

# The National Junior C of E Primary School

Unit: Salvation

Subject: RE

Term: 5

## Unit Overview / Key Question:

**What did Jesus do to save human beings?**

**What difference does Jesus' sacrifice make to Christians?**

The death and resurrection of Jesus are key moments in the Christian Bible. In the Old Testament, people would offer sacrifices of goat or lamb to show they are sorry for their sins but this would only bring them back to God until their next sin - which usually did not take long. Christians see Jesus' death as a sacrifice. He willingly sacrificed his own life for the greater cause of taking punishment for sins away from humans for all time. Many see this as part of God's intention. It was Jesus's sacrifice that allowed humans to be brought back to God permanently.

## Symbols and Key Festivals



Eucharist is a Christian ceremony that celebrates the last supper, in which bread and wine are consumed.



The Last Supper is the final meal that, in the Gospel accounts, Jesus shared with his apostles in Jerusalem before his crucifixion. The Last Supper is commemorated by Christians especially on Maundy Thursday.



Bread and wine - Many Christians believe that the bread represents Jesus' body and the wine his blood.

### What?

### Key Knowledge

What can art show us of the 'Big story' of Jesus?



Christians believe Jesus died on the cross. The stations of the cross is a groups of paintings that represent the events that happened on the day of Jesus' crucifixion.

Who was responsible for Jesus' death?

Within the Bible, many different people had a part to play in the death and sacrifice of Jesus. These include; Pilate, Judas, the Romans, the Sanhedrin, the crowds, the soldier with the hammer. **God and Jesus himself.**

What sacrifices do people take for a cause?

What would you give up for something you care about? Martin Luther King once said: **If a man has not discovered something that he will die for, he isn't fit to live.** 'Love your neighbor as you love yourself' will involve some sacrifice.

What is the connection between Isaiah 53 and John 19?

Who is the person depicted as the 'suffering servant'? What links are there between Jesus and the Suffering Servant in Isaiah? Christians believe Jesus is the Messiah - Jewish people do not.

What impact does sacrifice have?

Sacrifice can be made by all people and does not have to be as dramatic as sacrificing one's life. People sacrifice their time, lifestyles, goals, happiness and so on, for greater causes.

What impact did Jesus' sacrifice have on Christians?

Christians believe in Jesus' sacrifice and continue to live their lives by his teachings. People who are not Christians might say that Jesus demonstrated love, friendship, service, wisdom, generosity, humility and courage as well as self-sacrifice.

### Prior Knowledge

In term 2 children learnt about Christian's belief that Jesus is the Messiah sent by God to rescue human beings. In previous year groups, they have learnt that Christians read the 'Big Story' as a way of reminding themselves that people needed saving as well as human's relationship with God. Christians believe that Jesus died for our sins and was resurrected from the dead. Christians interpret this in a variety of ways: for example, as a sacrifice for sin; as a victory over sin, death and the devil; paying the punishment as a substitute for everyone's sins; rescuing the lost and leading them to God; leading from darkness to light.

### Vocabulary

Crucifixion	Method of punishment where the victim is tied or nailed to a large wooden beam and left to hang, perhaps for days.
Sacrifice	Giving up something valued in order to help someone else.
Messiah	Is someone who is a leader and saviour.
Saviour.	A person who saves someone or something from danger or difficulty.
Martyr	Someone who willingly suffers death for their religious beliefs.
Salvation	Being delivered from sin and its consequences, believed by Christians to be brought about by faith in Christ.
Old Testament	The name of the first part the Bible, the one written before Jesus Christ.
New Testament	The name given to the part of the Christian Bible that was written after the birth of Jesus Christ.

