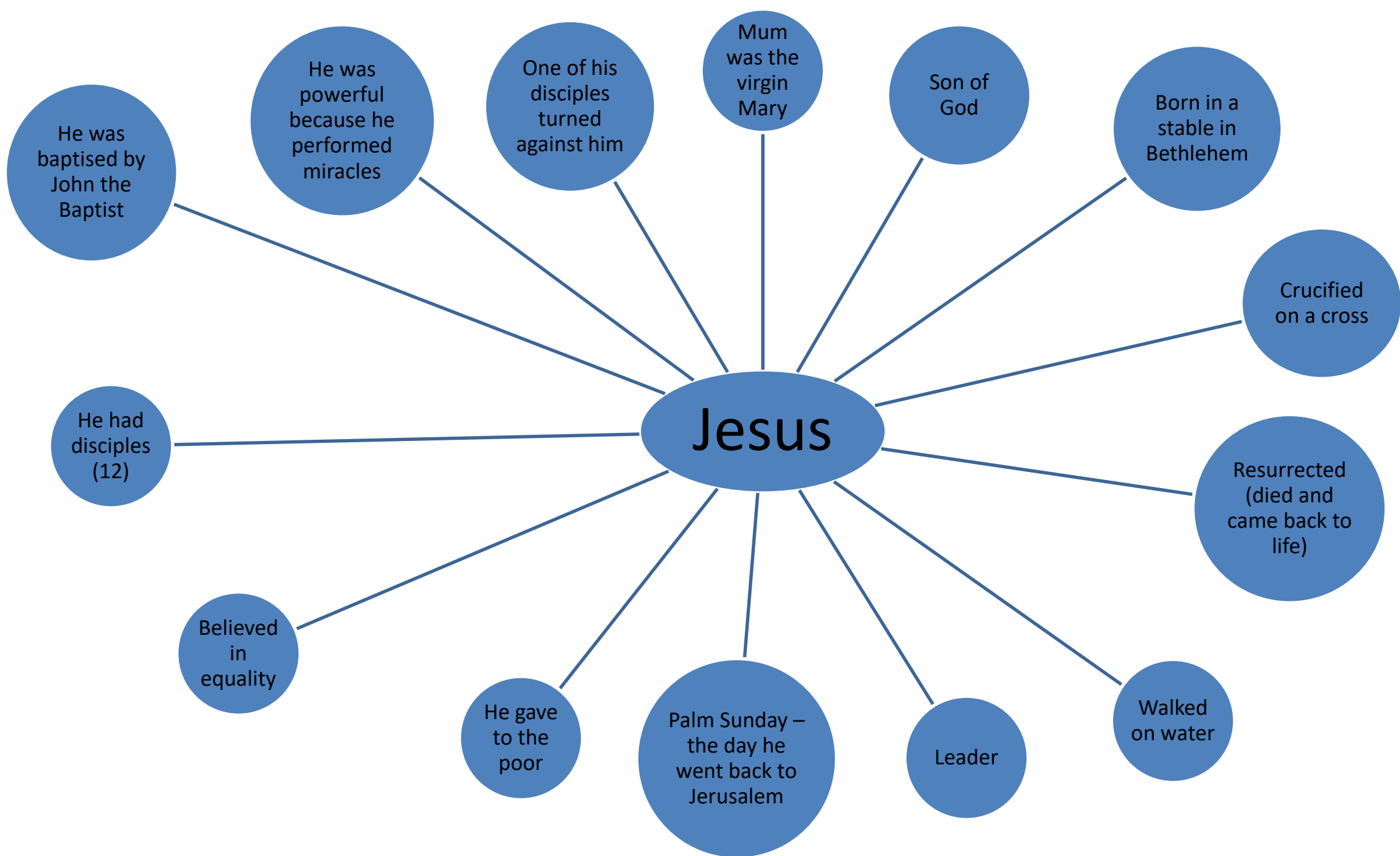
Watch the [short video](#) and add 5 new ideas about who Jesus is according to Christians

Answer these questions in your book:

- 1) What does 'Messiah' mean?
- 2) What makes Jesus so special to Christians?
- 3) What questions do you still have?

MESSIAH - The person whom God will send to save humanity, believed by Christians to be Jesus (the Anointed One). Hebrew form of the word 'Christ'.





Jewish Ideas of the Messiah in the Old Testament

Task:

- 1) Read the verses from Samuel and Daniel in the Bible on the next slide.
 - 2) How is the Messiah described?
- Add keywords/ ideas to your mindmap.



2 Samuel 7:12-15

¹²When you die and are buried with your ancestors, I will make one of your sons king and will keep his kingdom strong.¹³He will be the one to build a temple for me, and I will make sure that his dynasty continues forever.¹⁴I will be his father, and he will be my son. When he does wrong, I will punish him as a father punishes his son.¹⁵But I will not withdraw my support from him as I did from Saul, whom I removed so that you could be king.

Daniel 7:9-14g

⁹While I was looking, thrones were put in place. One who had been living forever sat down on one of the thrones. His clothes were white as snow, and his hair was like pure wool. His throne, mounted on fiery wheels, was blazing with fire,¹⁰and a stream of fire was pouring out from it. There were many thousands of people there to serve him, and millions of people stood before him. The court began its session, and the books were opened.

¹¹While I was looking, I could still hear the little horn bragging and boasting. As I watched, the fourth beast was killed, and its body was thrown into the flames and destroyed.¹²The other beasts had their power taken away, but they were permitted to go on living for a limited time.

¹³During this vision in the night, I saw what looked like a human being. He was approaching me, surrounded by clouds, and he went to the one who had been living forever and was presented to him.¹⁴He was given authority, honor, and royal power, so that the people of all nations, races, and languages would serve him. His authority would last forever, and his kingdom would never end.

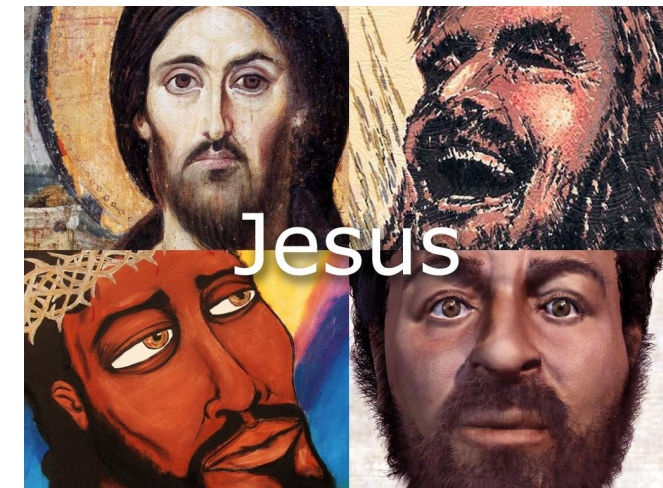
The Messiah

Jewish Understanding



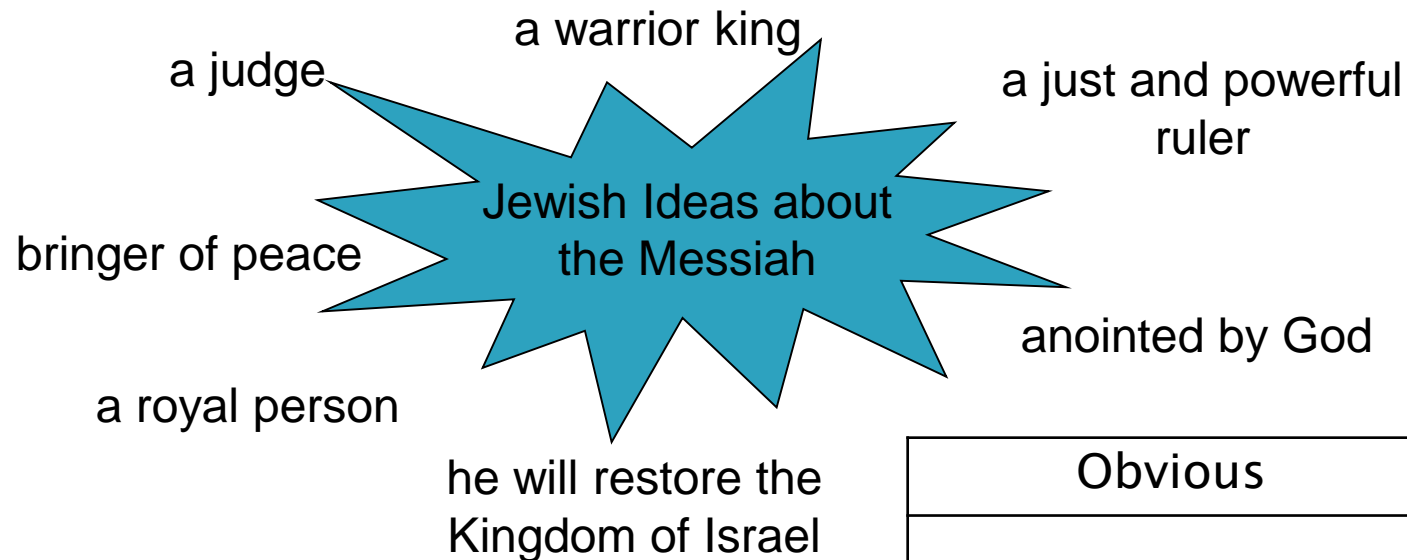
Add to your mindmap before answering these questions in your book:

- 1) Explain which of these qualities match up to your idea of Jesus.
- 2) Which of these qualities do you think are the most of the important for a messiah and why?



Answer these questions in your book:

1) How *does* Jesus fit the profile for the Jewish understanding of Messiah? *Jewish people believe that the messiah has not come yet, therefore they believe that....*



Obvious	Not Obvious

Look again at these qualities

2) Are there any that Jesus did meet? Think outside the box, he may have met them in a non obvious way....?

- 1) Read these passages on the sheet (do as many as you can!)**
- 2) Why is the messiah described as having these qualities?**

- 1. Matthew 1:1-16 - Royal**
- 2. John 8:2-11 – Judge, warrior**
- 3. Luke 1:26-34 – ruler, anointed (chosen) by God**
- 4. Mark 11: 15-19 – restorer of the kingdom**
- 5. Matthew 26: 52-53 – bringer of peace**

Bible Evidence for Jesus as Messiah

1. Matthew 1:1–16 Good News Translation (GNT)

The Ancestors of Jesus Christ

1 This is the list of the ancestors of Jesus Christ, a descendant of David, who was a descendant of Abraham.

2–6 From Abraham to King David, the following ancestors are listed: Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Judah and his brothers; then Perez and Zerah (their mother was Tamar), Hezron, Ram, Amminadab, Nahshon, Salmon, Boaz (his mother was Rahab), Obed (his mother was Ruth), Jesse, and King David.

7–11 From David to the time when the people of Israel were taken into exile in Babylon, the following ancestors are listed: David, Solomon (his mother was the woman who had been Uriah's wife), Rehoboam, Abijah, Asa, Jehoshaphat, Jehoram, Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, Hezekiah, Manasseh, Amon, Josiah, and Jehoiachin and his brothers.

12–16 From the time after the exile in Babylon to the birth of Jesus, the following ancestors are listed: Jehoiachin, Shealtiel, Zerubbabel, Abiud, Eliakim, Azor, Zadok, Achim, Eliud, Eleazar, Matthan, Jacob, and Joseph, who married Mary, the mother of Jesus, who was called the Messiah.

2. John 8:2–11 Good News Translation (GNT)

2 Early the next morning he went back to the Temple. All the people gathered around him, and he sat down and began to teach them. 3 The teachers of the Law and the Pharisees brought in a woman who had been caught committing adultery, and they made her stand before them all. 4 “Teacher,” they said to Jesus, “this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. 5 In our Law Moses commanded that such a woman must be stoned to death. Now, what do you say?” 6 They said this to trap Jesus, so that they could accuse him. But he bent over and wrote on the ground with his finger. 7 As they stood there asking him questions, he straightened up and said to them, “Whichever one of you has committed no sin may throw the first stone at her.” 8 Then he bent over again and wrote on the ground. 9 When they heard this, they all left, one by one, the older ones first. Jesus was left alone, with the woman still standing there. 10 He straightened up and said to her, “Where are they? Is there no one left to condemn you?” 11 “No one, sir,” she answered. “Well, then,” Jesus said, “I do not condemn you either. Go, but do not sin again.”

Bible Evidence for Jesus as Messiah

3. Luke 1:26–34 Good News Translation (GNT)

The Birth of Jesus Is Announced

26 In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy God sent the angel Gabriel to a town in Galilee named Nazareth. 27 He had a message for a young woman promised in marriage to a man named Joseph, who was a descendant of King David. Her name was Mary. 28 The angel came to her and said, "Peace be with you! The Lord is with you and has greatly blessed you!"

29 Mary was deeply troubled by the angel's message, and she wondered what his words meant. 30 The angel said to her, "Don't be afraid, Mary; God has been gracious to you. 31 You will become pregnant and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. 32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High God. The Lord God will make him a king, as his ancestor David was, 33 and he will be the king of the descendants of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end!"

4. Mark 11:15–19 Good News Translation (GNT)

Jesus Goes to the Temple

15 When they arrived in Jerusalem, Jesus went to the Temple and began to drive out all those who were buying and selling. He overturned the tables of the moneychangers and the stools of those who sold pigeons, 16 and he would not let anyone carry anything through the Temple courtyards. 17 He then taught the people: "It is written in the Scriptures that God said, 'My Temple will be called a house of prayer for the people of all nations.' But you have turned it into a hideout for thieves!"

18 The chief priests and the teachers of the Law heard of this, so they began looking for some way to kill Jesus. They were afraid of him, because the whole crowd was amazed at his teaching.

19 When evening came, Jesus and his disciples left the city.

Bible Evidence for Jesus as Messiah

Matthew 26:52–53 New
International Version (NIV)

52 “Put your sword back in its place,” Jesus said to him, “for all who draw the sword will die by the sword. 53 Do you think I cannot call on my Father, and he will at once put at my disposal more than twelve legions of angels?”

Read these passages

Match them up with which quality they show Jesus displaying

Matthew 1:1-16

▶ *Royal* – He is a descendent of David who was a King

John 8:2-11

▶ *Judge* – even though he doesn't judge the woman, he judges those who were about to stone her

Luke 1:26-34

▶ *Warrior* – he fights for what is right, justice

Mark 11: 15-19

▶ *Anointed by God* – Mary is told she will carry God's Son

▶ *Ruler* – she is told he will rule over the house of Jacob

Matthew 26: 52-53

▶ *Restorer of the kingdom* – the temple should be for all people, just like the kingdom of God, for 'all nations'

▶ *Bringer of Peace* – he responds peacefully even though they are fighting with him

Question –

▶ Explain why Christians think Jesus *is* the Messiah.

Task: Write the first paragraph of this essay

Pick 1 of the qualities that are associated with the Messiah and explain how Christians believe Jesus meets this quality.

Use direct evidence from the Bible as evidence.

Point: Christians think that Jesus is the Messiah as they believe he has qualities of a Messiah that were predicted in the Old Testament. One of these qualities is...

Evidence: In the Old Testament, it is said that the Messiah will be.... In the New Testament, the Bible says...

Explain: This shows...

Link: Therefore, Christians believe that Jesus is the Messiah because...

Challenge: Complete the question with 1 or 2 more paragraphs.

Create an ACROSTIC using the word MESSIAH to help you remember the meaning of Messiah.

For example;

Meant to save humanity

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Anointed one

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Lesson 2



Do now
How do we find out
things?
How can we spread
a story?



YWBAT: understand the mission of Jesus and events in his life that are still significant today.

Jesus' Life

His
Mission

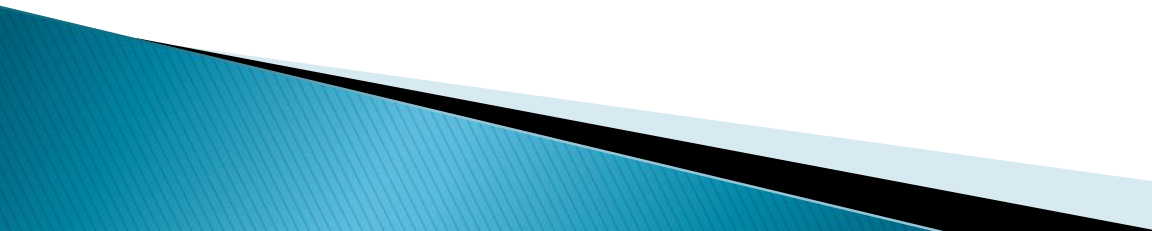




**How do you think
Jesus told others
about God?**

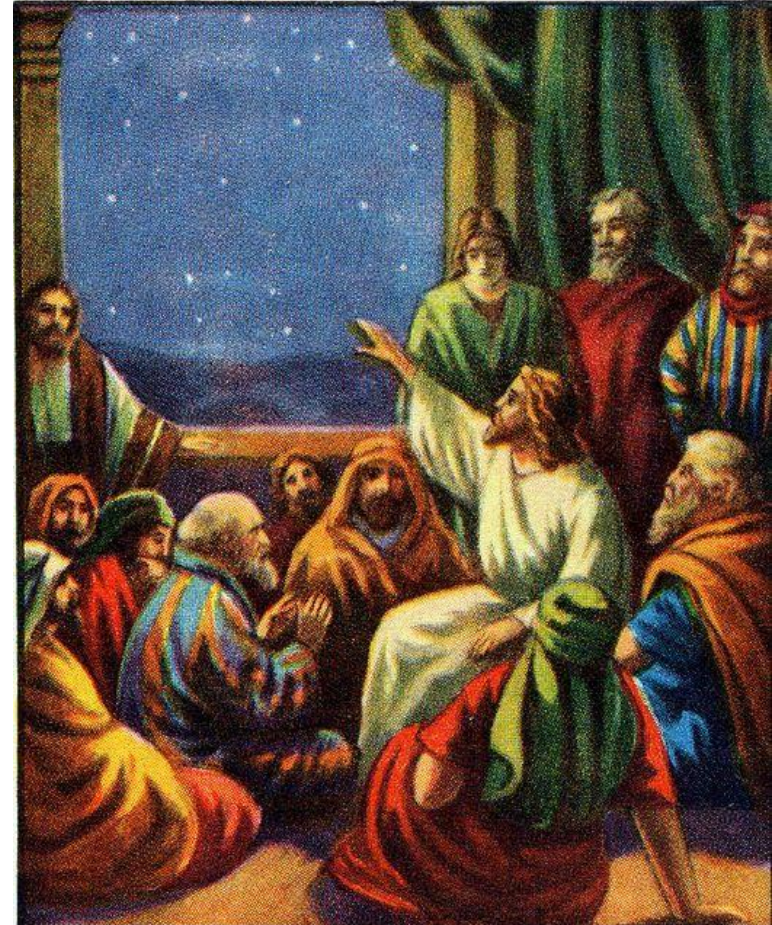


Key TERMS

- ▶ **Christ:** a Greek word for Messiah.
 - ▶ **Disciple:** one of Jesus' closest followers.
 - ▶ **Gospels:** 'good news' the first four books of the New Testament are gospels.
 - ▶ **Ministry:** Jesus' preaching and teaching.
 - ▶ **Parable:** a story with religious meaning.
 - ▶ **Preach:** to give a sermon on a topic.
 - ▶ **Saviour:** one who saves others from evil.
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What do Christians believe about Jesus?

- ▶ Christians believe that God showed himself to the world through Jesus.
- ▶ They read the Gospels in the New Testament to find out about him. He is shown as a teacher, healer and friend to all kinds of people, even those that others didn't like.




Jesus taught that God's kingdom was coming and then evil and suffering would be no more. He taught that this would only happen if people loved their neighbours and loved God by keeping his commandments.



Jesus showed his teachings by performing miracles. Although Jesus was a Jew, he upset Jewish leaders because of his criticism of them. These leaders plotted his death. The majority of the 4 gospels are about the last week of Jesus' life when he was arrested, tried and crucified in Jerusalem.

What are the most important Christian beliefs about Jesus?

- ▶ Christians believe that Jesus rose from the dead. The belief that Jesus rose from the dead after being crucified is the most important belief held by Christians because it meant that evil, hatred and death are less powerful than good, love and life.
 - ▶ What is this belief called?
 - ▶ **The Resurrection**
 - ▶ Christians believe that Jesus was the expected Jewish Messiah who was to come one day to save people from their sins.
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What are the most important Christian beliefs about Jesus?

- ▶ Christians believe those who follow Jesus will die, as he did, but will rise to new life, as he did. Christians also believe that Jesus was not just a man but was God himself in human form. They believe he was the Son of God, saving the human race from its own evil.



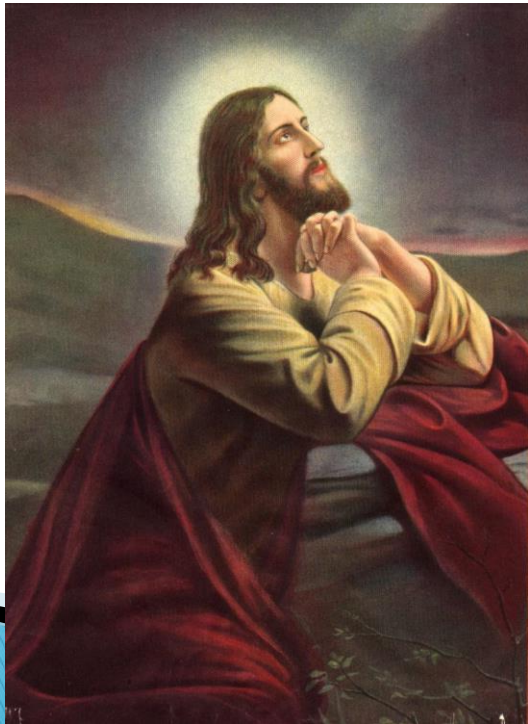
What is important about Jesus?

- ▶ Belief that he was:
 - Son of God – that he was God in human form.
 - Provider of Salvation and reconciliation with God.
 - Spoke often of not judging others.
 - Born to a virgin.
 - Able to perform miracles.
 - Was crucified and then rose from death.



What do you
think the word
“SAVIOUR” means?

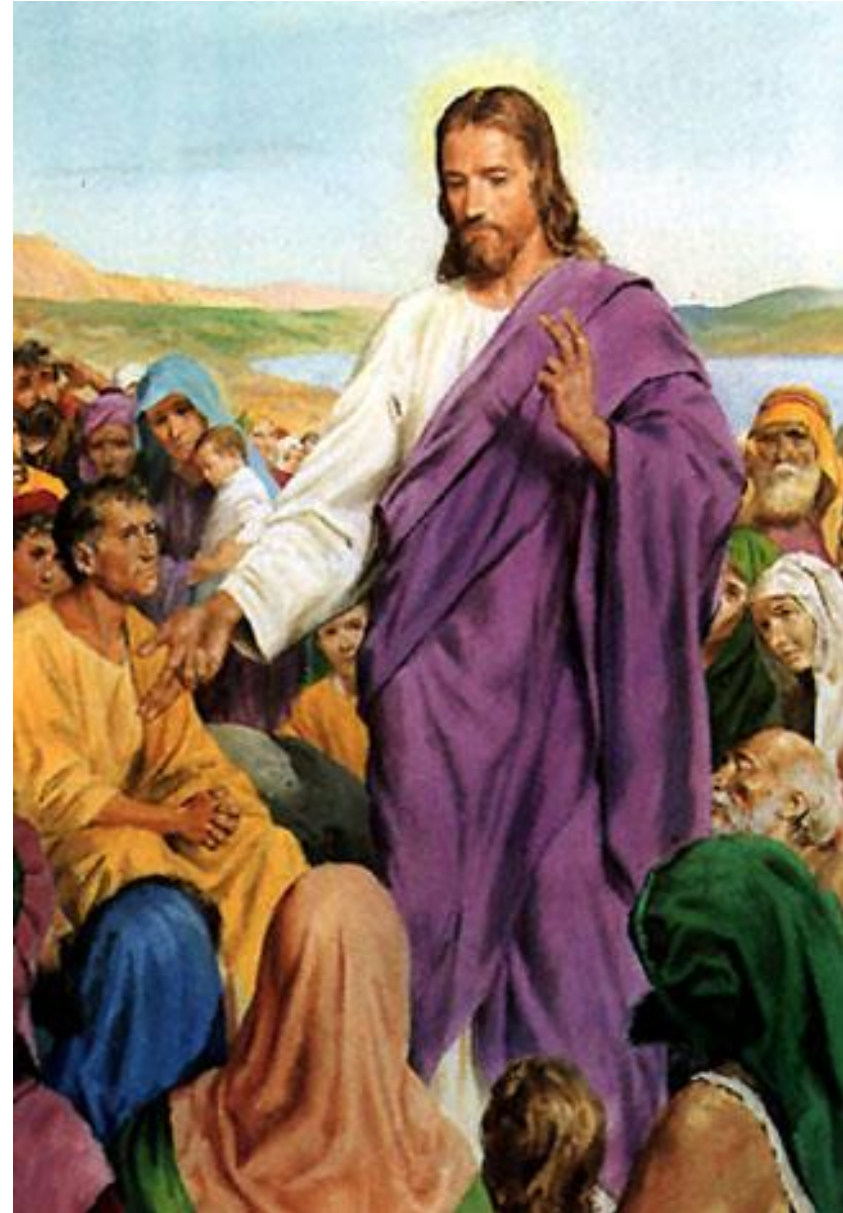
- ▶ Jesus is portrayed in the New Testament as Saviour of the world – the name ‘Jesus’ also means ‘saviour’.
- ▶ When Jesus was 30 years old he was baptized in the River Jordan by John the Baptist.



- ◉ Jesus then went into the desert to pray, whilst here he was tempted by the devil but refused to use his power for evil.
- ◉ When he returned Jesus began teaching & preaching and chose twelve apostles to travel with him.

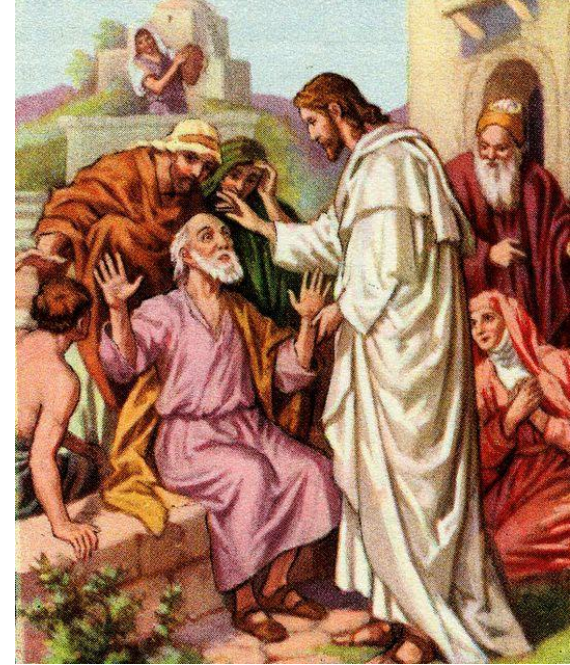
Jesus' Ministry

- ▶ Jesus' time spent preaching and teaching others is known as his **MINISTRY**.
- ▶ Jesus spent about three years of his life teaching and preaching.



Jesus' Miracles:

Jesus performed many miracles which convinced people that he was the Saviour.



- ▶ **Healing**, e.g. making the blind man see.
- ▶ **Controlling Nature**, e.g. feeding the 5000 or turning water into wine.
- ▶ **Power over death**, e.g. bringing Jairus' daughter back to life.
- ▶ **Exorcism**, e.g. casting out peoples demons.
- ▶ **Supernatural knowledge**, e.g. knowing things by supernatural means.

Jesus Preaching

- ▶ Jesus also preached to people.
- ▶ One example of him preaching was the Sermon on the Mount.
- ◉ He told many parables –e.g. the Good Samaritan which was about how we should help those in need (even enemies).

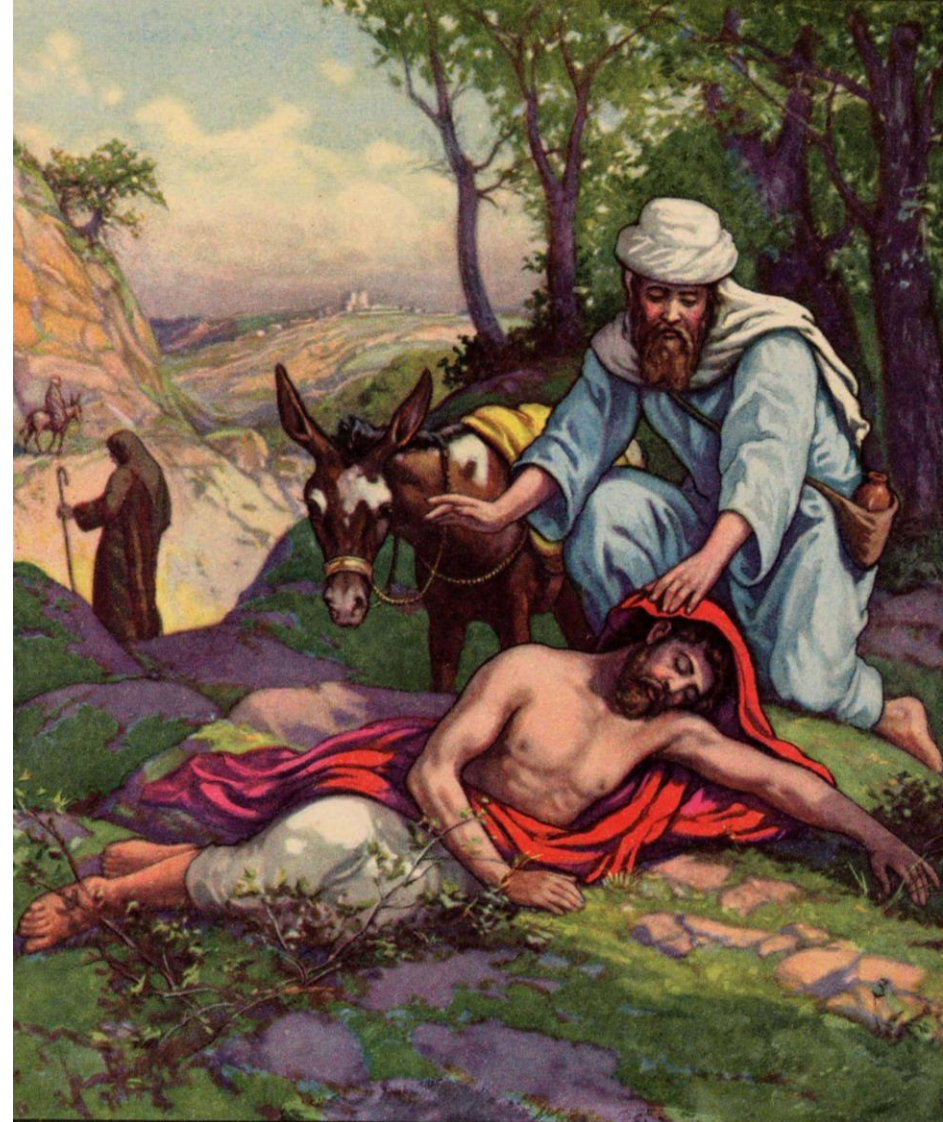


The Parable of the Good

Samaritan

A Jewish man was travelling the lonely road from Jerusalem to Jericho. He was attacked and robbed. The thieves even took his clothes, and left him lying by the side of the road, half-dead.

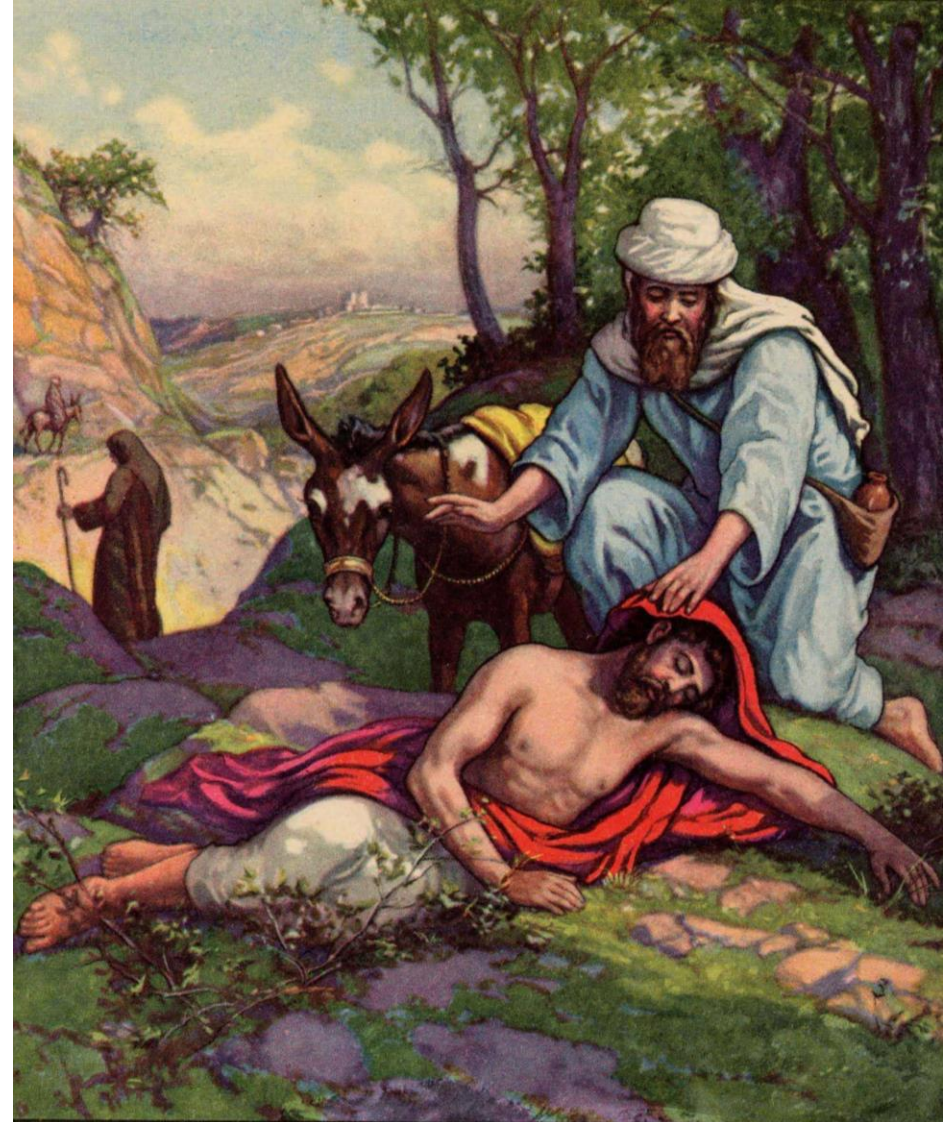
Not long afterwards, a priest was going down the same road. He did not stop to help but crossed to the other side of the road and walked on.



The Parable of the Good Samaritan

Then a Levite (an important official at the Temple) came by. He also walked on.

Then a Samaritan came by. Jews and Samaritans had hated each other for hundreds of years. He stopped and gave the man first aid. Then he took him to an inn. He even paid for the man to be looked after until he had recovered.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=53Paw20xK10>

**What does the Parable of the
Good Samaritan mean?
Write a modern day account in
your own words.**

Lesson 3

Do now – write down a word or sentence that describes each of the following images.



YWBAT: consider what Christians believe about the nature of God.

Christianity

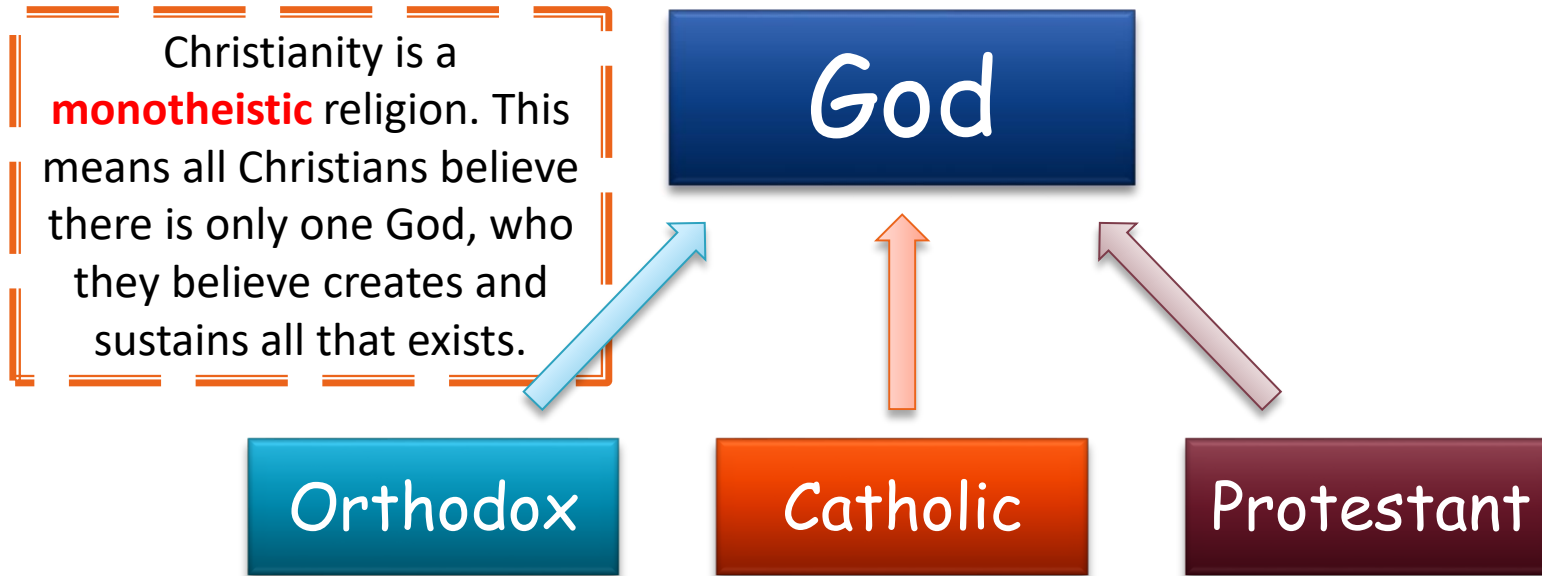
Write down 5 facts you know...

- ▶ Christianity is over 2000 years old – developing many of its beliefs out of Judaism.
- ▶ 1 in 3 of the world's population claim to be Christians.
- ▶ Christianity has a major influence on the lives of many, even those who are not Christians.
- ▶ Founded on belief that Jesus died and rose from the dead.
- ▶ The disciples of Jesus spread his teachings after his death and resurrection, causing Christianity to grow as a faith.
- ▶ Became the official religion of the Roman Empire in the 4th century when Emperor Constantine became a Christian.
- ▶ Three main branches of Christianity – Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant – many other 'denominations'

The nature of God

- ▶ List in your book what you know about people's beliefs about what God is like – his characteristics (think back to the do now if you are stuck)
- ▶ Compare with a partner – similarities and differences?
- ▶ Feedback to the class

Beliefs about the nature of God



There are three main types or denominations of Christianity, but many others too!
Even though the three denominations of Christianity have some differences in their beliefs, ways of worship and lifestyle, their belief in one God is universal.

A key Christian statement of belief called the Nicene Creed begins:

I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all worlds;
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God;
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made.

Who, for us men for our salvation,
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered and was buried;
and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father;
and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

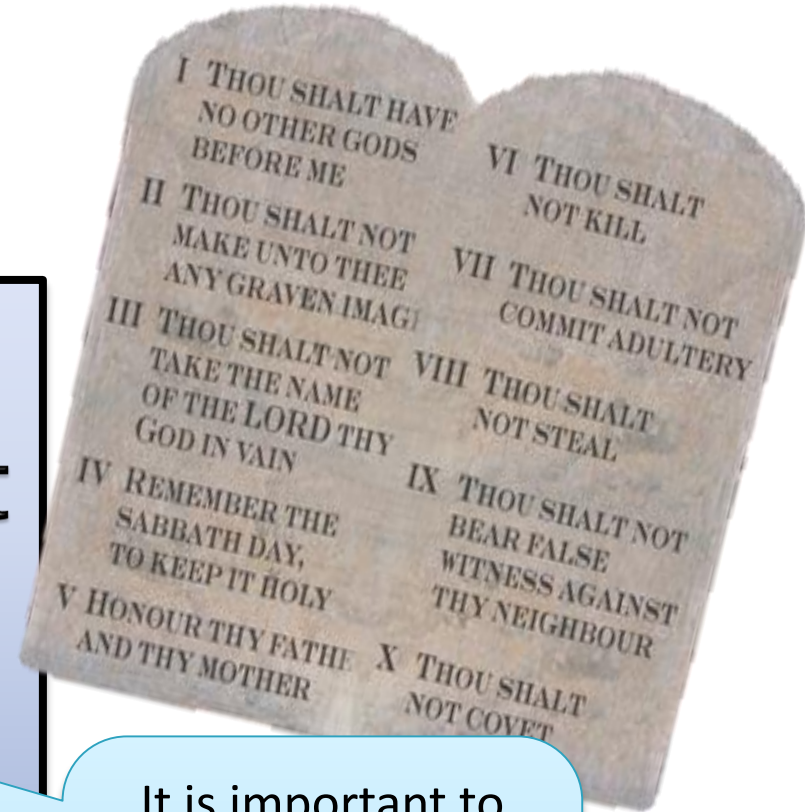
And I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the Lord and Giver of Life;
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

The first of the Ten Commandments that Christians should obey is:

“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. You shall have no other Gods before me.” *Exodus 20:2-3*

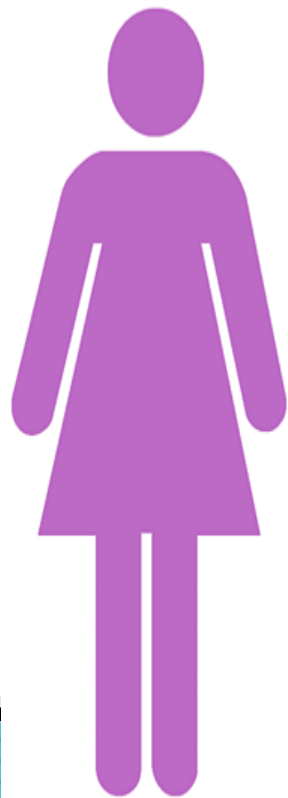
[NIV]



It is important to remember that this commandment was first given to the Jews.

Is God a man?

Many Christians refer to God as 'He' and 'Father', this does not mean they believe that God is male. God is thought to exist without the restrictions of gender, sharing both traditional ideas of male and female characteristics.



Caring



strong

Powerful
(omnipotent)

Progress check

1) Which of the following words describes God as all loving?
(1 mark)

A) Omnipotent B) Omnibenevolent C) Omniscient

2) Give two qualities which Christians believe describe the nature of God. (2 marks).

Exam hint! You only need to give the example, no description needed here.

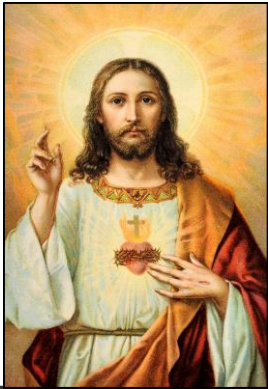
(2 marks)
Describe the qualities of God.

Describing God is very difficult. God is sometimes pictured in the sky in a human form but Christians do not believe God has a physical human body.



Here God is shown creating Adam in Michelangelo's painting for the Sistine Chapel.

The Bible says that God is spirit (John 4:24) and, in Luke 24:39, it is written that a spirit does not have flesh and bones.



However in Hebrews 1:3, it says that Jesus was God's son, and is the exact representation of God on earth.

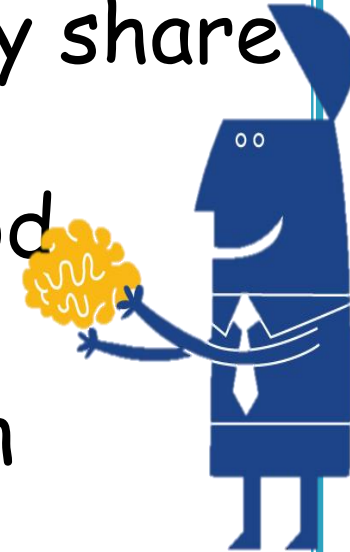
God has no restrictions caused by physicality but exists as a spiritual being that defies description. Christians consider God to be holy, which means something set apart from everything else for a special purpose, and worthy of worship.

Summary

- ▶ Monotheistic – one God who creates and sustains everything.
- ▶ **The Nicene Creed** – *‘I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.’*
- ▶ **The Ten Commandments** – *‘I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me.’ (Exodus 20:2–3)*
- ▶ No gender/no physical form.
- ▶ Guides and inspires to do his will for the good of all people.
- ▶ Communicate with God through prayer – this is how they ‘know’ God.

What do you know? Answer in your books in full sentences

1. What does the term 'monotheistic' mean?
2. What is the Nicene Creed?
3. What religion does Christianity share some teachings with?
4. Give two characteristics of God
5. Explain the term 'holy'.
6. Name the three main Christian denominations.
7. Give the definition of 'denomination'.



HOME LEARNING

If God were a business, what would his logo look like?

Design a logo that includes some of the characteristics you have learned about God, today.
Due in next lesson.

Review now

Does the Christian idea of God fit in to modern society?

- ▶ A reason to agree with the question....
- ▶ A reason to disagree with the question....

because.....because.....because.....

Lesson 4

Do now

If you could create a super hero, what powers would you give them and why?



Challenge: Can you explain whether you think human beings could possess these qualities? Give examples to support your view.



God as omnipotent, loving and just

YWBAT: understand some of the qualities of God.

Progress Indicators

I can describe some of the qualities of God and give examples to support.
Grade 3

I can explain how some of the qualities can be found in human beings.
Grade 5

I can consider the problem or evil and suffering in relation to the qualities of God.
Grade 7

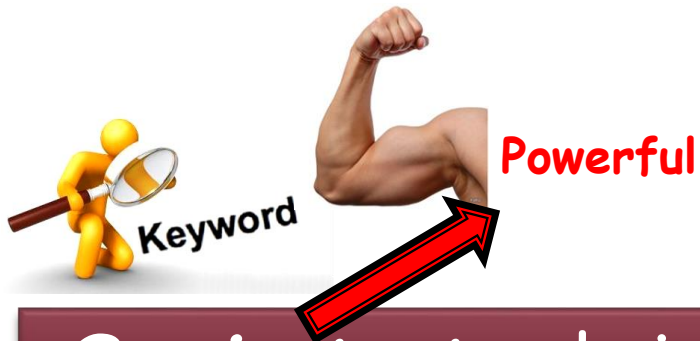
Christians believe that God has many different qualities. They believe God is perfect and that these qualities are proof of God's perfection. Some of God's qualities are not possible for humans to achieve but others are, and provide examples that Christians should aspire to.



There are three qualities of God that we will be exploring. During the lesson you need to fill in your sheet using the information on the slides.

God as omnipotent

In order to be the perfect 'Supreme Being', it is important that God is omnipotent. This means all powerful with unlimited authority - there is nothing God cannot do or achieve. In the Bible, the angel Gabriel answered Mary when she questioned her forthcoming pregnancy:



Omnipotent: almighty, having unlimited power; a quality of God.

“Nothing is impossible with God.”

Luke 1:37[NIV]



Most traditional images show God's omnipotence in terms of physical power and strength, it also consists of power and authority to do good. This is how Christians often interpret omnipotence. God's omnipotence is omnibenevolent.

Omnibenevolent

Remember, omnibenevolent has LOVE spelt backwards in the middle! This word means that God is all-loving and good.

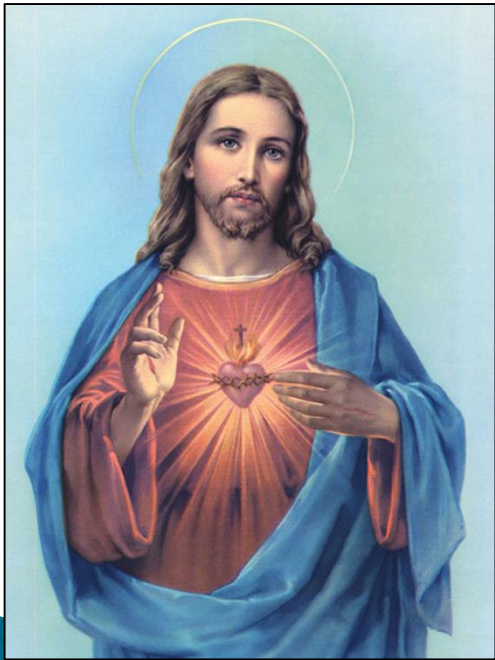


God as loving

The idea that God is loving is very important for Christians. They believe that because God loves humans, God wants what is best for them. They believe that God created humans because he is all loving and desired to bestow his love upon creatures. This encourages Christians to love each other in their daily lives by treating everybody with care and respect.



Christians believe that God's greatest act of love was sending God's son, Jesus, to earth.



“God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

John 3:16[NIV]

The Bible contains this definition of love:



“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.”

Corinthians 13:4-8 [NIV]

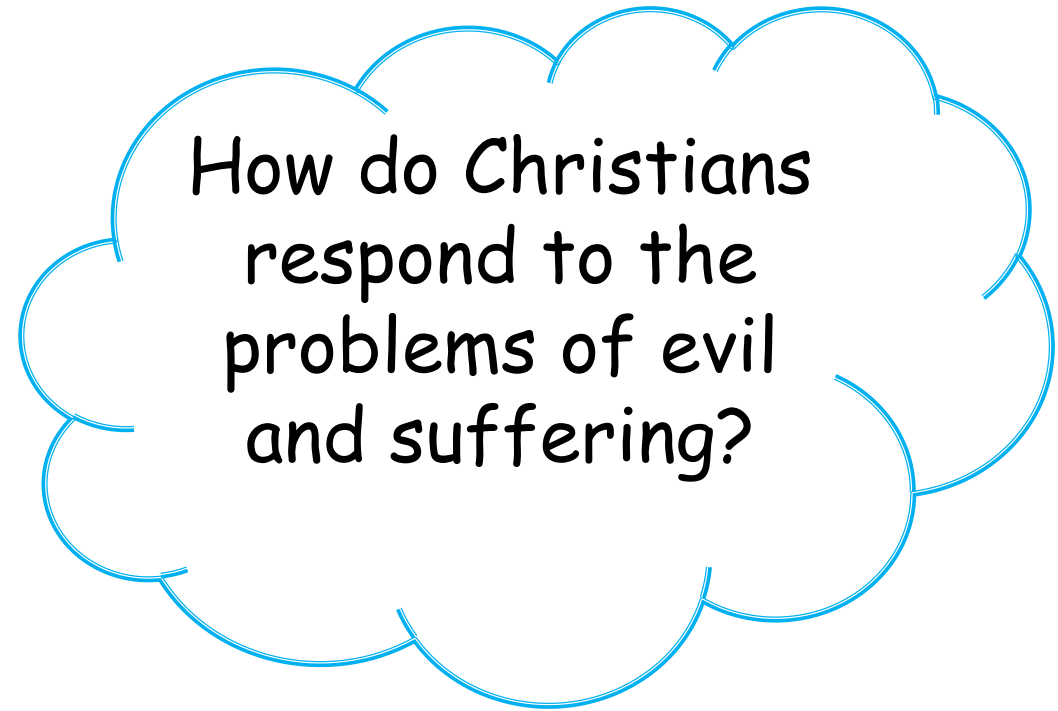
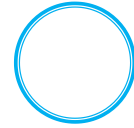
God as just, or fair.

With unlimited power and authority, together with total love, God is believed to be the perfect giver of justice. This not only included deciding on right and wrong but also being the perfect judge of human character.



As the ultimate source of justice, God will never support injustice, ill-treatment, prejudice or oppression. Therefore Christians should do all they can to prevent these wrongs wherever they encounter them.

The problems of evil and suffering



How do Christians
respond to the
problems of evil
and suffering?

The problems of evil and suffering



Many people question why a loving God would allow people to suffer, rather than prevent the evil actions of others from happening. Christians believe that a just God treats all people fairly and is incapable of making a wrong judgment.

Therefore, Christians are sure that they can trust God when things appear to be going wrong.

God as omnipotent, loving and just

God as omnipotent



“Nothing is impossible with God.”
Luke 1:37[NIV]

Why is it important for Christians to believe God has these three qualities? Explain your answer.

What other human qualities do you think God should have? Do you think God has them? Explain your answer.

God as loving



“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.”
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Challenge: Christians believe they should try to develop these qualities in themselves. Explain how they may do this and evaluate how doing so may help Christians to live as they believe God wants them to.



God as just

How do Christians respond to the problems of evil and suffering?



God as omnipotent, loving and just

God as omnipotent



What does omnipotent mean?

What does this quote link to?

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It is important for Christians to believe God has these qualities because...

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Some examples of a human qualities that God should have are...

I think God does / does not have these qualities because...

God as loving

What does benevolent mean?

What does this quote link to?



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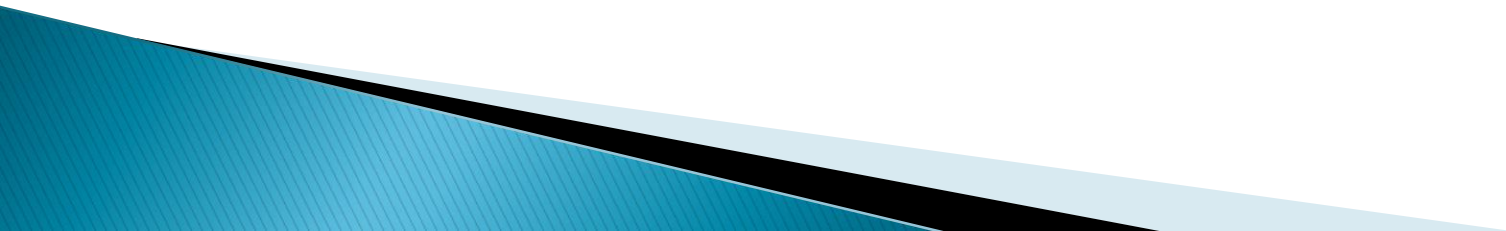
What is a giver of justice?

What does God not support?

How do Christians respond to the problems of evil and suffering? E.g. moral and natural evil.



Does the world today show God as omnibenevolent? What do you think? Explain your answer



Homework - Due next lesson

Create an image that shows God as a superhero.

You can use words / pictures but it needs to show the three qualities: omnipotent, omnibenevolent and just.

Lesson 5

Do now

Make a list of as many words that start with 'tri' that you can think of

YWBAT: understand and analyse the meaning of the Trinity.

KEY TERMS

Trinity – the belief that there are three persons in one God – Father, Son, Holy Spirit.

Son of God – Jesus, the second person of the Trinity. Shows there is a special relationship between God and Jesus.

Holy Spirit – the third person of the Trinity who Christians believe is the inspiring presence of God in the world.

The idea of the Trinity is that there are three 'persons', all of which are God. Just as a clover leaf is made up of what seems to be three separate leaves, the one God is made up of three 'persons' - **God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.**



Trinity: the belief that there are three persons in the One God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are separate, but are also one being.

What does Trinity mean?

- ▶ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n-1AdUwbWLw>
- ▶ Christians believe in one God (monotheism)
- ▶ He is revealed to the world in 3 ways.....
- ▶ **As the loving creator and sustainer of the universe – God the Father.**
- ▶ **As the saviour who became incarnate (born in human flesh) and lived, died and rose again – God the Son.**
- ▶ **As the source of strength which Christians find at work in their hearts – the part they communicate with in prayer (God the Holy Spirit)**
- ▶ **THREE in ONE**

Task

Sort the statements into the correct columns

(the number in brackets denotes the statements per column)

God the Father (4)	God the Son (5)	God the Holy Spirit (3)
Invisible power of God which breathes new life into people.	Helper and Guider.	Christians believe that he created HUMANS and the WORLD.
Born of the Virgin Mary.	Will judge.	Performed miracles.
He rose on the third day.	Continues to care like a father.	Sustains and rules everything.
Redeemer, saviour	Part of God that works within the world.	Came to Earth in the form of Jesus.

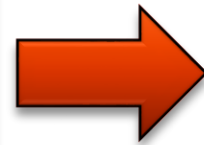
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	Redeemer and saviour	

Another way to think about this is to consider ice, water and steam. These are different forms of the same thing (H₂O).



The Trinity is similar: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit have different forms and are experienced in different ways even though they are all the same God.



The Trinity describes all three of the following at once:

- There is only one God
- Each person of the Trinity is fully God
- The persons of the Trinity are not the same

God the Father

Christians believe that the first person of the Trinity is God the Father. The Lord's Prayer, a prayer Jesus taught his disciples and which is commonly used in worship.

God the Father is believed to be the creator of the earth and all living things on it. As creator of life, he acts as a good father towards his children. He is believed to be all powerful (**omnipotent**), all loving (**omnibenevolent**) all knowing (**omniscient**) and present everywhere (**omnipresent**).

What message do you think Jesus wanted to portray with this prayer?

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven;
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

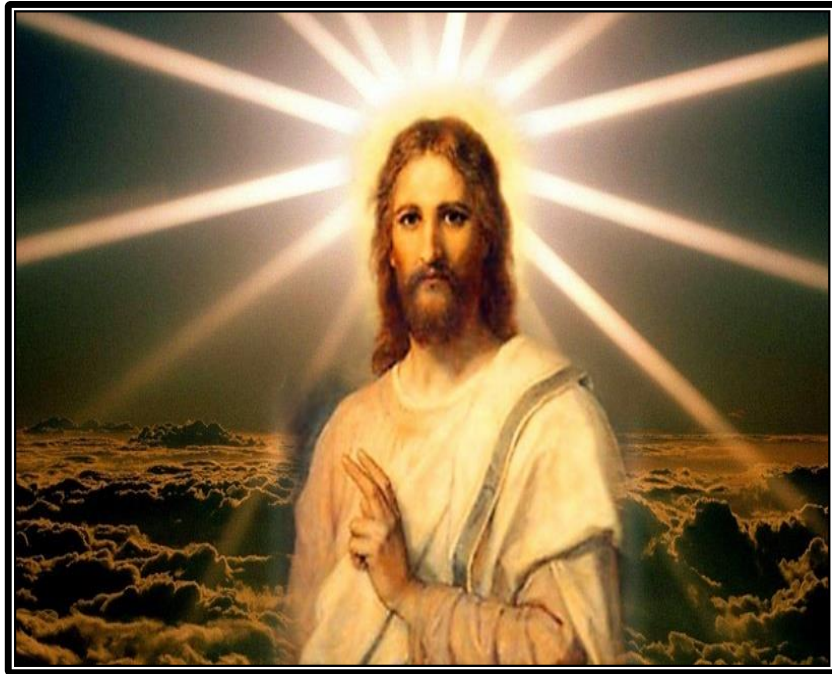
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass
against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen

God the Son

The second person of the Trinity is often referred to as the Son of God and became incarnate on earth and in history through Jesus.

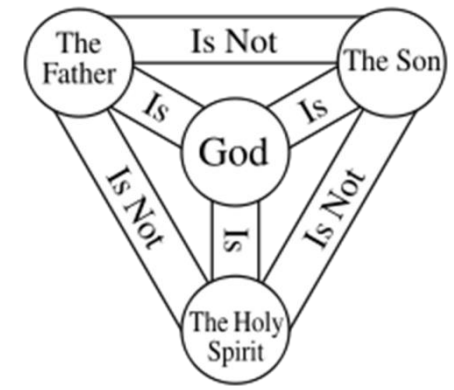
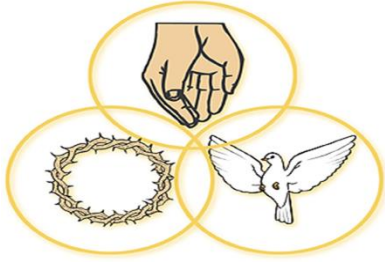
Christians believe Jesus was both fully human whilst on earth and also fully God at all times.



God the Holy Spirit

Christians believe that once Jesus had left the earth, God sent the Holy Spirit to influence, guide and sustain earth and all life on it. The Holy Spirit is believed to be the unseen power of God at work in the world in the past, present and future.





Symbols of the Trinity

Copy the diagram of the Trinity on page 13 into your book.
Make sure you copy down the words correctly – they are important!

Home Learning

‘Sarum Academy pupils do not need to wear school uniform.’ 12 marks

3 paragraphs which show different points of view.



Review now – Taboo!

- ▶ Describe the word I give you without actually saying it!
- ▶ How might this activity compare with the idea of Christians trying to explain the Trinity?