



Unit 6.5: Ascension and Pentecost – In what ways do these events and beliefs make Christianity distinctive?

Christian Values:

Faith - Trust

Key Vocabulary:

Ascension: The act of ascending. The bodily ascending of Christ from earth to heaven.

Pentecost: Pentecost is a Christian festival that takes place on the seventh Sunday after Easter and celebrates the sending of the Holy Spirit to the first followers of Jesus.

Trinity: The union of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit in one God.

Holy Spirit: The spirit of God.

Inspiration: Something that makes someone want to do something or that gives someone an idea about what to do or create : a force or influence that inspires someone.

Key Questions:

- Why are these two events so important?
- What is the impact of these events then and now?
- In what ways do these events and beliefs make Christianity distinctive?
- What do Christians believe about the nature and character of the Holy Spirit?

Christian Concepts:

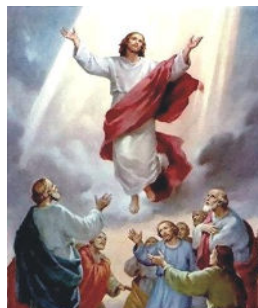
Gospel: Jesus' good news for everyone. His life, ministry and teaching.

Salvation: God's people are saved because through Jesus; sin is dealt with and forgiveness offered.

Kingdom of God: God's kingdom is the world as God intended it

Key Knowledge:

- Christians have distinctive beliefs connected with Ascension and Pentecost.
- Christians believe that the lives can be transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit.
- Christians believe that God is three in one – Father, Son and Holy Spirit.



Ascension

Jesus ascended, or was taken up, to Heaven . This shows that he has returned to Heaven after completing his mission on Earth. Christians believe that Jesus is in Heaven with God.



Pentecost

The disciples of Jesus had seen him after his resurrection and witnessed his ascension (return) to Heaven. Suddenly the disciples were able to speak in different languages (tongues) to all the people who had come to Jerusalem for the festival.



Trinity

God is three in one.

Key Bible Passages:

Acts 1:1-11 (Ascension) & Acts 2 (Pentecost)