# Year Three: What is the Trinity and why is it important for Christians?



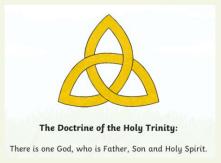


# The Big Idea

At the time of Jesus many people were waiting for someone to come from God who would save them and to heal the rift between them and God and they called this person the Messiah.

## The Holy Trinity

The Trinity is the Christian belief that God is three in one: God the Father, God the Son (Jesus), and God the Holy Spirit. It's important because it shows how God is always with us and cares for us.



### Baptism of Jesus



The baptism of Jesus is when John the Baptist baptised Jesus in the River Jordan, and the heavens opened, with God's voice saying, "This is my Son, whom I love." It showed that Jesus was chosen by God and marked the start of his special work.

## Baptism of Christ

Artwork is used to show key religious events. This is a painting by Da Vinci depicting the Baptism of Christ.



#### **Baptism**



Christians believe that baptising cleanses people from original sin. and marks a person's official entry into the Church.

#### Infant or Believer's Baptism

Christians will either have an infant baptism (and often a confirmation when they are older – if they choose the Christian faith for themselves) or a believer's baptism.



## Vocabulary

trinity holy spirit messiah baptism scripture Jesus