

RE— Christianity: What does it mean if God is Holy and Loving?

Key Vocabulary

cathedral	The main church of a diocese with which the bishop is officially associated.
Christian	A person who believes in Christianity.
Christmas	The annual celebration of Jesus' birth.
Jewish	A person who is a member of the religion of Judaism.
Promised Land	The land of Canaan, that was promised to Abraham and his descendants.
prophet	A person seen as a teacher of the will of God. The books of Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel and the twelve prophets.
saviour	A person who saves someone or something from danger.
The Messiah	A leader who will be sent by God to save the Jewish people, believed to be Jesus

Key People

David was a young shepherd who is told to have killed the enemy Goliath.

Isaiah was a prophet who was born in Jerusalem, thought to have lived about 700 years before the birth of Jesus Christ.

John was the first disciple (John the Baptist).

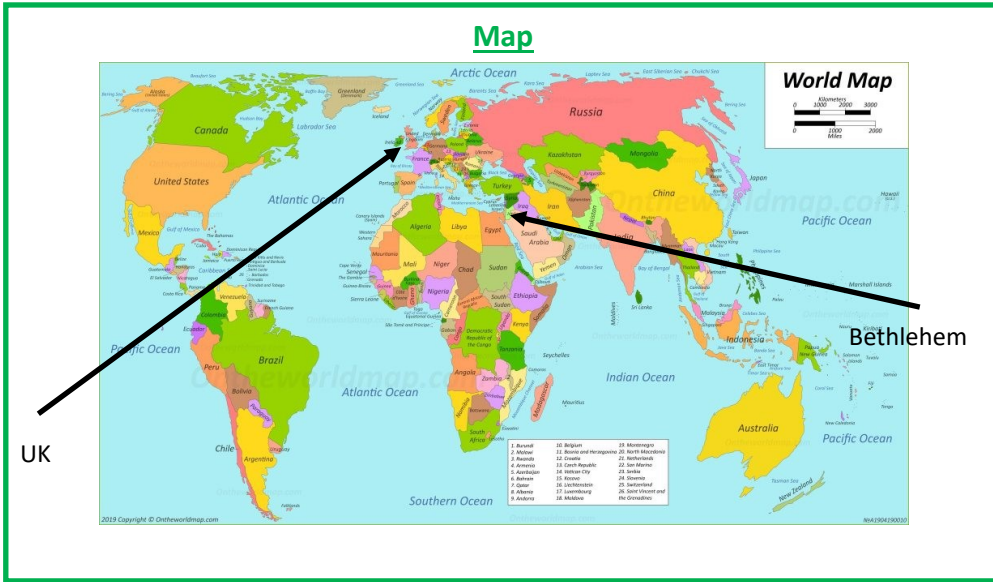
Key Facts

For Christians, knowing God is a personal journey and a relationship.

Cathedrals show different aspects of what Christians believe about God. Stained glass windows tell stories; the altar talks of sacrifice; confessionals talk of forgiveness; the size and scale of cathedrals speak of God's power as well as human creativity; the cross shape talks of God's love through Jesus.

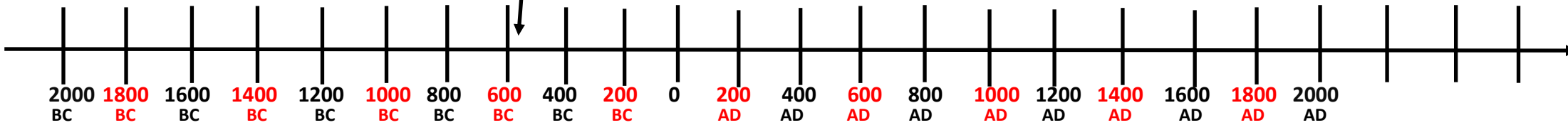
God's holiness and love are seen in his dealings with his people—his commands and his willingness to forgive.

The People of God were taken into exile in Babylon in 586BCE. They returned after about 50 years, but their Promised Land was still occupied by foreign forces. They began to have a new hope that they would be rescued. He will send a rescuer, a saviour—a Messiah. This is the situation when the Old Testament ends. However, the land remains occupied by different forces—at the start of the New Testament, this is by the Romans.



Timeline

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Tier 2 Vocabulary

concept	An idea
culture	The ideas, customs, and social behaviour of a group of people.
perceive	When you notice, see or realise something , especially if it is not obvious.
retain	To continue to have something or remember something.
source	Something that comes from the past or can be used to explain about the past.
tradition	A set of beliefs passed from generation to generation