

Preston Primary School Knowledge Organiser

Topic: RE

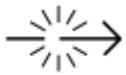
Term: Autumn 2

Year: Unit 4

Duration: 6 weeks

The Powerful Knowledge we will take away from this Learning Enquiry (what we will be learning):

Why do Christians believe Jesus is the Messiah?

Making sense of belief:	Understanding the impact:	Making connections:
		 Connecting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I can explain the place of Incarnation and Messiah within the 'big story' of the Bible. I can identify Gospel and prophecy texts, using technical terms. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I can show how Christians put their beliefs about Jesus' Incarnation into practice in different ways in celebrating Christmas. I can comment on how the idea that Jesus is the Messiah makes sense in the wider story of the Bible. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I can weigh up how far the idea of Jesus as the 'Messiah' – a Saviour from God – is important in the world today and, if it is true, what difference that might make in people's lives, giving good reasons for my answers.

What I already know:

In Unit 3, we learned about Pentecost/ Good Friday and, although Messiah is a Hebrew word meaning 'anointed one', Christians use the word 'Messiah' because they believe that through Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection, he brought salvation to human kind.

Our Key Vocabulary:

Word	Meaning
Messiah	Someone believed to bring salvation to the world.
Incarnation	The incarnation is the Christian belief that God took human form by becoming Jesus.
God	A Being worshipped as the creator and ruler of the Universe.
Saviour	One who delivers from danger. A rescuer.
Salvation	The act of saving or being saved.
Anointed	A special, chosen one. The making of a king.
Old Testament	The first part of the Christian Bible.
New Testament	The second part of the Christian Bible- written after Jesus lived on Earth.

Incarnation of Jesus:



Christians believe that Jesus is God Incarnate, which means God in the flesh. Directly translated, 'Messiah' means 'anointed one' which is the title given to the person believed to be the saviour; the person who has been chosen and sent by God to 'save' mankind.

Throughout the New Testament, there is evidence of Jesus as the chosen one through his resurrection from the dead and the miracles he performed. The Messiah was sent to save humanity, and this salvation came about through his death and resurrection.

In Matthew's Gospel (16:13-17), Peter declares Jesus as the Messiah:

"You are the Messiah: the Son of the living God."

Through this statement Jesus is confirmed as the Messiah. In other words, he is confirmed as the chosen one who was sent to do God's will.

Christians believe that Jesus is God in the flesh, and they see Jesus as their Saviour.

The 'Big Story' of the Bible:

The Bible is the sacred text that Christians follow, the Bible is the account of God's action on the world, and his purpose with all creation. This image is a summary of the key teachings of the Bible. Can you spot incarnation?

The Big Story of the Bible



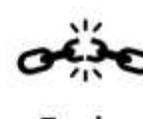
Creation



Fall



Promise



Exodus



Law



Judges
& Kings



Exile



Incarnation



Jesus'
Ministry



Death to
New Life



Church



New
Creation

Incarnation and Christmas:



For Christians, Christmas marks the arrival of God himself on Earth, in the person of Jesus (incarnation). This is summarised in this verse from the Book of John, found in the New Testament of the Bible: 'The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us' (John 1:14). At Christmas, Christians show their appreciation through helping others and showing Jesus' love to others.