

Stories to use:

The Christmas Story

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Theme: Christmas Religion: Christianity



Key Concept Questions:

What is the most significant part of the Nativity story for Christians today?

Key Vocabulary

Definition

Universal	Affecting everyone
Cultural	Of or relating to culture – language, custom or idea of a particular group of people
Commercial	To make money
Kingship	To rule as a king
Priestly	Like a priest
Embalming	To use a product to preserve life before burial
Contrast	Difference
Humbling	Not proud

Key Knowledge

The angel symbolises that Jesus was not just an ordinary man.

The star guided the wise men just as Jesus is the light that guides Christians to God.

The wise men and the Shepherd are an interesting contrast between rich and poor, symbolising that Jesus is a gift from God to everyone.

Gold is a precious metal symbolising how precious Jesus is and represents his Kingship.

Frankincense is used in perfume and incense and represents Jesus' priestly role.

Myrrh is used in perfumes and incense and in Jesus' day was an embalming ointment which symbolises death.

The stable represents humble beginnings as there was no room for Jesus which runs parallel to people not finding room in their lives for God.

A Christingle is used as 'Christ's Light' and as a symbol of Christian faith. The orange is the world; candle is Jesus as the light of the world; red ribbon goes all around the world and symbolises Jesus' blood; four cocktail sticks show four seasons or four corners of the world and the sweets or dried fruit symbolises God's gifts to the world.