

# Understanding Christianity 1.3 Incarnation

## Why does Christmas matter to Christians?

Christians believe that **Jesus is God** and that he was born as a baby in **Bethlehem**. The Bible says that his birth showed he was **extraordinary** and that he came to **bring good news**.

**Advent** for Christians is a time of getting ready for Jesus' coming.

Christians believe **Jesus was God on earth**.

Jesus brought **good news** to very poor people.

Christmas is a **time for giving** – the wise men gave presents when Jesus was first born.

As Christmas is a time for both giving and thinking of the poor, lots of Christians like to give **presents** and **help those in need** at Christmas time.



	Lesson	Key concepts
1	The birth of Jesus	I know the Christmas story
2	The Wise Men	I know that the Wise Men expected Jesus to be born as a King in a Palace.
3	Christmas Carols	I know Christians sing carols to celebrate Jesus' birth
4	Gifts	I know the gifts we can give to Jesus
5	Assessment	Why does Christmas matter to Christians?

Key Vocabulary	
Spelling	Definition/Sentence
Incarnation	A person who embodies in the flesh a deity, spirit, or quality.
Gospel	Jesus' life and teaching in the first four books of the New Testament (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John).
Advent	The arrival of a notable person or thing.
Nativity	The birth of Jesus Christ.



