



Disaster Strikes

Christian Faiths and Values

Enquiry question: What does it mean to be a Christian?



1. Why is the Cross important in the Christian faith?

In Christianity the cross reminds Christians of God's act of love in Christ's sacrifice. The cross is a very important Christian symbol: it reminds Christians of how and why Jesus died. (Links to the Easter story- Jesus crucifixion)

2, 3 and 4. What does the Bible tell us about the Christians beliefs?

- The Bible records the teachings of Jesus during his life. These teachings give Christians guidance and instructions on how to live their life.
- It tells us about the friendship between Jesus and Judas along with forgiveness.
- 'Love your neighbour'-caring for others.
- Parable of the Lost Son'-God is a loving parent and we should love God.



5. How do these values from three stories expect the Christians to treat each other? They show we need to treat each other with kindness, respects, love and compassion.

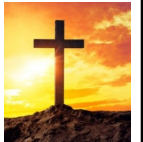


Key vocabulary

Symbol—an object/thing that represents or stands for something, for example this flag represents LGBT+



Cross— is a very important Christian symbol: it reminds Christians of how and why Jesus died.



Christians Values—A value is a principle or standard that is important to a Christians life. They do not change over time, they are consistent.

Commandments—These are a set of rules that Christians believe they should follow to live a good life.



Creator—God is the creator and the giver of all life: 'In the beginning God created the Heavens and the Earth. ...' All Christians believe that God created everything and is still involved with the world in a mysterious way.

God—Christians believe that there is only one God, whom they call Father as Jesus Christ taught them. They recognise Jesus as the son of God.

Prayer— Prayer is the means by which Christians communicate with their God. The New Testament records that Jesus taught his disciples how to pray and that he encouraged them to address God as *Father*

Fish— is a Christian symbol. This comes from the Greek Symbol IXOYE which means *Jesus Christ, son of God, saviour.*

