

Year 10 Religious Studies – Term 3 Christianity Beliefs

Days of Creation Story (Genesis 1)

Day 1	God creates light and dark
Day 2	God creates Heaven and Earth
Day 3	God creates the oceans, the land and plants
Day 4	God creates the moon and the stars
Day 5	God creates sea animals and birds
Day 6	God creates land animals and finally human beings (Adam and Eve)
Day 7	God rests

What does this teach Christians?

God is the all-powerful creator

Human beings are created in God's likeness, their lives have value (sanctity of life)

Humans have a responsibility to care for the world (stewardship)



Christian Beliefs About the Afterlife

Heaven

Christians believe that if you have behaved correctly on Earth according to the teachings of God and Jesus in the Bible, then you will go to Heaven. Heaven is a paradise where we join God.



Hell

However, if you have behaved in an evil manner, you may be sent to hell. This is a complete separation from God. This is now what God wants but a result of choices made with our own free will.

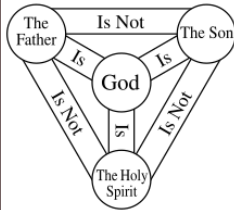


John 1:1 - 'In the beginning there was the word, and the word was God, and the word was with God'

The Holy Trinity - the idea that God can be understood as 3 separate parts that make up 1 whole.

Father – the all-powerful creator.
Son – Jesus, the embodiment of God on Earth

The Holy Spirit – the spirit of God that is immanent



Life of Jesus

Nativity

The Nativity is the story of the birth of Jesus, how he was born in Bethlehem in a manger to the Virgin Mary. Christians believe Jesus was the physical incarnation of God on Earth



Jesus' Ministry

Jesus began preaching around the age of 30, he travelled through the regions of Nazareth, Galilee and Jerusalem performing miracles, teaching sermons (like lessons), teaching parables (stories with a message in them) During this time Jesus was joined by his 12 disciples (most trusted followers)



Crucifixion

The Jewish authorities disagreed with Jesus' teachings, as a result of this, they tried him for blasphemy and found him guilty. He was crucified for this and his body was placed into a tomb.



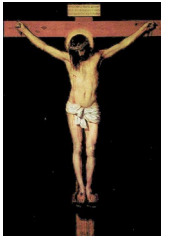
Resurrection & Ascension

After the crucifixion, Christians believe Jesus returned to life and lived for 40 days before ascending to heaven to join the Father.



Atonement & Reconciliation

Christians believe that when Jesus died to bring back together humanity and God. Christians believe at the time Jesus was alive, humanities relationship with God was damaged, but through Jesus' sacrifice allowed humans to become close to God again



Judgement

Christians believe that God judges us based on our actions and choices, every day in life we have the ability to choose. When we die God judges us based on our choices and rewards those who have been good/faithful/loving with a place in heaven.



Sin & Salvation

A sin is a wrongful or harmful action that goes against God's will, when we commit a sin we take ourselves away from God. Traditionally Jewish people would sacrifice animals to atone for sin, however when Jesus died this was to be an eternal sacrifice to allow us to get to heaven. This is why Jesus is called the lamb of God



Why is the resurrection important for Christians?

Jesus atoned for the sins of mankind; he paid the debt for the wrongdoing of humanity so we can go to Heaven.

It shows the power of God, to be able to come back from death.

It shows God's love, to be willing to suffer great pain on the cross for humanity.

Qualities of God

Omnipotent (all powerful)

Omniscient (all-knowing)

Benevolent (loving)

Transcendent (beyond space and time)

Immanent (everywhere all at once)

Year 10 Religious Studies – Term 3 Check

Comprehension Questions

1. What are the 5 qualities of God?
2. Summarise the 4 key parts of Jesus' life
3. Why is Jesus' resurrection important to Christians?
4. What are the 7 events of the days of creation?
5. What are the 3 parts of the Holy Trinity?
6. Give an example of actions that may result in a Christian going to Heaven?
7. Give an example of actions that may result in a Christian going to Hell?
8. What does the creation story teach Christians?
9. What does the term sin mean?
10. What does the term salvation mean?

Research Task

Research and summarise a story in the Bible that shows God as:

1. Loving
2. Omnibenevolent
3. Omniscient
4. The Holy Spirit

Storyboard Task

Create a storyboard summarising the life of Jesus. This storyboard should include the words.

Miracles
Parables
Ministry
Disciples
Nativity
Crucifixion
Resurrection
Ascension

Exam Practice Question

Have a go at this exam practice question. Make sure to give it to your teacher so they can mark it for you.

*'Belief in Jesus is all Christians need to be saved from Sin'.
Evaluate this statement*

[12 Marks]