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Christianity: Beliefs & Teachings

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Beliefs and teachings

- The nature of God:
 - the oneness of God and the Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- Different Christian beliefs about creation including the role of Word and Spirit (John 1:1–3 and Genesis 1:1–3).
- Different Christian beliefs about the afterlife and their importance, including: resurrection and life after death; judgement, heaven and hell.
- Beliefs and teachings about:
 - the crucifixion, resurrection and ascension
 - the means of salvation, including law, grace and Spirit
 - the role of Christ in salvation including the idea of atonement.

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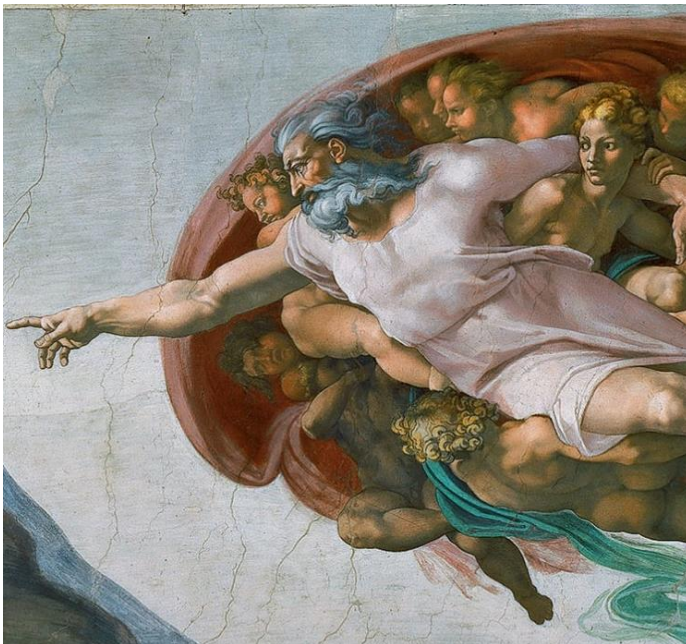
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The nature of God



Objectives

- Understand the importance of Christianity as a world faith.
- Consider what Christians believe about the nature of God.

Key terms

God: the Supreme Being

Denomination: a distinct group within the Christian faith, with its own organisation and tradition

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1.1 The nature of God



Catholic, Orthodox and **Protestant**

Different **denominations** but their belief in God is universal.

Catholic: a branch of Christianity, based in Rome and led by the Pope

Orthodox: a branch of Christianity mainly, but not entirely, practised in Eastern Europe

Protestant: A branch of Christianity, originally protesters were called by this name because they protested against some of the practices of the Catholic Church; there are many protestant denominations but they agree on the central belief that the Bible is the only authority for Christians

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1.1 The nature of God

Many text books represent God by use this unhelpful picture by Michelangelo (not the TMNT). The God of the Bible couldn't be more different to one that you often find in textbooks; a bearded old bloke flying through the sky.

The big problem comes when you try to describe what God is like and what he can do. The Bible using words like 'father', 'King' and 'creator'. However, these words are limited by what we think a father or king is like.



They are never going to correctly convey what God's true nature is like. Whilst I may be happy to describe God as megatastic, the Bible uses the word '**HOLY**'.

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1.1 The nature of God

	Specimen 1	Specimen 2	Short course specimen	2018	2019	2020	2021
Nature of God	Give two qualities which Christians believe describe the nature of God. (2)		Which one of the following expresses the belief that, in Jesus, God became a man? (1)	Which one of the following describes the meaning of the word 'omnipotent'? (1)		Which one of the following is not part of God's nature? (1)	'For Christians, it is impossible to understand the nature of God.' (12)

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1.2 God as omnipotent, loving and just



Objectives

- Understand some qualities of God
- Consider to what extent these qualities of God can be found in human beings.
- Consider the problem of evil and suffering in relation to the qualities of God.

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1.2 God as omnipotent, loving and just

Omnipotent: almighty, having unlimited power.

'Nothing is impossible with God'

Luke 1:37

Benevolent: all-loving, all-good.

Justice: bring about what is right and fair, according to the law, or making up for a wrong that has been committed.

'Therefore the LORD longs to be gracious to you,
And therefore He waits on high to have compassion
on you For the LORD is a God of justice; How
blessed are all those who long for Him.' *Isaiah 30:18*

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1.2 God as omnipotent, loving and just

A lot of people understandably ask the question, “Why do bad things happen to good people?” There is no easy answer to this question.



It doesn't matter who you are, “good” or “bad”, suffering will happen. It falls on us all from time to time – just like the rain.

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1.2 God as omnipotent, loving and just

Sometimes we go through times of suffering and we can find out later on that there was a purpose to that suffering...



But sometimes we cannot understand why that suffering has occurred.

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1.2 God as omnipotent, loving and just

In the book of Job we see Job and his friends wrestling with the question of why a God who is wise and just let such horrible things happen to an innocent man. It's a question that God Himself answers, though not in the direct way Job was expecting. Instead, God takes Job on a virtual tour of the universe, giving him a tiny window into all the complexity of which God is in control. In doing this, God is showing Job that his suffering is just one tiny part of an infinitely large cosmic scheme that God is controlling through His wisdom.



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1.1 The nature of God

God as loving
and just

'If God were loving,
there would be no
suffering in the
world.' (12)

Explain two ways in
which the belief that
God is just
influences Christians
today. (4)

'A loving God would
not send anyone to
hell.' (12)

'God cannot be
loving because
people suffer.' (12)

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1.3 The oneness of God and the Trinity



Objectives

- Understand and analyse the concepts of the Oneness of God and the trinity.
- Evaluate what may seem to be conflicting ideas about God.

Add the following key terms to your glossary:

Key terms

Trinity: the belief that there are three persons in the One God; the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are separate, but are also one in being.

Holy Spirit: the third person of the trinity whom Christians believe is the inspiring presence in the world

Son of God: a title used for Jesus, the second person of the Trinity; denotes the special relationship between Jesus and God the Father

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1.3 The Oneness of God and the Trinity

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Church History

0.1 Creed

What is a Creed?

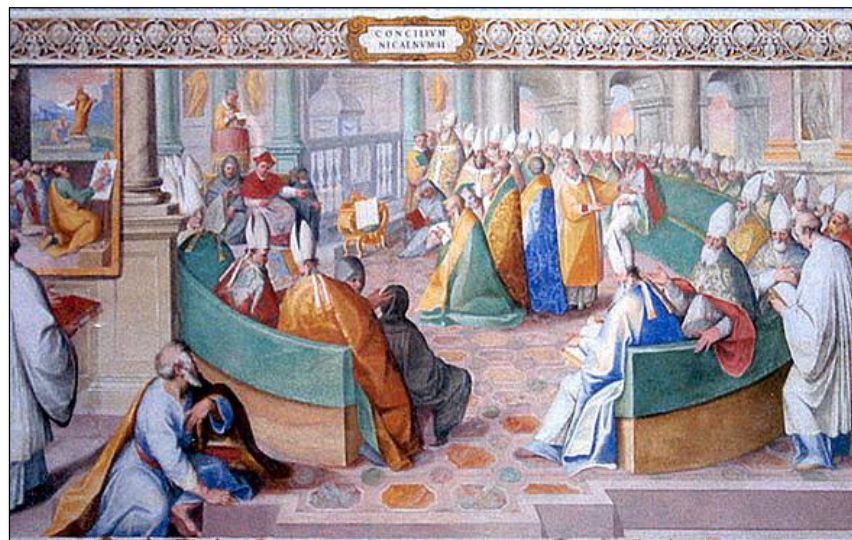
Key terms

Creed: a statement of belief

Identity

The Nicene Creed

In 325AD the First Council of Nicene meet together to establish what the Christian Church believed. This creed is recited in Churches throughout the world today.



What do you think the three most important beliefs in the Christian faith are?

*The importance of
the Trinity*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father [and the Son]. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. AMEN.

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The creation of the world

In the beginning **God** created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the **Spirit** of God was hovering over the waters.....

Then **God** said, “Let **us** make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”



The baptism of Jesus

At that time **Jesus** came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the **Spirit** descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “**You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.**”



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1.3 The Oneness of God and the Trinity

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The Holy Spirit

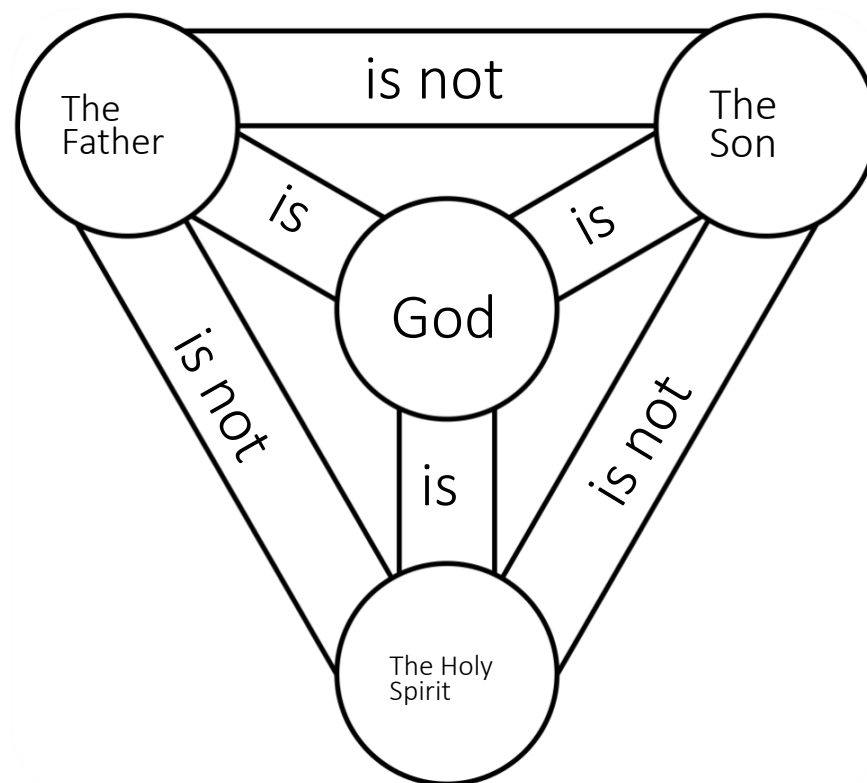
Is not

The Father

Or

The Son

But is God



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1.3 The Oneness of God and the Trinity

Trinity

Which one of the following is the idea that God is three-in-one? (1)

Give two ways in which Christians believe the Holy Spirit is at work in the world. (2)

Give two Christian beliefs about salvation. (2)

Explain two ways in which belief in the Trinity influences Christians today. (4)

Give two Christian beliefs about God's creation of the world. (2)

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1.4 Different Christian beliefs about creation



Objectives

- Understand different Christian beliefs about how the earth was **created**.
- Link Christian beliefs about **creation** with beliefs about the **Trinity**.

Add the following key terms to your glossary

Key terms

creation: the act by which God brought the universe into being

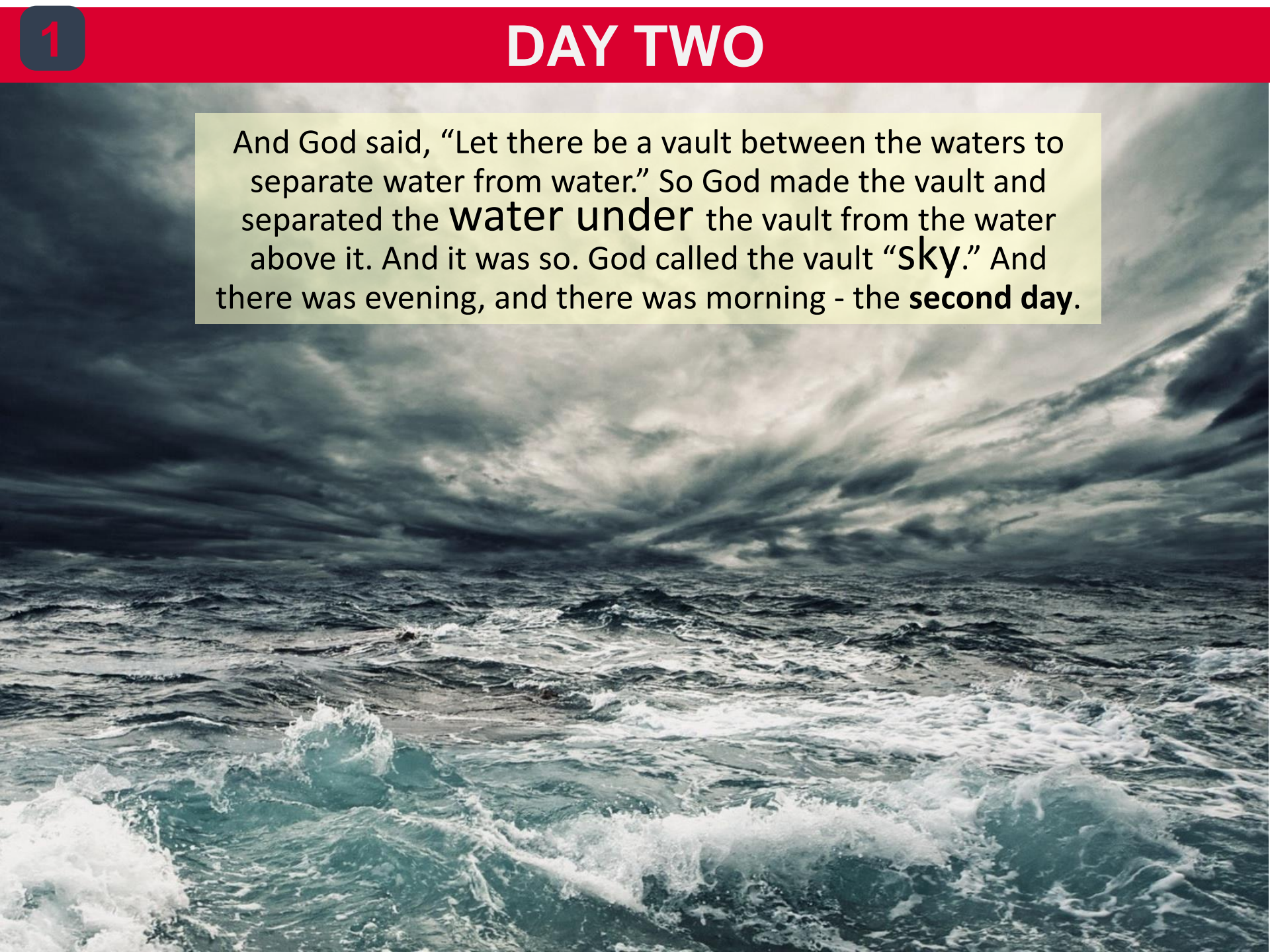
The Word: term used at the beginning of John's gospel to refer to the Son of God

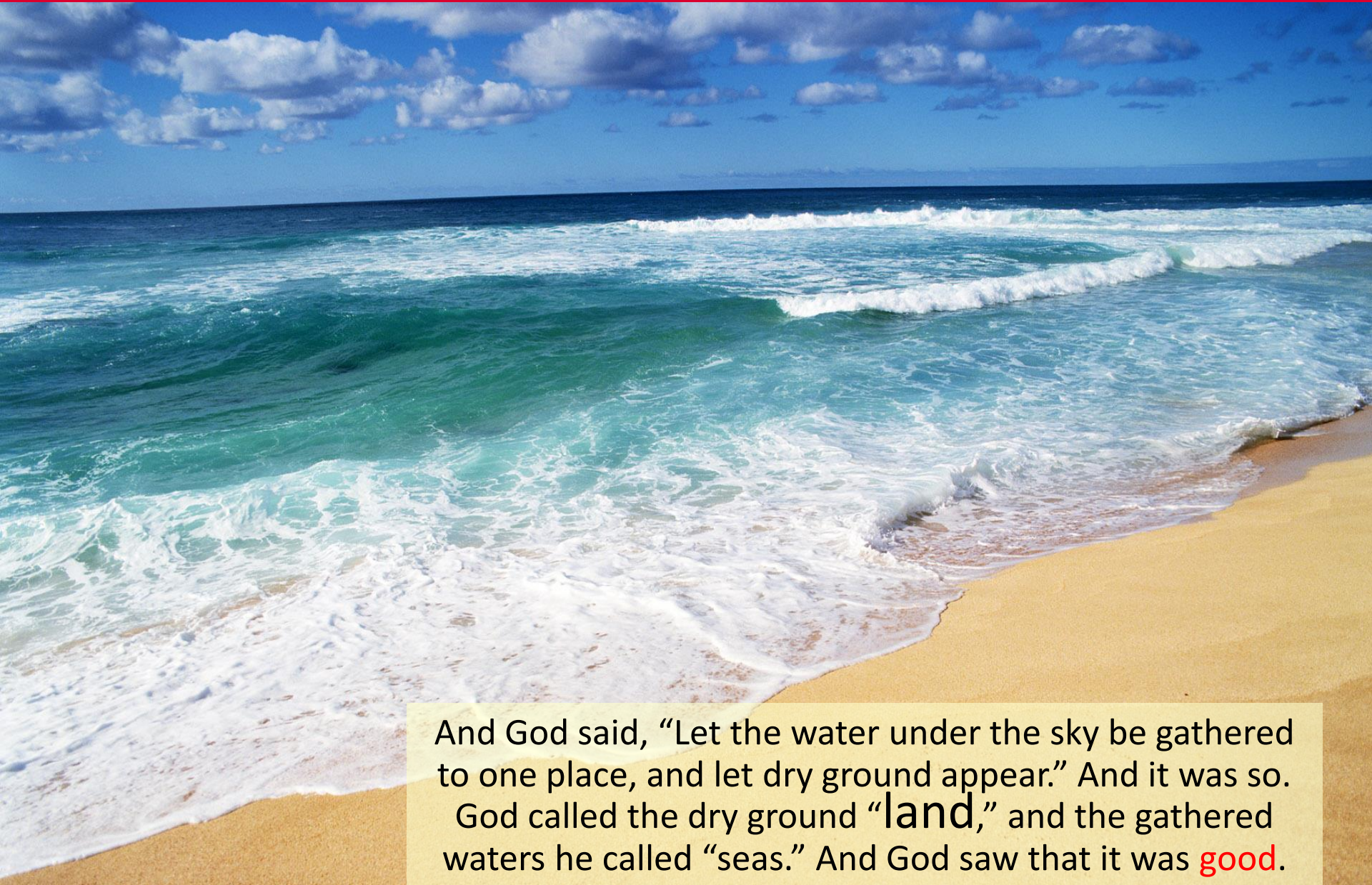
Genesis 1:1

“In the beginning God created the Heavens and the Earth.”


And God said, “**Let there be light,**” and there was light. God saw that the light was **good**, and he separated the light from the darkness. God called the light “day,” and the darkness he called “night.” And there was evening, and there was morning - the **first day**.

And God said, “Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water.” So God made the vault and separated the **water under** the vault from the water above it. And it was so. God called the vault “**sky.**” And there was evening, and there was morning - the **second day.**

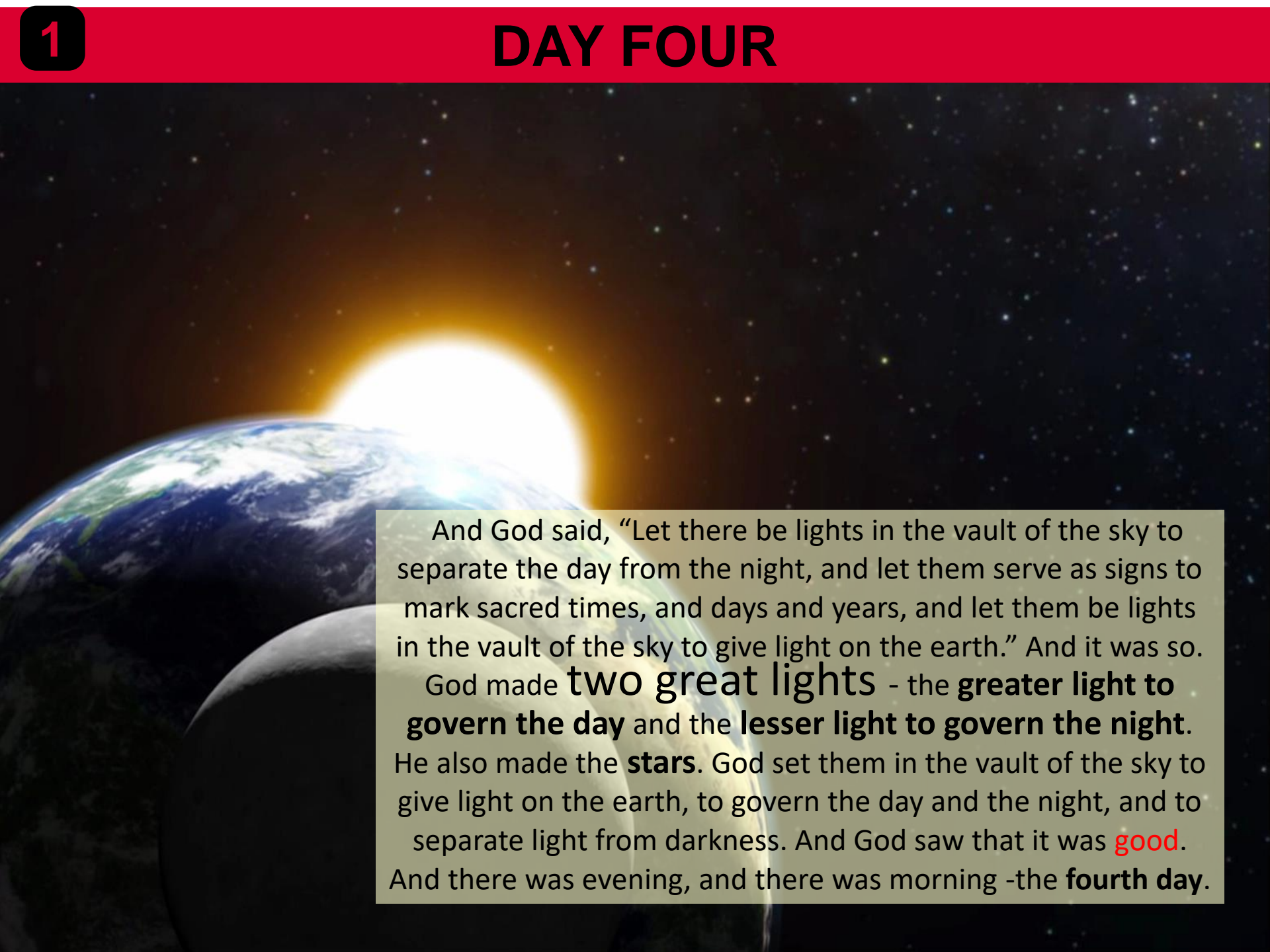




And God said, “Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear.” And it was so. God called the dry ground “**land**,” and the gathered waters he called “seas.” And God saw that it was **good**.



Then God said, “Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds.” And it was so. The land produced vegetation: **plants** bearing seed according to their kinds and **trees** bearing **fruit** with seed in it according to their kinds. And God saw that it was **good**. And there was evening, and there was morning - the **third day**.


A composite image of Earth and the Moon in space with the Sun in the background. The Sun is a bright, glowing orb in the upper center, casting a warm, golden light. The Earth is visible on the left, showing blue oceans and white clouds. The Moon is in the foreground, partially obscuring the Earth. The background is a dark, starry sky.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years, and let them be lights in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth.” And it was so.

God made **two great lights** - the **greater light to govern the day** and the **lesser light to govern the night**. He also made the **stars**. God set them in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth, to govern the day and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God saw that it was **good**. And there was evening, and there was morning -the **fourth day**.



And God said, “Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the vault of the sky.” So God created the **great creatures of the sea** and every living thing with which the water teems and that moves about in it, according to their kinds, and every **winged bird** according to its kind. And God saw that it was **good**. God blessed them and said, “Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let the birds increase on the earth.” And there was evening, and there was morning—the **fifth day**.



And God said, “Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the **creatures that move along the ground**, and the wild animals, each according to its kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was **good**.

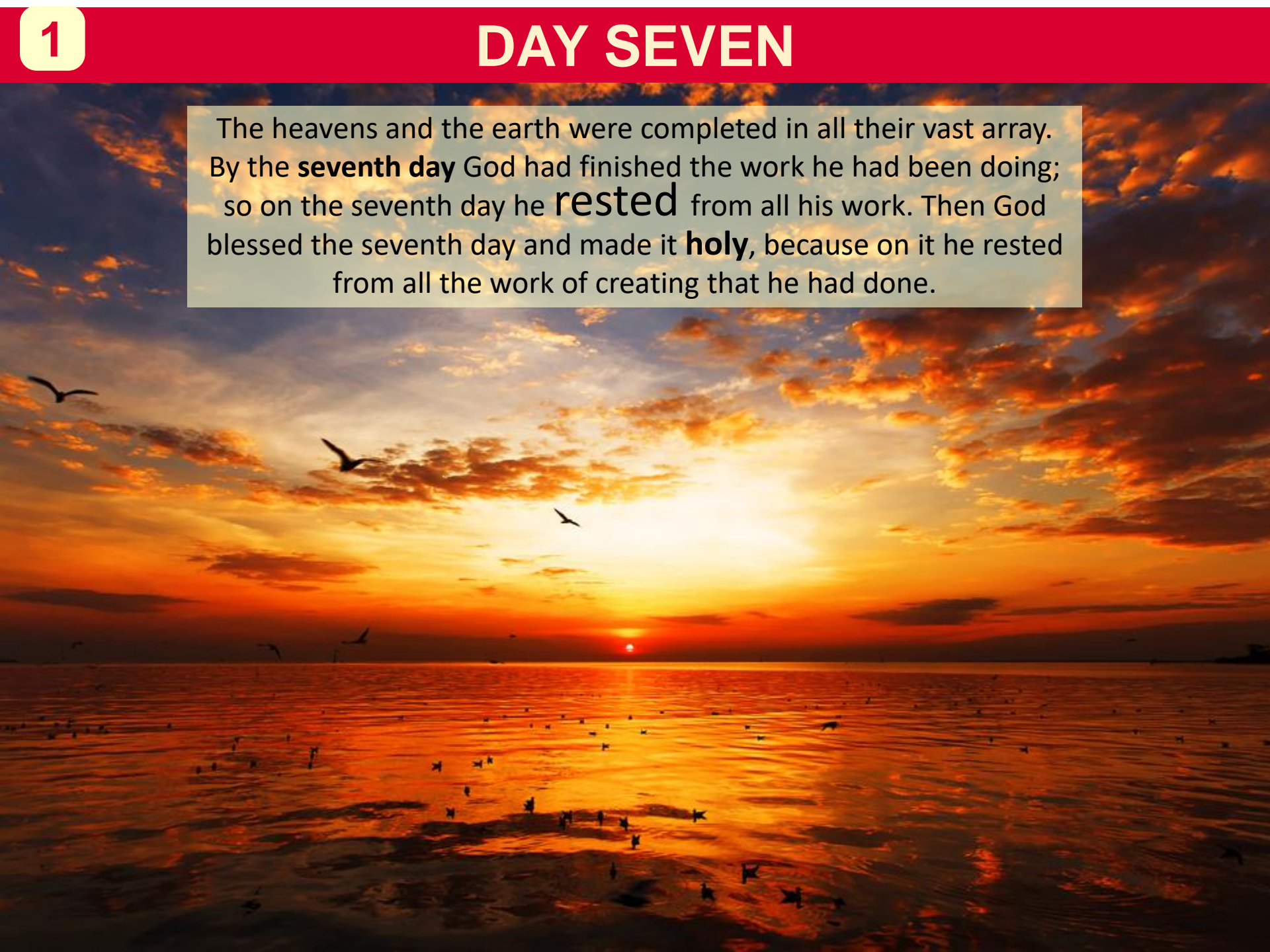
... So God created **mankind** in his own image,
in the image of God he created them; male and
female he created them...

God saw all that he had made, and it was very **good**.
And there was evening, and there was morning -
the **sixth day**.



DAY SEVEN

The heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array. By the **seventh day** God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he **rested** from all his work. Then God blessed the seventh day and made it **holy**, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.



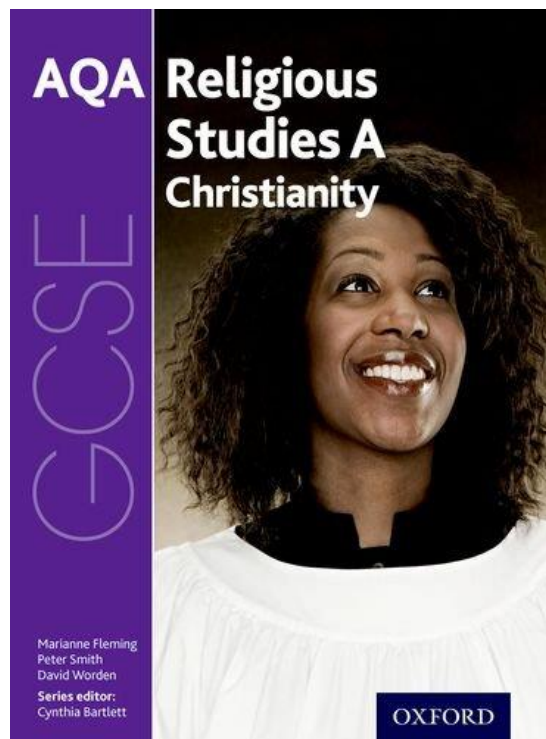
Jews believe that God is the creator of absolutely everything.

This is largely the same as Christianity, except for the issue of evil. Whereas Christians believe that the source of evil is the devil, Jews believe that evil was also created by God.

'I am the LORD and there is none else, I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe -
I the LORD do all these things.'

Isaiah 45:6-7

Read pages 14-15 in the textbook
This Bible verse is really important.



The Word Became Flesh

1 In the beginning was the **Word**, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was with God in the beginning. **3** Through him all things were made; **without him nothing was made** that has been made.

1 John 1:1-3

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1.4 Different Christian beliefs about Creation

Creation	Which one of the following is the book in the Bible in which the story of Creation can be found (1)	The Bible tells Christians all they need to know about God's creation.' (12)	Explain two ways in which belief about creation influences Christians today. (4)
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1.5 The incarnation and Jesus, the Son of God



Objectives

- Know and understand the incarnation of Jesus.
- Understand the belief that Jesus is the Son of God.

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1.5 The incarnation and Jesus, the Son of God

Incarnation. Here is a clue...



chilli con **carne**
chilli with **meat/flesh**



Carnivore
Flesh-eater/meat-eater

Add the following key terms to your glossary

Key terms

incarnation: becoming flesh, taking a human form

resurrection: 1. rising from the dead; 2. Jesus rising from the dead on Easter day. An event recording in all four gospels and the central belief of Christianity

blasphemy: a religious offence which includes claiming to be a God

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1.5 The incarnation and Jesus, the Son of God

Fully God

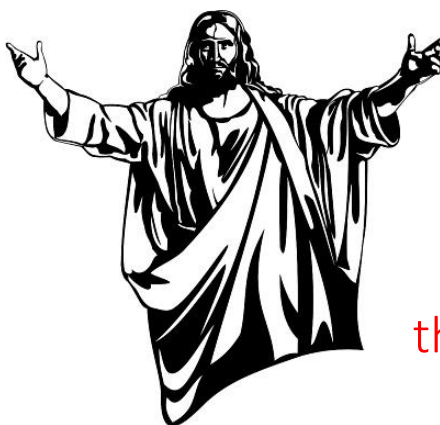
Mark 4:41 The wind and waves obey him. This shows that he is God because he can break the rules of nature.

Mark 6:41-44 Jesus feeds 5000 with 5 loaves and 2 fish. This shows he is God because he can break the laws of nature.

Matthew 8:3 Jesus Heals a man with leprosy – only God could do this.

John 20:28 Thomas calls Jesus “My Lord and my God”

John 11:38-44 Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead. Only God could do this.



Fully man

John 11:35 Jesus wept. This shows he felt emotions like all humans

Mark 6:3 Jesus has a job and a mother and brothers and sisters

John 4:6 Jesus was tired, this shows that he has a human body

Luke 2:7 Jesus had a normal human birth

Mark 14:34 Jesus felt distress and sorrow like every other human

Luke 23:46 Jesus died

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1.5 The incarnation and Jesus, the Son of God

GOD

God is spirit

MAN

Man is physical

JESUS

Jesus was fully God
and
fully man

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1.5 The incarnation and Jesus, the Son of God

Incarnation

Explain two Christian teachings about the incarnation. (5)

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1.6 The crucifixion

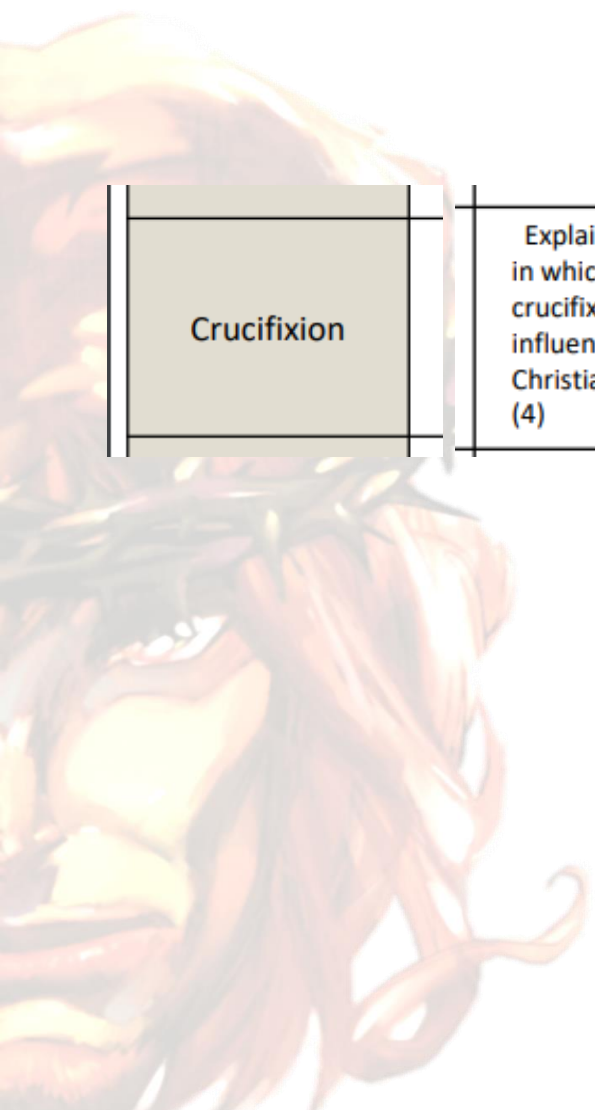


Key term

crucifixion: 1. Roman method of execution by which criminals were fixed to a cross;
2. the execution and death of Jesus on Good Friday

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The crucifixion



Crucifixion	Explain two ways in which Jesus' crucifixion influences Christians today. (4)			Give two Christian beliefs about Jesus' crucifixion. (2)
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1.7 The resurrection and ascension

Key terms

ascension: the event, 40 days after the resurrection, when Jesus returned to God, the Father, in heaven

heaven: a state of eternal happiness in the presence of God; the place of eternal peace ruled over by God

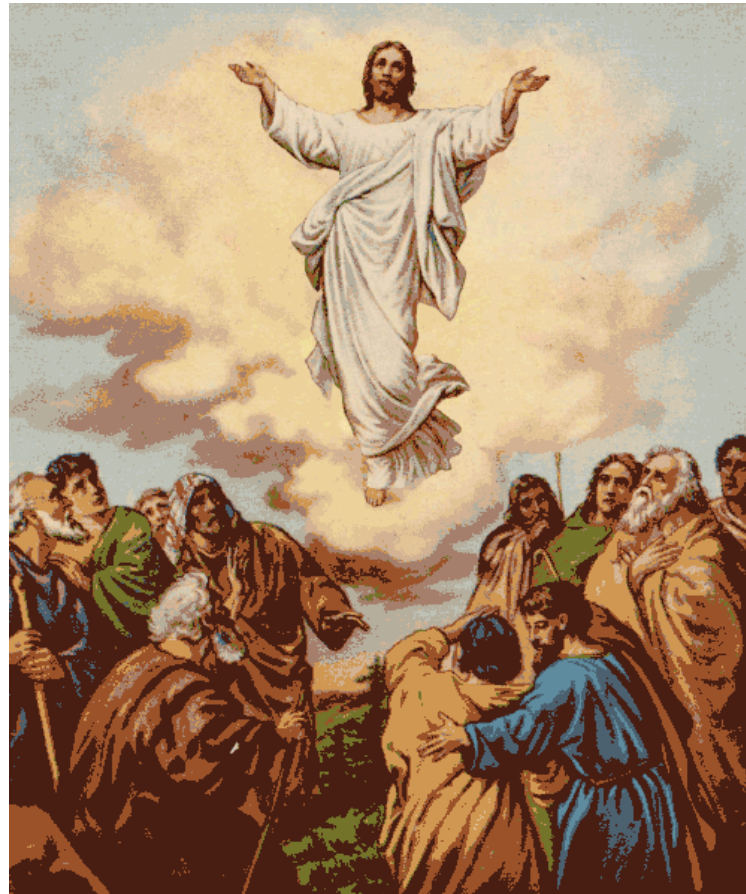
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1.7 The resurrection and ascension

“The ascension never happened! It is impossible”

Do you agree? Explain your answer, show that you have considered more than one point-of-view.



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1.7 The resurrection and ascension

Resurrection /
Ascension

Explain two ways in which belief in the resurrection of Jesus influences Christians today (4)

Give two reasons why the disciples' believed Jesus was alive after his Resurrection? (2)

Give two Christian beliefs about Jesus' Ascension. (2)

'The resurrection of the dead is the most important Christian belief.' (12)

Which one of the following is the Christian belief that Jesus returned to heaven at the end of his life on earth? (1)

Christianity would not exist if Jesus had not risen from the dead.' (12)

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**AFTERLIFE
JUDGEMENT
RESURRECTION
LIFE AFTER DEATH
HEAVEN AND HELL
THE ROLE OF CHRIST IN
SALVATION
SIN**



Key terms

Afterlife: what Christians believe follows life on earth

Day of Judgement: a time when the world will end and every soul will be judged by God and rewarded or punished.



Key terms

heaven: a state of eternal happiness in the presence of God; the place of eternal peace ruled over by God

hell: a place of eternal suffering or the state of being without God

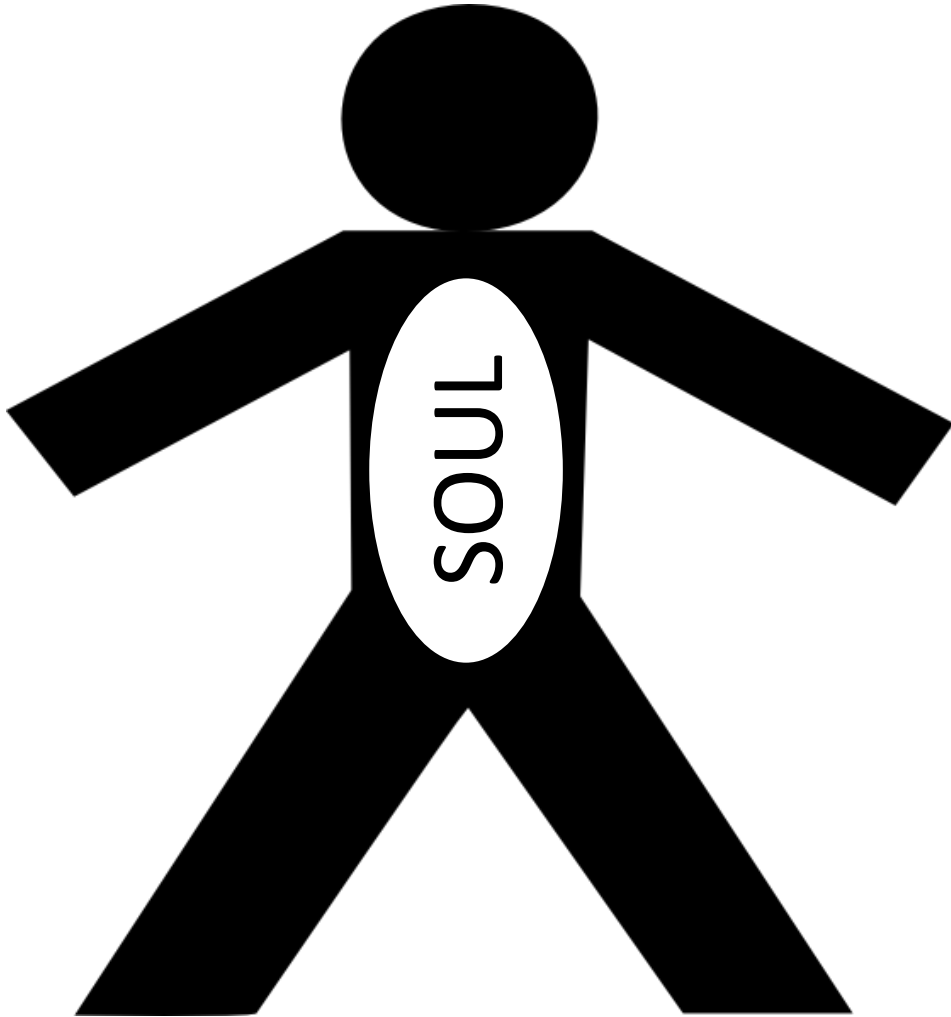
purgatory: the intermediate state where souls are cleansed in order to enter heaven

Satan: name for the Devil – the power and source of evil.

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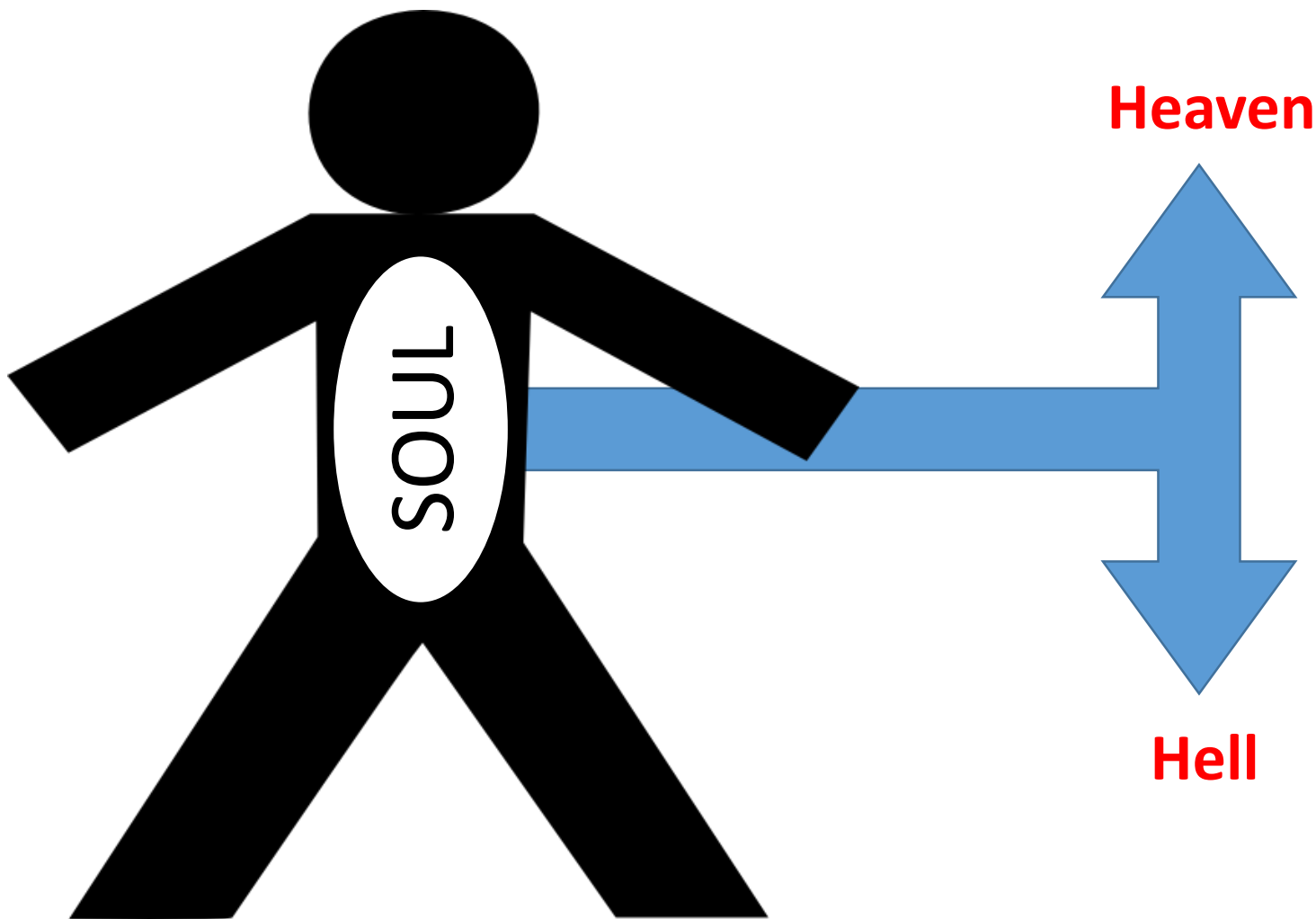
Some Christians believe that you have a body and a **soul**.



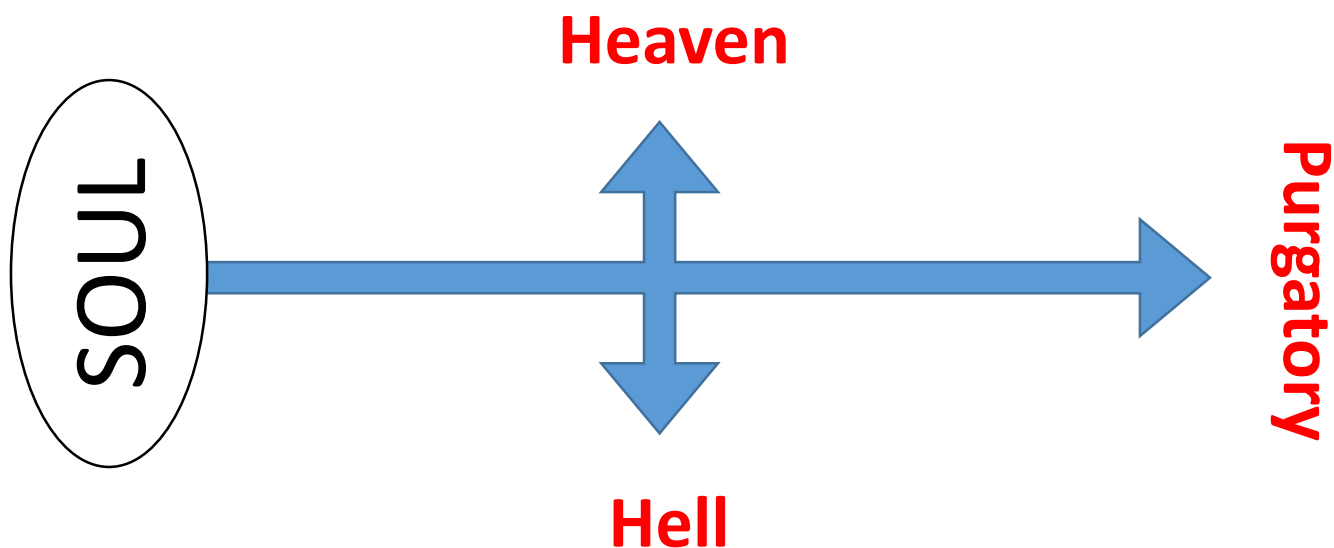
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...but your soul, the real you, this lives on forever, even in **heaven** or **hell** and according to the Bible, there is no other place it can go.



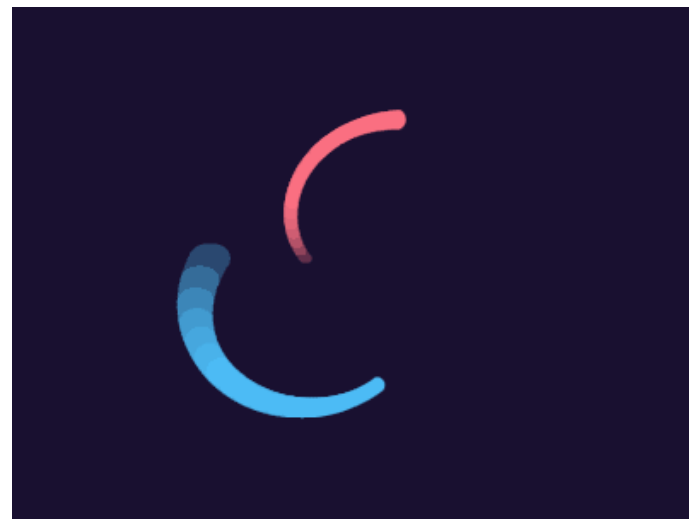
Catholics do believe in an intermediate state called **purgatory**, where the souls of Christians wait to receive a place in **heaven** – but there is absolutely no mention of this in the Bible.



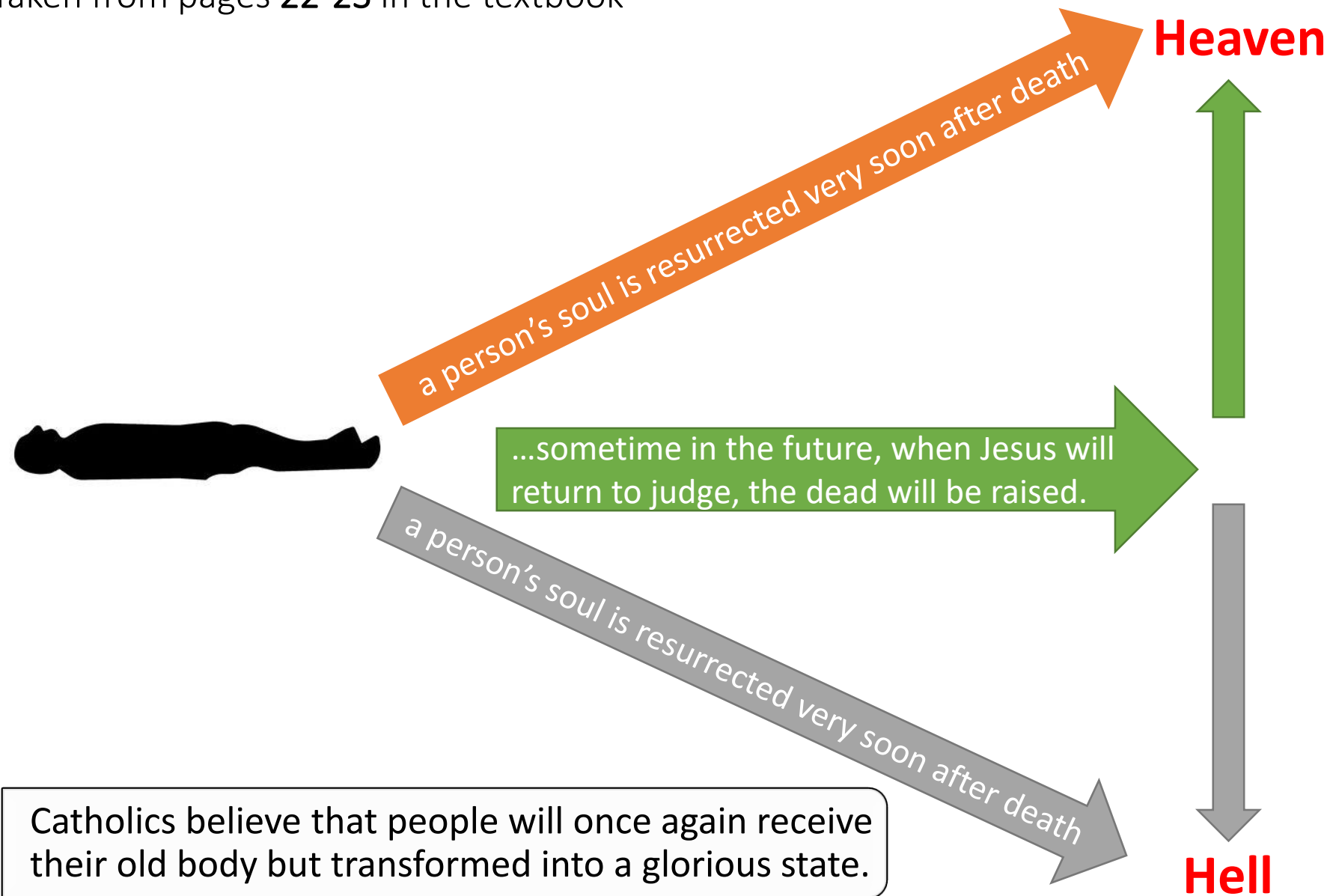
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Some Christians believe that **Heaven** is a physical place
... and some think that it is a spiritual place.



Taken from pages 22-23 in the textbook



The parable of the sheep and goats



Read page 25

The Sheep and the Goats

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

“Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

“Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

“The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’

“They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’

“He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’

“Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

Key terms

salvation: saving the soul, deliverance from sin and admission to Heaven brought around by Jesus

The parable of the sheep and goats

Explain why this is could be teaching, 'Salvation by works.'

Draw a illustration explaining this parable.



"I am the way the truth and the life. No ones comes to the Father except through me"
John 14:6

What does this Bible verse mean?

**Sin and
Judgement**

Explain two
Christian teachings
about judgement
(5)

Give two Christian
teachings about
original sin. (2)

Explain two Christian
beliefs about the
causes of sin. (5)

Explain two ways in
which belief in hell
influences
Christians today.
(4)

Explain two
Christian teachings
about sin. (5)

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SIN**

What would you imagine **heaven** to be like?



What would you imagine **hell** to be like?

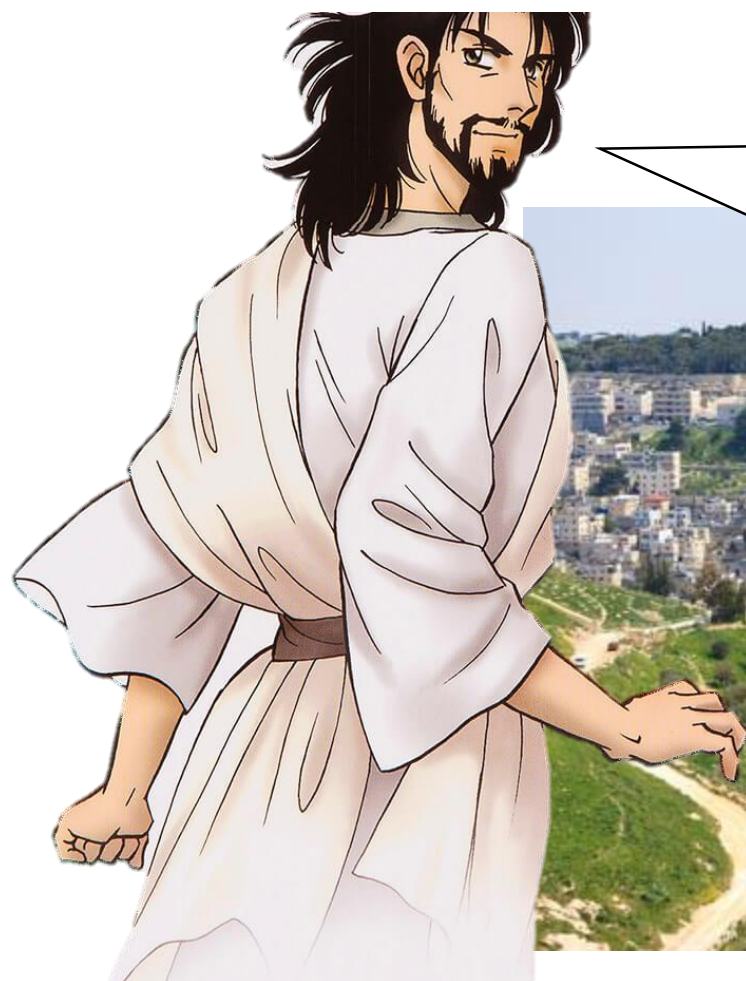


- We should note that another word for hell in the Bible is Gehenna
This was a dump outside Jerusalem where they burnt waste day and night and there was no shortage of food for worms!

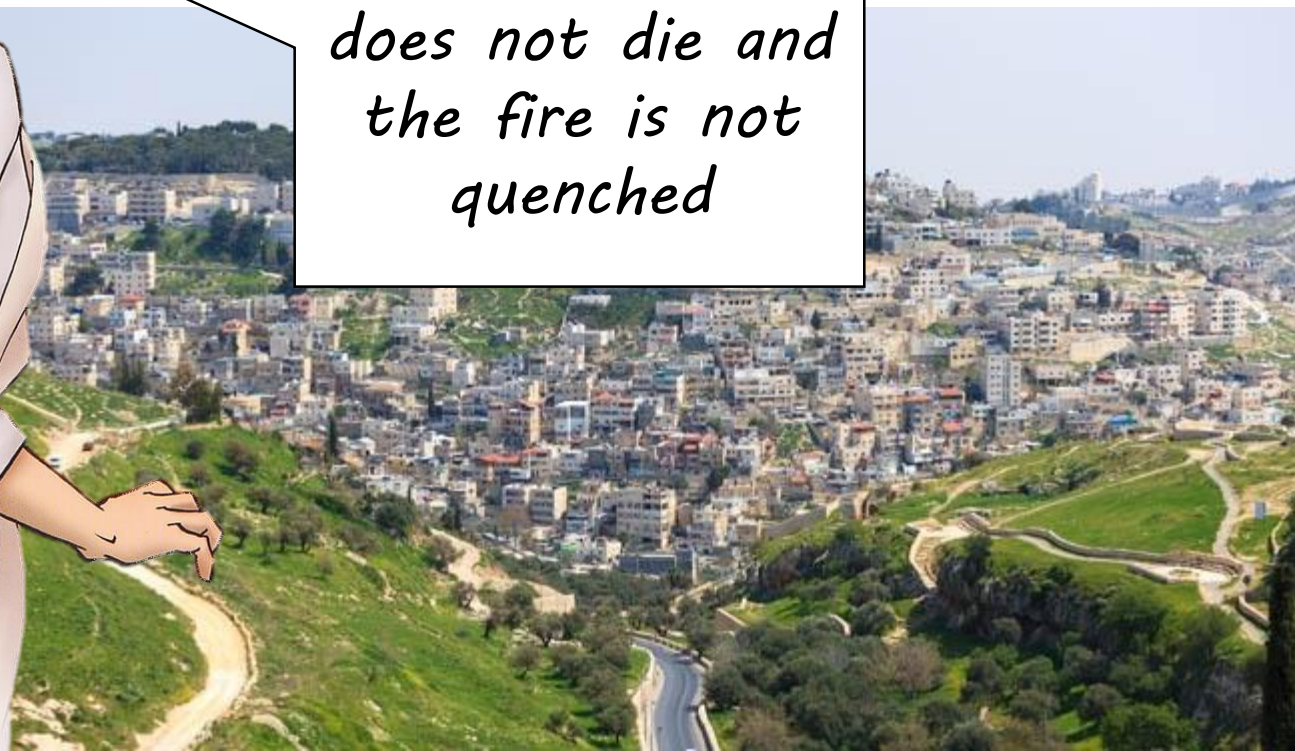


*Where the worm
does not die and
the fire is not
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So Jesus may have been saying that **hell** is a *physically* painful place, or just implying that it is somewhere you would not want to be!



But the most painful thing he ever experienced, was on the cross when he was separated from God the Father.

So some Christians think that **hell** is not *physical*, but *spiritual* separation from God.

sin:

1. Any action or thought that separates humans from God;
2. Behaviour which is against God's laws and wishes or principles of morality



original sin: an Augustine Christian doctrine that says that everyone is born with a built-in urge to do bad things and to disobey God; an important doctrine within the Catholic Church



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Justification by Faith

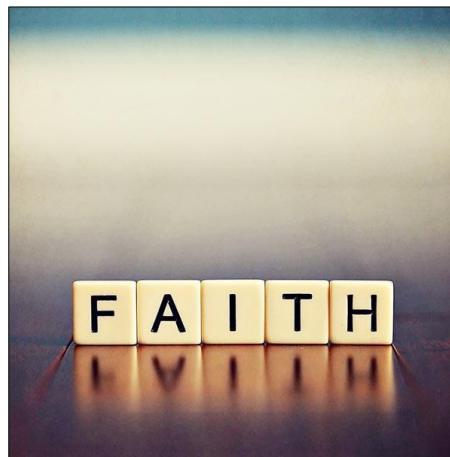
Remember this...

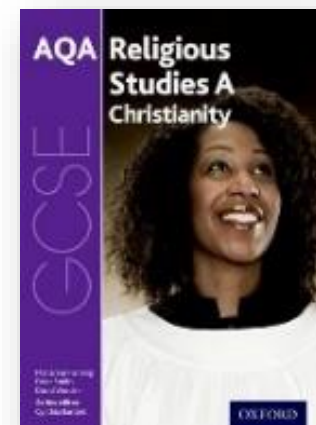
‘For we conclude that a man is put right with God through faith and not by doing what the Law commands’.

Roman 3:28

What does this mean?

Until he had read this verse, Martin thought that his life as a Christian was doomed to failure because he could not keep the laws that were written in the Bible. St Paul's teaching in this verse made him realise that it is through faith in God that enables people to be saved, not keeping all the laws. All that was needed was a faith in Jesus. This understanding of Luther's became known as 'justification by faith'. It did not matter how many good things a person did that enabled them to be with God, it was just their faith.





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grace: a quality of God which God shows to humans by providing love and support which they do not need to earn

Part 1: The study of religions

1 Christianity



**AFTERLIFE
JUDGEMENT
RESURRECTION
LIFE AFTER DEATH
HEAVEN AND HELL
THE ROLE OF CHRIST IN
SALVATION
SIN**

Two means of salvation



“For it is by **grace** you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God not by works, so that no one can boast.”

Ephesians 2:8-9

The Death of Jesus

At noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And at three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” (which means “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”).

When some of those standing near heard this, they said, “Listen, he’s calling Elijah.”

Someone ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. “Now leave him alone. Let’s see if Elijah comes to take him down,” he said.

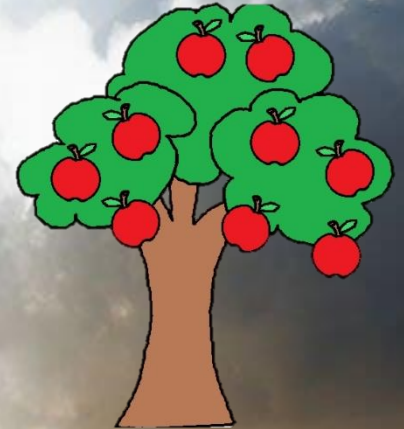
With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last.

The curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. And when the centurion, who stood there in front of Jesus, saw how he died, he said, “Surely this man was the Son of God!”



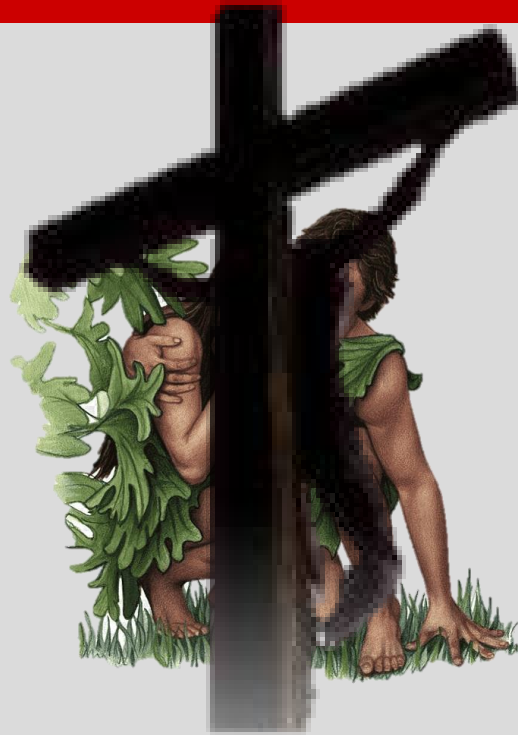


³⁸ The curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.



Adam and Eve ate fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil

SIN & DEATH





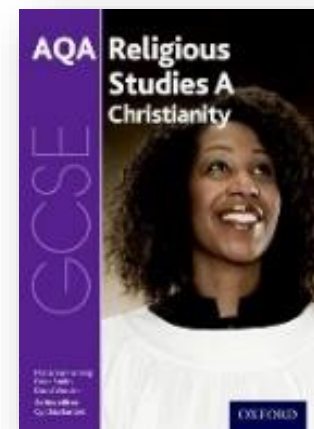
Some Christians believe in original sin. This is the idea that because Adam and Eve sinned, and everyone who has been born since has been born with an in-built tendency to do wrong.

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PROTECTED BY
THE BLOOD OF
THE LAMB

Exodus 12:21-28



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atonement: Restoring the relationship between people and God through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus

forgiveness: Showing grace and mercy and pardoning someone for what they have done wrong

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Christianity

Salvation and
the role of
Christ

'The best way for
Christians to achieve
salvation is by
following the law of
God.' (12)

Which one of the
following means to
restore the
relationship between
a person
and God? (1)

Which one of the
following is not a
means of salvation?
(1)

Explain two
Christian beliefs
about the role of
Jesus Christ in
salvation. (5)


THE INCARNATION

Christianity Beliefs and Teachings

Define the key term			In my words...	
	point	explain / evidence	point	explain / evidence
Give two Christian beliefs about the incarnation.	1.		2.	
Explain two Christian beliefs about the incarnation.	1.		2.	
Explain two way in which the incarnation influences Christians today.	1.		2.	
Explain four reasons why the incarnation is an important belief.	1.		2.	
Draw a symbol	3.		4.	

THE INCARNATION

Christianity Beliefs and Teachings

Define the key term	"becoming flesh"		In my words... God in a bod	
	point	explain / evidence	point	explain / evidence
Give two Christian beliefs about the incarnation.	1. Jesus was fully God.		2. Jesus was fully man.	
Explain two Christian beliefs about the incarnation.	1. Jesus was fully God.	He was able to perform miracles. In the Bible he healed the man with leprosy.	2. Jesus was fully man.	He lived in a human body and lived a human life. In the Bible he showed emotion and got tired.
Explain two way in which the incarnation influences Christians today.	1. They believe that Jesus was fully God.	This influences them to pray to him because he has God's power	2. They believe that Jesus was fully man.	This makes them feel close to him because he knows what it's like to be human
Explain four reasons why the incarnation is an important belief.	1. It shows God's love. He sent his son to live and die for humans.		2. It shows what God is like. The Bible says that Jesus is God in human form.	
Draw a symbol FG  FM	3. Jesus has to be fully God. Or he would not have been able to forgive sins.		4. Jesus has to be fully man. Or he could not have been humanity's substitute on the cross.	


THE CRUCIFIXION

Christianity Beliefs and Teachings

Define the key term			In my words...	
	point	explain / evidence	point	explain / evidence
Give two Christian beliefs about the crucifixion.	1.		2.	
Explain two Christian beliefs about the crucifixion.	1.		2.	
Explain two way in which the crucifixion influences Christians today.	1.		2.	
Explain four reasons why the crucifixion is an important belief.	1.		2.	
Draw a symbol	3.		4.	

THE CRUCIFIXION

Christianity Beliefs and Teachings

Define the key term	The execution of Jesus by the Romans believed by Christians to provide atonement for the sins of humanity		In my words... The death of Jesus that forgives sins and mends our relationship with God	
	point	explain / evidence	point	explain / evidence
Give two Christian beliefs about the crucifixion.	1. It provided atonement for the sins of humanity		2. It shows God's benevolence for humans	
Explain two Christian beliefs about the crucifixion.	1. It provided atonement for the sins of humanity	When Jesus died the temple curtain tore in two showing sin had been forgiven and reconciliation with God was now possible	2. It shows God's benevolence for humans	In the Bible it says "for God so loved the world, he gave his only son so that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."
Explain two way in which the crucifixion influences Christians today.	1. They <u>try</u> not to sin	The crucifixion shows the seriousness of sin: The Son of God had to die to provide atonement	2. They <u>know</u> that they are loved and forgiven	Jesus died showing God's benevolence and forgiveness
Explain four reasons why the crucifixion is an important belief.	1. It provided atonement for the sins of humanity When Jesus died the temple curtain tore in two showing sin had been forgiven and reconciliation with God was now possible		2. It shows God's benevolence for humans In the Bible it says "for God so loved the world, he gave his only son so that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."	
Draw a symbol 	3. It was planned by God. In the Bible Jesus told his disciples that he had to die as part of God's plan		4. It means that Christians can go to heaven Christians can be confident that their sin has been forgiven and that they can enter heaven when they die	


THE RESURRECTION

Christianity Beliefs and Teachings

Define the key term			In my words...	
	point	explain / evidence	point	explain / evidence
Give two Christian beliefs about the resurrection.	1.		2.	
Explain two Christian beliefs about the resurrection.	1.		2.	
Explain two way in which the resurrection influences Christians today.	1.		2.	
Explain four reasons why the resurrection is an important belief.	1.		2.	
Draw a symbol	3.		4.	

THE RESURRECTION

Christianity Beliefs and Teachings

Define the key term	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The event when Jesus rose from the dead The future event when all people will be raised for judgement 		In my words... Coming back to life, first Jesus, next us!	
	point	explain / evidence	point	explain / evidence
Give two Christian beliefs about the resurrection.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The tomb was empty when the women arrived 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Angels said “he is risen!” 	
Explain two Christian beliefs about the resurrection.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> It showed that Jesus’ teaching could be trusted 	He said he would be raised from the dead and he was, showing that Christians can trust the rest of the things he said	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> It shows God’s omnipotence 	If he could raise Jesus from the dead, he can do anything.
Explain two way in which the resurrection influences Christians today.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> They can be confident that there is an afterlife 	Jesus came back to life – so will they	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> They pray to God knowing that He can help 	If he could raise Jesus from the dead, he can do anything – and help them in their time of need
Explain four reasons why the resurrection is an important belief.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> It gives hope When Jesus resurrected he showed that their was an afterlife 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> It gives comfort That Christians will see their loved ones again because they too will be raised to life 	
Draw a symbol 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> It shows that Jesus truly was the Son of God only God could predict his own resurrection 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> It shows that death is not the end The resurrection shows that there is an afterlife 	


THE ASCENSION

Christianity Beliefs and Teachings

Define the key term			In my words...	
	point	explain / evidence	point	explain / evidence
Give two Christian beliefs about the ascension.	1.		2.	
Explain two Christian beliefs about the ascension.	1.		2.	
Explain two way in which the ascension influences Christians today.	1.		2.	
Explain four reasons why the ascension is an important belief.	1.		2.	
Draw a symbol	3.		4.	

THE ASCENSION

Christianity Beliefs and Teachings

Define the key term	The event when Jesus ascended to Heaven 40 days after his resurrection		In my words... Beam me up dad!	
	point	explain / evidence	point	explain / evidence
Give two Christian beliefs about the ascension.	1. It was a literal event, witnessed by the disciples at Bethany		2. It happened 40 days after Jesus' resurrection	
Explain two Christian beliefs about the ascension.	1. It was a literal event, witnessed by the disciples at Bethany	Fundamentalist Christians who take a literal reading of the Bible think he literally ascended to Heaven	2. It teaches Christians that there is a heaven where they will go after death	Jesus returned to heaven, where Christians will join him after death
Explain two way in which the ascension influences Christians today.	1. They can be confident that there is an afterlife	Jesus went to heaven, so will they	2. They pray to Jesus knowing that He can help	Jesus returned to the right hand of the Father to intercede to Christians
Explain four reasons why the ascension is an important belief.	1. Jesus advocates for them The Bible teaches that Jesus sits at God's right hand, interceding for Christians		2. It gives comfort Knowing that they too will go to heaven after this life	
Draw a symbol 	3. It shows that Jesus truly was the Son of God it was an event witnessed by the disciples that shows Jesus' divinity		4. It led to the Holy Spirit arriving on earth Jesus taught that he had to go so that the Spirit would come down for Christians	