Religious Education

Year 5 – Christianity
Why do Christians believe Jesus was the Messiah?

Key Vocabulary

prophecy	Prophecy is a divine message from God and prophets are chosen for different reasons
Old Testament	A collection of books that were written before the life of Jesus
Messiah	A title given to the person believed to be the saviour, who has been chosen to bring salvation to humankind
Immanuel	The name of the Messiah, often represented as Jesus Christ
advent	It means 'coming' and it's the period before Christmas



Key Knowledge

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

Key Questions

What traits does a Messiah possess?

In the Bible, why did the people need a Saviour?

Was Jesus the hoped-for Messiah?

What clues are there in the old testament that Jesus was the Messiah?

Does the world need a Messiah?

If God sent another messenger to earth in this century, what would the messenger say?

Incarnation



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Did you know…
The Old Testament talks about ;the rescuer'.
The life of Jesus was planned by God to restore the relationship between humans and God.