

RE Knowledge Organiser

Year Five – Stories of Christianity

Unit Sequence of Sequence of Learning

- To explore the themes of the Bible and identify familiar stories.
- To explore the story of Ruth and Naomi.
- To explore the story of Daniel and relate this to religious persecution today.
- To explore the parables of Jesus.
- To find out about Christian baptism through the story of John the Baptist.
- To find out about Paul and the early church.

Key Vocabulary

Messiah	A leader regarded as the saviour of a particular country, group, or cause.
Parable	A simple story used to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson, as told by Jesus in the Gospels.
Pharisees	A member of an ancient Jewish sect, distinguished by strict observance of the traditional and written law, and commonly held to have pretensions to superior sanctity.
Analogy	A comparison between one thing and another, typically for the purpose of explanation or clarification.
Exodus	A mass departure of people.

Stories of Christianity

Story of Ruth and Naomi	Daniel and the Lion's Den	The Parable of the Lost Sheep	The Story of John the Baptist
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A man called Elimelech lived in Bethlehem in Judah with his sons and wife Naomi. • A famine came across the land and Elimelech decided to move his family to Moab. • A few years later Elimelech died and his sons married Moabite women, sadly ten years later both sons died. • Naomi was left with her two daughters-in-law called Oprah and Ruth. They all decided to go back to Bethlehem. • During the journey Naomi told her daughters-in-law to return to Moab; however, Ruth would not go. • Ruth went to work in the fields and the owner showed her kindness because of the kindness she had showed Naomi. • Eventually Ruth and the field owner (Boaz) married and they had a son. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the reign of King Darius, there was a vice-regent called Daniel. • The other vice-regents were jealous of Daniel and planned to make him fall from grace. They decided to use his religion against him. • They went to the king and suggested that he should pass a decree that forbids anyone from praying to any god or human except for the king for the next thirty days. • Daniel continued to pray, and Darius had no choice but to throw Daniel to the lions as punishment. • When Darius returned to the lion pit, the next day, he was astounded to find Daniel was unharmed. • Daniel said that God had protected him. • The men who has accused Daniel of breaking the law were themselves thrown into the lion pit. • King Darius decided that Daniel's God was the one true God and told the other kingdoms. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus was spending a lot of time talking to a tax collector and sinners. Many people, including the Pharisees, did not understand this so Jesus told them The Parable of the Lost Sheep. • "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the other ninety-nine in the open countryside and go and look for the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbours together and says, 'Rejoice with me! I have found my lost sheep!' I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who do not need to repent." 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the rule of King Herod of Judea, there lived a priest Zechariah and his wife Elizabeth. They were old and had always wished for a child. • An angel of the lord appeared to Zechariah and told him his wife would be having a baby and that they should call him John. • Zechariah did not believe the angel, so his voice was taken away as punishment. • Elizabeth had the child and named him John. • John grew up to be a man of strong character and started baptising people in the River Jordan. • When Jesus was ready to start his public mission, he went to John at the River Jordan and asked him to baptise him. • When Jesus was baptised he saw the Holy Spirit come down from heaven and John realised he had baptised the messiah.