

Who was Jesus really?

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Theology

To explore scripture and stories to understand how different people might interpret them.

To recognise underlying themes in stories, such as kindness or forgiveness.

To know that water is often used in ceremonies and rituals to symbolised cleansing and purity.

Social Sciences

To reflect on how others might see the world and how they show respect for viewpoints different to their own.

To begin to discuss their own and others' spiritual experiences and beliefs. To present different views thoughtfully and creatively.

To explore how beliefs impact people's lives and actions, including personal and community practices.

Philosophy

To know that the teachings of a religious or non-religious worldview often link with a follower's life choices.

To compare and contrast stories of teachings from different religions to identify common themes.

To know that stories and scriptures give insights about how to live.

Vocabulary

Disciple: followers of Jesus who spread his teachings.

Easter: a Christian festival celebrating the life, death and coming back to life of Jesus.

Impact: the effect that a person, event or situation has on someone or something.

Perspectives: different ways of looking at or thinking about something.

Resurrection: the action of coming back to life.

Sacrifice: giving up something valued for the sake of something else.

Saviour: a person who saves or rescues others from harm.

Spiritual: connecting with non-physical aspects of being human, sometimes linked to God.

Prophet: someone who receives messages from God, often about the future.

Christians often use different names for Jesus:
Christ - chosen by God to lead and save people.
Immanuel - 'God with us'.
Lord - a leader who has authority over everything.
Saviour - someone to save people from sin and bring them to God.
Shepherd - a carer and guide for people in the same way a shepherd looks after sheep.



Roman leaders were not happy with his popularity so arrested him and later **crucified** him, meaning he died on a cross. Jesus' **resurrection*** is believed to have happened three days later, when he was seen alive again.





Jesus was a Jewish man, born on Earth, in Bethlehem. Many Christians believe his parents were chosen by God.

Jesus used short stories called **parables** to teach people how to lead good lives. He is believed to have performed miracles which are recorded in a part of the Bible called the **Gospels***.

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Key Learning:.

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| 1 | Who was Jesus?
Information finding – exploring who Jesus was.
Discussions relating to different representations of Jesus. |
| 2 | Why did some people believe that Jesus was the Messiah?
Using own bibles to explore passages.
Activities involving discussing old and new testament extracts, stories and prophecies.
Discuss how Jewish and Christian followers may interpret scripture differently |
| 3  | What did Jesus do?
Sharing parables about Jesus identifying morals and spiritual connection to God.
Considering religious and non-religious meanings within the parables.
Discussion viewpoints and perspectives and why they might differ. |
| 4 | Why does Jesus have so many names?
Exploring nicknames and terms of endearment.
Activity in groups matching Jesus' names with images and bible passages. |
| 5 | How did Jesus inspire people?
Making deductions from bible stories: New Testament, Mark, Luke and John. |
| 6  | What happened when Jesus died?
Following the sequence of events leading to Jesus' death.
Discussing the viewpoints and perspectives of different people at the time of Jesus's death.
Explore meanings behind the Easter story. Personal viewpoints from Easter inspirations. |