



**Subject: RE Topic: Incarnation/God – What is the Trinity?**

**Year Group: 3**

**What I should already know:**

- Recognise that Incarnation is part of the 'Big Story' of the Bible
- Tell the story of the birth of Jesus and recognise the link with Incarnation — Jesus is 'God on Earth'
- Give at least two examples of ways in which Christians use the nativity story in churches and at home; for example, using nativity scenes and carols to celebrate Jesus' birth
- Think, talk and ask questions about the Christmas story and the lessons they might learn from it: for example, about being kind and generous.

**Vocabulary:**

**Trinity – Three persons of the Christian God**  
**Incarnation – God revealed as man on Earth**  
**God the Father – The Creator of the World**  
**God the Son – God as man who dies for us**  
**God the Holy Spirit – God's presence in us**  
**Gospel – a life story or biography of the life and teaching of Jesus**  
**Baptism – To be cleansed of sin and brought to God**  
**The grace – A prayer of God's love**

**Watch the Baptism of Jesus i The Miracle Maker:**  
<https://vimeo.com/404287245>  
 Watch from 7:56-10:14

**What I will know by the end of the unit:**

- Identify the difference between a 'Gospel', which tells the story of the life and teaching of Jesus, and a letter.
- Offer suggestions about what texts about baptism and Trinity might mean.
- Give examples of what these texts mean to some Christians today
- Describe how Christians show their beliefs about God the Trinity in worship (in baptism and prayer, for example) and in the way they live.
- Make links between some Bible texts studied and the idea of God in Christianity, expressing clearly some ideas of their own about what the God of Christianity is like

<p><b>The Baptism of John the Baptist- Matthew 3:11-17</b>                  The story in pictures:  <a href="https://www.freebibleimages.org/illustrations/gnpi-012-john-baptist/">https://www.freebibleimages.org/illustrations/gnpi-012-john-baptist/</a></p>	<p><b>Christian belief and practice</b>  <i>See Essential Information p6 for Commentary on the Text</i></p>
<p>"I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire</p>	<p><b>At the very start of Jesus' public life, it pictures the Trinity: the voice of God announces Jesus as the Son of God and the Holy Spirit is present in the form of a dove. Christians believe that one important thing the story teaches is that Jesus is not just a good man, but God, come to Earth to rescue humanity</b></p> <p><b>Christians are baptised with water in the name of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, to join the Christian community</b></p>
<p>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire."</p>	
<p>Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?"</p>	
<p>Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented.</p>	
<p>As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him</p>	
<p>And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.</p>	

<p><b>The Grace - 2 Corinthians: 13-14</b></p>	<p><b>Christian belief and practice</b></p>
<p><b>May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.</b></p>	<p>Baptism is 'once in a lifetime' but prayer is every day. Maybe only the Lord's Prayer is more used by Protestant Christians than 'the Grace'. The blessing asks for God to be with people who hear the prayer. Teach pupils that for Christians, this sense of God being with them, all around and even within their lives is a part of believing in God the Holy Spirit.</p>