

Focus:	Christianity	Year 4:	Autumn 2
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Overview

Big question: Why is the Bible a significant book for Christians?

Christians believe that:

- There are 10 commandments (rules to follow) given by God to Moses. They can be found in the **Old Testament**.
- There are four gospels giving 'good news' about Jesus.
- Christians recognise **Jesus** as the Son of God who was sent to save mankind from death and sin.
- Prayer is the means by which Christians communicate with their God.

Key Vocabulary

Spelling	Definition
Christianity	The religion followed by Christians.
Jesus	The founder of Christianity
Ten Commandments	Ten rules given by God for people to live by.
The Trinity	The three separate forms that God is known by.
Old Testament	The first (and biggest) part of the Bible, written before Jesus was born.

Key Knowledge

The Bible

Sixty-six books of the Bible are split into two separate sections, the Old Testament (before Jesus' birth) and the New Testament (after Jesus' birth).

There are 39 books in the Old Testament and 27 books in the New Testament.

There are five types of book in the Holy Bible; historical, poetry, prophetic, epistles and the Gospels.

Gospel

The first four books in the New Testament are called the Gospels. Their titles are Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

The main message of these books is Jesus and what He did here on earth and what He said.

The gospel is the Good News about what Jesus has done in His perfect life, death for us, resurrection and ascension to heaven. It is about His goodness and power.

Ministry of Jesus

The arrival of Jesus was known by John the Baptist. He baptized Jesus in the Jordan River. During the baptism, the Spirit of God, like a dove, came down upon Jesus, and the voice of God was heard.

Jesus taught mainly by telling stories. He taught that God alone was the true king, and that people should love God and love each other.

Jesus performed miracles that were signs of God's power, such as giving hungry people food and wine, healing sick people, and making dead people alive again.



In year 3 you learnt to...

Christianity
Understand the Christian cycle of the year, including festivals
Know that the Bible has different genres
Know major aspects of teachings of Jesus.