



What should I already know?

- Christianity is one of the key religions of the world.
- Christians believe in God
- Christians celebrate Christmas and Easter
- Christians worship God in a church

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Theologians are curious about world religion and are respectful towards the beliefs of others whilst celebrating diversity.

Technical vocabulary

Christian	Someone who follows Christianity and worships God
Church	The sacred building for Christians
Jesus	The Son of God, a key figure in Christianity and the Bible
Parable	A story told to illustrate a moral lesson, often told by Jesus to his disciples
Forgiveness	The act of stopping to feel angry or sad towards someone else for their misdeed
Prayer	An expression of love or thanks to a religious deity, for Christians to God
Worship	The feeling and expression of love for a deity, for Christians for God
Bible	Christian scripture, containing the New and Old Testament

Key Knowledge

- The Christian sacred text is the Bible. The Bible contains several stories (including parables) about the nature of God as well as how Christians should live their lives
- A parable is a story told to illustrate a moral lesson
- The Bible contains several parables, including that of the Lost Son
- Forgiveness is the act of stopping to feel angry for an action or towards a person; God is forgiving
- Christians pray for 4 slightly different reasons (pray, repent, ask, yield)
- Christians worship God in several ways, such as through prayer, telling stories, singing songs and reading the Bible

Key facts and figures

Place of Origin: Israel
 Founder: Jesus
 Sacred Text: The Bible
 Sacred Building: Church, Chapel, Cathedral
 Holy Places: Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth



The Parable of the Lost Son

- The parable of the Lost Son is from the Christian gospels – stories with a moral meaning, as told by Jesus to his followers.
- A farmer who has two sons divides his wealth. One son stays to work on the family farm, the other leaves the family home and returns years later, penniless. The Lost Son is treated as a returning hero, much to the annoyance of the son who stayed to work.
- This parable tells Christians how God is loving and forgiving

