

Wellesley Park Primary School – Religions Education

Topic Unit 11: What do Christians believe about God & Incarnation? (Links with Christmas)

Year 5 Autumn term

Essential Core (Summary of unit)

- I will know that the nativity is found in two **gospels**: Matthew (ch 1-2) and Luke (ch 1-2) and that the two accounts are told from different viewpoints (Mary and Joseph's).
- I will know that the Bible account of the virgin birth supports the Christian belief that Jesus is both human and divine.
- I will know that the nativity of Jesus concerns the incarnation of Jesus: literally "become flesh".
- I will be able to identify how the belief that Jesus is "God is with us" helps a Christian in daily life.
- I will understand that Christians believe that "God is love" (1 John 4.8) – compassionate, all knowing (omniscient), everywhere at once (omnipresent), all powerful (almighty), pure, set apart (holy).
- I will understand that God loves His creation, and everything is created in harmony. Humans have a duty to care for God's creation. They are the stewards of creation.

What should I already Know?

- Stories covered: The Creation story, Storm on the Lake, Baptism of Jesus, Healing Jairus' daughter, feeding 5000, healing the paralysed man, transfiguration of Jesus.
- Christians find out about what God is like and how he wants people to live from the Bible.
- Recognise the order of the key events in the Biblical narrative.
- Christians believe that God always has time for people.
- The feeding of the 5000 is a special story for Christians. It teaches that God can do incredible things with even the little things we give to Him.



Important Facts

- The Christmas story is found in two books of the Bible. Matthew's Gospel is traditionally accepted as written by Jesus' disciple Matthew, one of the Twelve Disciples.
- The four books about Jesus' life were written by Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.
- Incarnation is the belief that Jesus Christ is fully human and fully God.
- Christians pray because they believe that Jesus is with them to listen and to help.
- The traditional teaching of the Christian Church is that the Virgin Birth is one way of showing that Jesus is the Son of God.
- Christians believe that when Jesus was on earth, he was fully God and yet fully human too.
- Christians believe that God has given humans free will - we can make our own choices, good or bad.
- Christians also believe that the Bible and our own conscience are there to guide us, because they believe that God wants us all to make good choices.
- Jesus told the parable of the sheep and the goats to explain of a day to come when God will judge everyone, rewarding those who do good and punishing those who do not.
- Jesus was saying that when people stand before God at the end of their lives, God will expect them to have worked hard as **stewards** of what He has put into their care.

Vocabulary

WORD	Meaning	Image
Gospel	The books included in the Bible.	
Omniscient	Knowing everything.	
Omnipresent	Present everywhere at the same time.	
Stewards	A person responsible for looking after something or someone.	

