

Theme: Christian beliefs and practices – SALVATION.

Key question: What did Jesus do to save human beings?

Keywords

Holy Communion/mass/eucharist/the Lord's supper - All words for the act of remembering Jesus's death with bread and wine.

Sacrifice - To put other people's needs above your own, at cost to yourself

Martyr - Someone who is killed because of their beliefs.



Stations of the cross – refers to a series of images depicting Jesus Christ on the day of his crucifixion.

Passover – holiday commemorating the Jews' liberation from slavery in Egypt and the "passing over" of the forces of destruction, or the sparing of the firstborn of the Jews, when the Lord "smote the land of Egypt" on the eve of the Exodus.

Symbolism - the use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities.

Attainment targets

- I can outline the timeline of the 'big story' of the Bible, explaining how Incarnation and Salvation fit within it.
- I can explain what Christians mean when they say that Jesus' death was a sacrifice, using theological terms.
- I can suggest meanings for narratives of Jesus' death/resurrection, comparing their ideas with ways in which Christians interpret these texts.
- I can make clear connections between the Christian belief in Jesus' death as a sacrifice and how Christians celebrate Holy Communion/Lord's Supper.
- I can show how Christians put their beliefs into practice.
- I can weigh up the value and impact of ideas of sacrifice in their own lives and the world today.

Key questions

- What did Jesus do to save human beings?
- Who was responsible for Jesus' death?
- Why did Jesus die?
- Why is the Eucharist a celebration and a serious moment?
- What are Christians willing to sacrifice to follow Jesus' example?
- How much would you be willing to sacrifice for something you believed in?
- "If a man has not discovered something that he will die for, he isn't fit to live." Martin Luther King. Do you agree?
- *Love your neighbour as you would yourself* (Mark 12:31) – is this always possible?
- Salvation is all about being rescued. Do you think we need to be rescued? What are we being rescued from?

Key texts.

Stations of the Cross – Bible, New Testament, Mark's Gospel for the most succinct account (Chapters 14–15).

Eucharistic Prayer - www.churchofengland.org or the Anglican Book of Common Prayer.

Passover – Bible, Old Testament, Exodus 12.

Key people

Some key recent figures who made sacrifices to follow Jesus:

- Jackie Pullinger
- Corrie Ten Boom (2)
- Gladys Aylward
- Desmond Tutu
- Martin Luther King (1)



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Key knowledge:

- Christians read the 'big story' of the Bible as pointing out the need for God to save people. This salvation includes the ongoing restoration of humans' relationship with God.
- The Gospels give accounts of Jesus' death and resurrection.
- The New Testament says that Jesus' death was somehow 'for us'.



- Christians interpret this in a variety of ways: for example, as a sacrifice for sin (**stepping in**); as a victory over sin, death and the devil (**bearing a burden**); paying the punishment as a substitute for everyone's sins (**taking someone's place**); rescuing the **lost** and leading them to God; leading from darkness to light.
- Christians remember Jesus' sacrifice through the service of Holy Communion (also called the Lord's Supper, the Eucharist or the Mass).



- Christians believe that Jesus calls them to sacrifice their own needs to the needs of others, and some are prepared to die for others and for their faith.