



## Unit 1.3 Why does Christmas matter to Christians?



### Enquiry Questions

- How does the concept of Incarnation fit into the timeline of the Bible's 'Big Story'?
- What happens in the story of Jesus' birth and why is Jesus important to Christians?
- Where do stories about Jesus' life come from?
- How do Christians use the story of the Nativity to guide their beliefs and actions at Christmas?
- What do I have to be thankful for at Christmas time?

### What will I know by the end of the unit?

Christians believe that Jesus is God and that he was born as a baby in Bethlehem. They believe God came to Earth in human form as Jesus. Christians believe Jesus came to show that all people are precious and special to God.

The Bible points out that his birth shows he was extraordinary (for example, he is worshipped as a king in Matthew) and that he came to bring good news (for example, to the poor in Luke).

Christians celebrate Jesus' birth at Christmas. Advent for Christians is a time of getting ready for Jesus' coming.



### Key Vocabulary

Christianity, Christian, belief, God, Jesus, Christmas, incarnation, festival, celebrate, Advent, prepare, Bible, Gospel,