

# Why do Christians believe Jesus is the Messiah?

Key Vocabulary	
<b>Christianity</b>	The religion based on the person and teachings of Jesus Christ and its beliefs and practices.
<b>Jesus Christ</b>	The man who Christians believe was the son of God, and whose teachings are the basis of Christianity.
<b>Gospels</b>	The teaching of Christ through the books of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.
<b>Prophecy</b>	A prediction of what will happen in the future.
<b>Incarnation</b>	A person who embodies in the flesh a deity, spirit, or quality.
<b>Messiah</b>	In Judaism and Christianity, the promised "anointed one" or Christ; the Saviour.
<b>The Big Story</b>	A story of creation, fall, redemption, and restoration.

**Prior learning:**  
 Children will have learnt about the Big Story of the Bible.  
 Children will have learnt about Jesus Christ and what He means to Christianity.  
 Children will have learnt about Incarnation and why this is associated with Jesus Christ.

## Big Ideas Key Concepts



Key Learning Assessment		
I can...	✓	X
Explain the place of Incarnation and Messiah within the 'big story' of the Bible.		
Identify Gospel and prophecy texts, using technical terms.		
Explain connections between biblical texts, Incarnation and Messiah, using theological terms.		
Show how Christians put their beliefs about Jesus' Incarnation into practice in different ways in celebrating Christmas.		
Comment on how the idea that Jesus is the Messiah makes sense in the wider story of the Bible.		
Consider how far the idea of Jesus as the 'Messiah', a saviour from God, is important in the world today.		