

Religious Education knowledge organiser – Year 9 – Christian beliefs – Cycle 1 †

1.1. nature of God

the Oneness of God	God is one singular divine being (who can manifest itself in the Three Persons of the Trinity)
just	God is fair. God is the perfect giver of justice.
omnipotent	all powerful. God has physical power, it also means that he has the authority to do good.
omni benevolence	God is all loving. God's greatest act of love was sending God's Son, Jesus to earth.
omniscient	God is all knowing. God knew how to create the world out of nothing.

1.2. Problem of evil

Problem of evil	Atheists think God is not real because there is evil in the world.
Test from God	Suffering is a test from God.

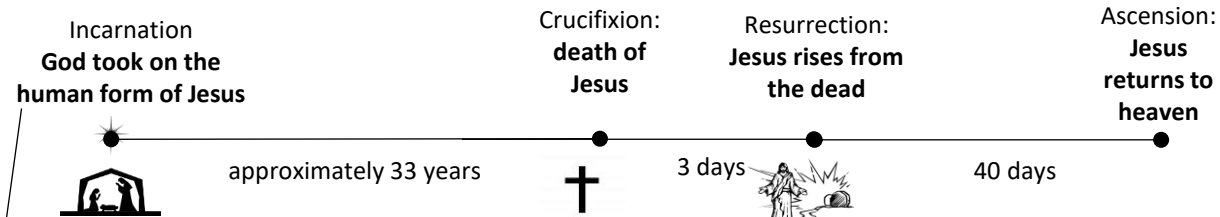
1.3 The Trinity

Trinity	God is one but also manifests itself into three Persons
The Father	First Person of the Trinity; God as the creator
The Son	Second Person of the Trinity: Jesus is believed to be God incarnate
The Holy Spirit	present and active on earth since the Pentecost

1.4. Beliefs about creation

creation	The world is God's loving creation.
'God said 'Let there be light', and there was light' (Genesis 1:3)	God created using words; shows his omnipotence
Word	Jesus
'In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God'	God the Son was involved in creation.

1.5: Timeline of the life of Jesus



1.6. beliefs about the afterlife

judgement	God will decide a person's afterlife
Day of Judgement	Jesus will come to judge the living or the dead
Parable of the Sheep and Goats	Describes how God judges people
Purgatory	where souls are cleansed in order to enter heaven
Resurrection	being raised from the dead ; afterlife

1.7. Beliefs about sin

Original sin	we all have the tendency to sin.
Free will	God gave humans the freedom to act as they wish

1.8. Salvation

Salvation	being saved from hell and sin
Salvation by grace	God chooses to save us even though we are sinners.
Salvation by law	saved by following the laws that God has given to us to avoid sinning.
Salvation by spirit	saved by listening to the Holy Spirit (our conscience)
Atonement	Jesus saved us by dying on the cross for our sins

