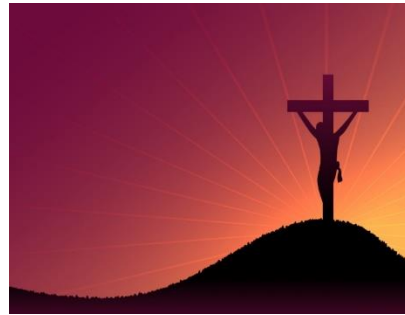
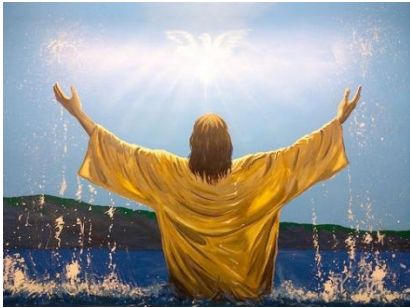


Big question – Was Jesus the Messiah?



Key Concepts

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High Frequency Vocabulary (Tier 2)

scripture	bible	Christ
testament	Christmas	relationship
prophecy	Christian	reconcile

Subject Specific Vocabulary (Tier 3)

Messiah	The promised saviour written about in the Jewish holy book
Gospel	The records of Jesus' life in the bible
spiritual	Relating to the human spirit or soul
material	The matter from which something is made
matter	Physical substance
transfiguration	A spectacular change in appearance
incarnation	A god in the body of a person

1. Can you fill in the meaning of these words?

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2. Can you answer these questions?

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