

Religious Education Knowledge Organiser – Year 4



Salvation

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Key Vocabulary

Trinity	The Christian idea of 1 God in 3 parts.
God the Father	The part of God who created the world by speaking.
Jesus the Son	The part of God who was sent to Earth to rescue God's people from their sin. Jesus is sometimes called 'The Word'.
The Holy Spirit	The part of God that lives in Christians' hearts.
salvation	When Jesus died on the cross to rescue his people from sin.
resurrection	Coming back to life from the dead.
Easter	A festival where Christians celebrate Jesus coming back to life and rescuing them.

Key Questions and Golden Nuggets

What does the story of salvation teach Christians about forgiveness and hope?	In his life, Jesus taught people to forgive. On the cross, Jesus did what he taught and asked God to forgive the people who hurt him. This teaches Christians to also be forgiving.
What is the significance of Salvation for Christians?	Christians believe everyone sins and that we need saving from our sins. Christians believe that Jesus did this on the cross. Receiving salvation is a life-changing event for Christians as it is the moment that they become a 'Christian' and choose to follow Jesus.
What is the significance of Judas betraying Jesus?	Judas chose to betray Jesus for a sum of money. The Bible says that Jesus knew that Judas would betray him, and he didn't try to stop him from doing so.
What is the significance of Jesus washing the disciples' feet?	Back then, people wore sandals and would have had dusty feet so a servant would wash visitors' feet when they arrived. Jesus washing his disciples' feet was an example of Jesus behaving like a servant and not a master. Christians try to serve people too and not behave as though they are the master.
What is the significance of the Last Supper?	Christians have different beliefs about the Last Supper. Some believe that the bread becomes Jesus' body and the wine becomes his blood. Others believe it is just a symbol of his body and blood but is still bread and wine or juice. The Last Supper marked a promise from Jesus that through his death he would bring salvation.
How do the events of Holy Week impact how a Christian lives their everyday life?	Christians do many things that show they are a Christian such as reading the Bible and praying. But Christians also try to behave in a way that follows the example of Jesus. Christians learn a lot from seeing how Jesus behaved during an incredibly difficult time in his life.
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Big Story of the Bible

Creation	The Fall	Kings	Prophets	Incarnation	Salvation	Kingdom of God	New Creation
							
<p>God creates the world. God says that his world is 'good'. This is in the book called Genesis and if you read carefully you can find Jesus and the Holy Spirit are there too.</p>	<p>Adam and Eve don't follow God's rules and they spoil their friendship with God. This story is also found in Genesis.</p>	<p>God's people aren't very happy and ask for a king like the other countries. God lets them have a king. Sometimes the kings follow God but sometimes they don't.</p>	<p>God wants to fix his friendship with humans so he asks prophets to tell the people the right thing to do. People continue to disobey.</p>	<p>God's people still aren't doing the right thing so God comes as Jesus to make it better for them. God the Son is incarnated and lives on Earth as a human being!</p>	<p>Jesus dies on the cross as a punishment for everything his people do wrong. His people can be friends with God again now that Jesus has brought them 'Salvation'.</p>	<p>Jesus' friends and followers tell the world about the Good News of Jesus. Jesus goes to Heaven but sends the Holy Spirit to live in their hearts and guide them.</p>	<p>Christians believe that Jesus will come again and bring a new Heaven and Earth where everything will be perfect again. This is in the book of Revelation.</p>









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Big Story of Humanity

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Humanity (people or humans) are friends with God. He created them and said they were 'good'.	Humanity ruins its friendship with God by not trusting him about what is right and wrong and by wanting to make up their own minds. 'Sin' has entered the world and all humans make mistakes and sin. God's people need rescuing from their mistakes.	God's people have become a country and want their own king. Some kings are good and show the people how to make things right with God. Some Kings don't and push the people even further away from God. God repeatedly rescues his people from military rulers and other kingdoms who want to control them.	God wants to mend his friendship with people so he sends prophets to tell them how to make things right with him again. God wants to rescue his people from their mistakes and show them the right way to him.	God comes himself as God the Son to rescue his people once and for all.	Jesus (God the Son) dies on the cross to take the punishment for everything his people have done wrong. God has rescued his people once and for all. If they say sorry for the things they do wrong, God will only see Jesus' goodness and not their sins when he looks at them. Jesus has taken their place.	Jesus' friends and followers tell the world about the Good News of Jesus saving them from their sins and that he will do it for them too if they will believe. Jesus goes to heaven but sends the Holy Spirit to live in their hearts and guide them.	Christians believe that Jesus will come again and bring a new Heaven and Earth where everything will be perfect again. Christians believe they will be there worshipping God and thanking him for what he has done for them. Humanity is friends with God again.

Big Story of a Christian's Life

Creation	The Fall	Kings	Prophets	Incarnation	Salvation	Kingdom of God	New Creation
I was created by God and loved by him.	All my life I have made mistakes and done things wrong. Some smaller things and sometimes some bigger things. I needed rescuing from them all.	God wanted to be the King of my Heart but I wanted to be in charge of my own life. I didn't want to trust someone else to rescue me.	I met someone who told me about the Good News of salvation and that my sins would be forgiven if I trusted in Jesus.	I found out that God wanted to be friends with me and came himself. When Jesus knocked on my door, I decided to be like the innkeeper and made a room for him to come in.	I said sorry to Jesus for all of the things I had done wrong and he forgave me. He promised me that I was friends with God again. I was lost but now I am saved!	The Holy Spirit came into my heart and I was baptised. Now I try to tell others about the Good News of Jesus rescuing me from my sins and failures!	One day I will live with God in heaven and worship him. I am friends with God now and everything will be perfect just as God wanted it to be in the beginning.