



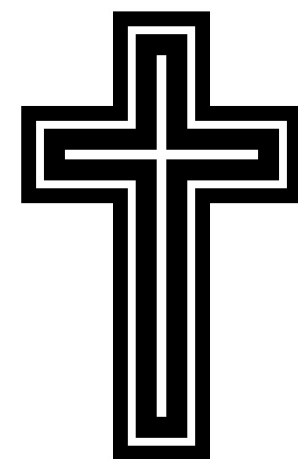
RE – Why do some people believe in God and some not?



Identity and Community: People feel belonging to communities, their identity can be expressed through traditions, rituals and symbols.

Vocabulary

- Atheist - Believes there is no God.
- Agnostic - Cannot say if God exists or not.
- Theist – someone who believes in a God.
- Prophet - Someone who listens to and speaks for God.

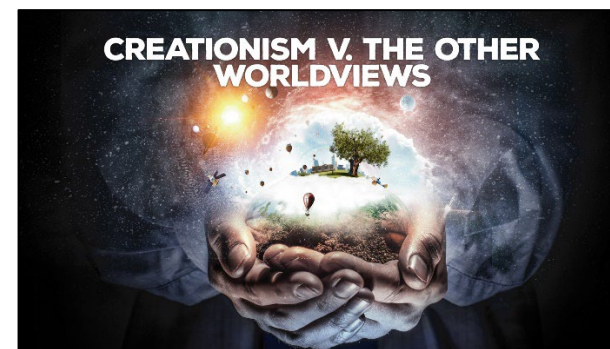


Christians believe that:

- Jesus Christ was the Son of God.
- God sent his Son to earth to save humanity from the consequences of its sins.
- Jesus was fully human, and experienced this world in the same way as other human beings of his time.
- Jesus was tortured and gave his life on the Cross (At the Crucifixion)
- Jesus rose from the dead on the third day after his Crucifixion (the Resurrection)
- Christians believe that Jesus was the Messiah promised in the Old Testament
- Christians believe that there is only one God, but that this one God consists of 3 “persons” God the Father - God the Son -The Holy Spirit
- Christians believe that God made the world.

Creationism

Many religions tell the story of how the world was created; these are called creation stories. In modern times, science has found different explanations for how the Earth was made which some people can see as a challenge to their beliefs.



Non-believers

There are a rising number of people who identify as ‘no religion’. These may include people who call themselves who believe that god does not exist. Someone people who identify as no religion may call themselves a humanist.

