

Year 4 RE Unit 3 Knowledge Organiser - The Life and Teachings of Jesus

New Testament Stories

Jesus' first visit to the Temple:

- Mary and Joseph took Jesus at 8 days old up to the Temple.
- They took a pair of birds to be sacrificed.
- An old man, called Simeon, stopped Mary and asked if he could hold her baby.
- Simeon said it was the happiest day of his life, he had seen the Messiah promised by God.
- He said he could die a happy man now that he had seen the baby.

Jesus in his Father's House:

- Jesus is 12 years old.
- He has travelled with Mary and Joseph to the Temple, on the way back they realised he was not with them.
- He was found discussing the Bible with wise Jewish men.
- When found he said "did you not know I would be in my Father's house?"

Jesus' Baptism:

- Jesus is now 30 years old.
- At the River Jordan, Jesus sees John the Baptist and asks him to baptise him. John says: *"Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world!"*
- When Jesus had been baptised, a white dove flew down and a voice from heaven said, *"This is my son. I am very pleased with him."*

Jesus is tempted:

- Immediately after his baptism Jesus goes into the wilderness, the desert, for 40 days and 40 nights. He does not eat or drink.
- The devil came to Jesus and tried to tempt him 3 times: first with bread, then to prove he was special by turning stones to bread, then to give him all the kingdoms to worship him.



Vocabulary

1 Prepare	To make something ready for use
2 John the Baptist	Jesus' cousin, Elizabeth's son
3 Sin	An act that is not morally right
4 Baptism	Christian act of admission to the church by sprinkling with or immersing in water
5 Tempt	To encourage someone to do something that is not right or unwise
6 Disciples	A follower of Christ in his life
7 Beatitudes	The blessings listed by Jesus in his Sermon on the Mount
8 Authority	The person who has power or control
9 Leprosy	Chronic infectious disease also called Hansen's disease, affecting the skin, the nerves, the mucus in the nose/throat and the eyes
10 Lazarus	A beggar that Jesus raised from the dead
11 Resurrection	The rising from the dead
12 Samaritan	A member of a people inhabiting Samaria in biblical times
13 Parables	A simple story used to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson
14 Repent	To feel or express sincere regret or remorse about one's wrongdoing or sin.
15 Beloved	A much loved person, dearly loved.
16 Transfiguration	A complete change of form or appearance into a more beautiful or spiritual state
17 Resisted	To refrain from having or doing something

Sermon on the Mount.

Jesus said 'a new kingdom is coming':
 Brothers, Andrew and Simon - fisher of people; Brothers, James and John - became disciples too
 Jesus reads Isaiah and says the 'words of the prophet Isaiah have come true': that he is the Messiah
 Jesus goes from place to place and he eats at Matthew the Tax Collector's house
 Beatitudes
 An eye for an eye/ turn the other cheek/love your enemies
 Give in secret
 The Lord's Prayer
 Do not store up treasures on earth but in heaven
 Do not worry about your life
 Do not judge others

The Miracles of Jesus

After the Sermon on the Mount, a leper knelt before Jesus and said Jesus could heal him - and he did.
 Other miracles:
 The Wedding at Cana - water into wine
 Sight to the blind
 Hearing to the deaf
 Healing of the Paralyse Man
 The Feeding of the Five Thousand - 5 loaves and 2 fish
 The Raising of Lazarus - "I am the Resurrection and the Life"

The Parables of Jesus - Stories about God and how people should live

The Good Samaritan - 'Love God with all your heart and love your neighbour as yourself'

The Prodigal Son

The Lost Sheep

Jesus was Jewish: Moses and Elijah and Mount Sinai were important to Jewish people in the Old Testament.

New Testament story of a mountain and the appearance of God: Peter, James and John went up with Jesus. Jesus' face shined and his clothes became the whitest white, like light. Jesus had been transfigured. Moses and Elijah appeared and talked with Jesus. 3 shrines were built on the mountain. A white cloud appeared, a voice in the cloud said '...this is my beloved son. Listen to him.' The Good Shepherd - Jesus will lay down his life for people.

Why are these stories important?

Baptism - turn to God.

Temptation - Jesus understands what it is to be human.

Miracles - the power of Jesus.

Christians believe that Jesus did not just teach about God, that he was God come into the world as a human. The miracles of Jesus prove that he was more than a human.

The Good Samaritan - teaches people to care for others, even their enemies the same way as they care for themselves.

The Prodigal Son - God will always welcome back a sinner, who asks for forgiveness and returns to God.

The Lost Sheep - God is the father who will never abandon his children and will always go looking for his children because he loves them.

The Transfiguration - Jesus connecting the Old and New Testaments, bringing together the Jewish Law and the prophets.

Christians believe that Jesus is the end of the Old Testament and the beginning of the New Testament.

The Good Shepherd - Jesus' love and care for his followers.

The parables teach Christians about God.