

Key Words		
atonement	贖罪	making amends or payment for a wrong; the belief that reconciliation between God and humanity that was brought about by the death of Jesus as a sacrifice - literally 'at-one-ment'
blasphemy	褻瀆	speaking ill of God; taking God's name in vain; a religious offence
Christ	基督	meaning 'anointed' in Greek. The title, also treated as a name, given to Jesus
creed	信條	statement of belief; the Nicene Creed and Apostles Creed encapsulate all the necessary beliefs of Christians
crucifixion	受難	method of execution used by the Romans, involving a person being nailed/tied to a cross until death
disciple	弟子	A personal follower of Jesus during his life, especially one of the twelve
gospel	福音	the record of Jesus' life and teaching in the first four books (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) of the New Testament
Holy Week	聖周	the week immediately before Easter, the last week of Lent; Holy Week begins with the commemoration of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, climaxing with the Last Supper and the Passion of Jesus on Good Friday
hypostatic union	實體 聯盟	Christian belief that the person of Jesus is both fully human and fully divine
incarnation	化身	meaning 'in flesh'. The belief that God took human form in the form of Jesus
Jesus	耶穌	believed by Christians to be the Son of God, he was a first century Jewish teacher living and travelling in Palestine/Israel
miracle	奇跡	a good event which is contrary to the laws of nature; believed by many to be the work of God in this world
Messiah	彌賽亞	God's chosen leader, the deliverer of the Jewish nation in the Old Testament
parable	寓言	kind of story to help people understand how God wants them to live
the Passion	熱情	the arrest, trial and execution of Jesus
Pharisees	法利 賽 人	'separated ones'; ancient religious leaders of Judaism
Pontius Pilate	本丟彼拉多	the Roman governor who is best known for being the official who presided over the trial of Jesus and later ordered his crucifixion
prophet	先知	a messenger of God
redeemer	救世主	someone who can forgive sins and make a person pure again in the eyes of God

Key Quotes

"The Lord himself will give you a sign: a young woman who is pregnant will have a son and will name him 'Immanuel.'"

Isaiah 7:14

"He has chosen me and sent me to bring good news to the poor, To heal the broken-hearted, To announce release to captives And freedom to those in prison."

Isaiah 61:1

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made."

John 1:1-3

"The word became flesh and made his dwelling among us."

John 1:14

"I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die."

John 11:25

"We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God ... he came down from heaven: and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man."

Nicene Creed

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was ill and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."

Matthew 25:35-36 (The Parable of the Sheep & Goats)

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but shall have eternal life."

John 3:16

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resurrection	復活	Christian belief that Jesus rose from the dead on the third day after his death
Sadducees	撒都該人	ancient religious leaders of Judaism
salvation	拯救	being saved; belief that through God's grace, Jesus' death and resurrection brought about salvation for humanity
Sanhedrin	公會	a supreme court in Jerusalem which was overseen by the High Priest
Son of God	神的兒子	a title used for Jesus; the second Person of the Trinity. Shows the special relationship between Jesus and God
the 'Word'	詞	St John's Gospel describes God creating the world through his Word and links this to Jesus in the statement: <i>'The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.'</i>