



Subject: RE

Year group: Year 5

Term: Autumn 2

Unit name: 2b.4 Was Jesus the Messiah?
(core)

Prior learning

Christians believe God is omnipotent, omniscient and eternal, and that this means God is worth worshipping.

Christians believe God is both holy and loving, and Christians have to balance ideas of God being angered by sin and injustice (see Fall) but also loving, forgiving, and full of grace.

Christians do not all agree about what God is like, but try to follow his path.

Christians believe getting to know God is like getting to know a person.

Key Aspects covered

In this unit of RE work children will know that:

- The idea of a 'messiah', or 'saviour', is important to Jews.
- The Jewish people hoped for a saviour, a messiah, who would vanquish their enemies and restore them to their homeland.
- The Messiah was widely expected to be a prophet who would re-establish the line of King David on the throne in Jerusalem, site of the Temple of God, drawing all nations to God.
- followers started to think he could be the Messiah.
- Christians found their Messiah in Jesus, who was not an earthly king but a man of peace and that Jesus's life.
- God, as Jesus, walked the earth and lived with humans, offers an incredible vision of Salvation.

Big Ideas

Connections between biblical texts and the idea of Jesus as Messiah.

Christians express their beliefs about Jesus as Prince of Peace and as one who transforms lives, through bringing peace and transformation in the world.

How much the world needs a Messiah, expressing their own insights.

Spirituality

Relationship between God and man - holiness, the gift of the Spirit, life in the Spirit and the discipline of the Spirit.

Knowledge expectations

Jesus was Jewish.

Christians believe Jesus is God in the flesh.

They believe that his birth, life, death and resurrection were part of a longer plan by God to restore the relationship between humans and God.

The Old Testament talks about a 'rescuer' or 'anointed one' — a messiah. Some texts talk about what this 'messiah' would be like.

Christians believe that Jesus fulfilled these expectations, and that he is the Messiah. (Jewish people do not think Jesus is the Messiah.)

Christians see Jesus as their Saviour (See Salvation).

Key vocabulary

Jesus

Christians

God

Jewish

Restoration

Restore

Rescuer

Anointed One

Messiah

Saviour

Messiah

King

Salvation