



### Key Vocabulary

God  
Christian  
forgiveness  
parable  
belief  
loving  
welcoming  
Bible  
praise

### Knowledge Building Blocks

- Christians believe in God, and that they find out about God in the Bible.
- Christians believe God is loving, kind, fair and forgiving, and also Lord and King.
- Some stories show these Christian beliefs.
- Christians worship God and try to live in ways that please him.



### Key Bible Stories

Luke 15:1– 2, 11–32 Parable of the Lost Son

- A son asks his father for money, but spends it unwisely and runs out of money.
- He has to work as a pig farmer and is so hungry that he wants to eat the pigs' food.
- He decides to go home and ask his father for forgiveness.
- His father is really pleased to see him and throws him a party.
- The Parable of the Lost Son teaches that God is like a parent.



### Knowledge Building Blocks

- Christians believe that:
- Jesus is God and that he was born as a baby in Bethlehem.
- The Bible points out that his birth showed that he was extraordinary (for example, he is worshipped as a king, in Matthew) and that he came to bring good news (for example, to the poor, in Luke).
- They should celebrate Jesus' birth; Advent for Christians is a time of getting ready for Jesus' coming.
- Mary and Joseph were told to call their child 'Jesus', meaning 'he saves' or 'saving one'.
- Mary is herself a model of selfless 'helping'.
- Christians celebrate the coming of God's Son to rescue people, and to model the need for humans to help others.



### Key Bible Stories

Luke 1:26-38 and 2:1-20

- Mary is visited by the Angel Gabriel who tells her that she is to have a baby who is the Son of God
- Joseph is engaged to Mary and they travel to Bethlehem to be registered
- Mary and Joseph stay in a stable as all the inns are full
- Mary has her baby in the stable
- Angels appear to shepherds to tell them to go to Bethlehem
- Shepherds visit the baby

### Key Vocabulary

Jesus  
Son of God  
Gospels  
nativity  
Advent  
tradition  
wreath  
thankfulness  
Gratitude  
Bethlehem  
Mary  
Joseph  
Nazareth  
angel  
Gabriel  
shepherd



### Key Vocabulary

Gospel  
instructions  
Good news  
forgiveness  
peace  
Church  
community  
Romans  
disciples  
friendship  
neighbour

### Knowledge Building Blocks

- Christians believe Jesus brings good news for all people.
- For Christians, this good news includes being loved by God, and being forgiven for bad things.
- Christians believe Jesus is a friend to the poor and friendless.
- Christians believe Jesus' teachings make people think hard about how to live and show them the right way.



### Key Bible Stories

Matthew 9:9–13

- Jesus chooses Matthew, a tax collector, to be one of his disciples, a man that everybody disliked.
- Jesus is a friend to everyone.

John 14:27

- Jesus makes a promise to his disciples, 'My peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled and do not be afraid.'
- Jesus gives his followers peace.



### Key Vocabulary

Holy Week  
Easter  
salvation  
incarnation  
death  
resurrection  
Heaven  
sadness  
hope  
betrayal  
crucifixion  
crucified  
Palm Sunday  
Good Friday  
Easter Sunday

### Knowledge Building Blocks

- Easter is very important in the 'big story' of the Bible.
- Christians believe Jesus rose again, giving people hope of a new life.



### Key Bible Stories

Luke 19:28-44

- Jesus is welcomed into Jerusalem as a hero on Palm Sunday

Luke 22

- Judas betrays Jesus for money
- Jesus is arrested by Roman soldiers.

Luke 23: 32-56

- Jesus is crucified and placed in a tomb

Luke 24

- The women go to visit the tomb and find the stone rolled away. Angels tell them that Jesus will rise again
- Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene and the disciples



### Knowledge Building Blocks

- The mezuzah in the home reminds Jewish people about God.
- Shabbat is a special day of the week for Jewish people and there are special celebrations on this day
- The story of Chanukah is about a special lamp that burned for 8 days with just one bottle of oil. Jewish people believe that God supported them at this time and celebrate it every year.
- The Synagogue is a special place for Jewish people.
- The Jewish people's holy book is called the Torah.



### Special Objects

These objects are found in a Jewish home:



Mezuzah – this is kept on doorways and contains a small scroll of a special prayer called the *shema*.



Torah – the Jewish holy book is written in Hebrew.



Shabbat table – every Friday Jewish people celebrate a special meal.



The Chanukah candlestick reminds Jewish people about the miracles that happened.

### Key Vocabulary

- Jew
- Jewish
- mezuzah
- God
- Shabbat
- Chanukah
- Torah
- synagogue
- Pesach
- Shema
- challah
- celebration
- remembrance
- Havdalah
- candle
- holy
- shalom
- dreidel
- Star of David