



Key Vocabulary

Jesus	Jesus is the chosen messenger in the Christian faith
Holy Week	The week before Easter, starting on Palm Sunday
The Last Supper	The meal Jesus ate with his disciples (followers) before he was arrested and then crucified
Pentecost	Is celebrated 50 days after Easter and is when Christians remember the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is known as 'Whit Sunday'

What is Holy Week?

The week leading up to Easter Sunday is known as Holy Week.

Palm Sunday - this day marks Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, where he was greeted by crowds who shouted praise and waved palm branches.

Holy Monday - some observe the anointing of Jesus at Bethany on this day.

Holy Tuesday - some observe Jesus' predictions of his own death on this day.

Holy Wednesday - also known as Spy Wednesday, this day marks Judas' betrayal of Jesus.

Maundy Thursday - when Jesus and his disciples shared the Last Supper.

Good Friday - the day Jesus was crucified.

Easter Sunday - the day of Jesus' resurrection

Big Question: How is Jesus viewed today in worship, the arts and the media?

Key Learning



Easter marks the culmination of the Passion of Jesus, occurring after 40 days of Lent where Christians fast, pray and undertake acts of penance. Easter is considered the holiest day of the year.

Jesus' resurrection is essentially the foundation upon which Christian religions are built. Christians believe that Jesus was arrested by the Romans because he claimed to be the son of God.

He was sentenced to death by Pontius Pilate, and his subsequent resurrection is believed to be proof that Jesus was, indeed, the son of God. The four gospels in the New Testament state that those who believe in Jesus' death and resurrection are welcomed into the 'Kingdom of Heaven' and given 'the gift of eternal life'.

Christians believe that Jesus' ultimate sacrifice was part of a divine plan to save humanity. It's thought that his death restored humanity's damaged relationship with God.



One of the most famous paintings is the 'The Last Supper' by Leonardo Da Vinci. He painted it from 1495 - 1498. It is priceless and is in a church in Milan.