

# Understanding Christianity 1.5 Salvation



## Why does Easter matter to Christians?



### Good Friday

On Good Friday, **Christians** remember the day that **Jesus** was **crucified**. Leaders in Jerusalem were jealous that people listened to **Jesus** and so they had him **crucified**. **Christians** believe it is 'good', because **Jesus** showed great love and died for the **sins** of others. When he died, his body was put in a stone **tomb**.

On **Easter** Sunday, **Christians** celebrate **Jesus' resurrection**. The **resurrection** of **Jesus** gives **Christians** the promise of **eternal** life in **heaven**.



### A Surprise

Some of **Jesus'** friends went to visit his **tomb** on the Sunday after he died. They were surprised to find it empty. After his **resurrection** **Jesus** visited his **disciples** before going up to **heaven** to live with God.



### Key Vocabulary

Spelling	Definition/Sentence
Easter	Christian festival celebrating the death and resurrection of Jesus
Crucifixion	Referring to the death of Jesus on a cross. A Roman punishment.
Easter Sunday	The most important day for Christians when Jesus rose from the dead.
Good Friday	The day that Jesus died.
Holy Week	The last week of Jesus' earthly life, starting on Palm Sunday
Salvation	The act of saving or being saved.
Sacrifice	The act of giving something up for something more important.
Resurrection	Christians believe Jesus rose from the dead and became "Christ", the risen one.



Lesson	Knowledge
1	I know the main parts of the Easter story.
2	I can retell the Easter story and express which parts are happy and sad
3	I understand which symbols help Christians to remember what Jesus was teaching us when he washed the disciples feet
4	I know that Jesus is a bridge between God and us
5	I can use what have learnt about Easter to create a piece of art work.