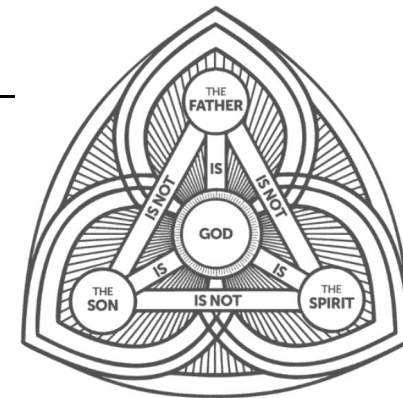


What should I already know?

- Christians believe in and follow God.
- Gospels are the stories of Jesus life—the four Gospels were written by the disciples Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.
- Jesus encouraged people to join him—he 'fished for men', so that he could teach them how to lead a better life. These people were called disciples.
- Know the word 'Baptism' and have a basic understanding of it's significance for Christians.

Key Vocabulary and Definitions

Trinity	God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
God, the Holy Spirit	The 3rd person of the Trinity. A part of God.
God the Father	God— Creator of the universe, father of Jesus.
God, the Son	Jesus has always existed, but became human (incarnated) for a time.
Gospel	The teaching or revelation of Christ.
Christian	A religious person, who believes in Christianity.



Key questions

- ♦ Why is water used as a symbol in Christianity?
- ♦ What are the 3 parts of the Trinity?
- ♦ What is the significance of Baptism to Christians and what happens at this ceremony?
- ♦ What is a gospel and why is it important to Christians?
- ♦ How do Christians show their beliefs about God the Trinity in worship (Baptism and prayer) and the way they live (through art for example)?



The Baptism of the Christ
By Daniel Bonnell



The Holy Spirit is represented in the Christian Church through different symbols.



The Baptism of Christ
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The Baptism of Jesus

John the Baptist devoted his life to encouraging people to repent their sins and prepare them for the coming of the Messiah (The Lord). Jesus visited the River Jordan to be baptised by John.

