

Unit 5.4: Why do Christians believe that Easter is a celebration of Victory?

Key Questions:

Why do Christians see Easter as a celebration of Easter?

In what ways is Christ's death and resurrection a victory?

What is Jesus victorious over and why?

How does his victory help us today?

What did Jesus do to save human beings?

Christian Values:

Faith

Hope

Service

Joy



Key Bible Verses:

Matthew 28:6:

'He is not here; he has risen, just as he said.'

Mark 16:6:

'You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him.'

Luke 24:5-6:

''Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!''

John 20:6-7:

'The Peter came along... and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the line.'

Christian Concepts:

Salvation (Jesus died in the place of people, so that anyone who believes and trusts in Him will be 'saved' or rescued from death and able to be in heaven with God for ever.)

Key Vocabulary:

Redeemer: Jesus redeems, 'buys back' believers.

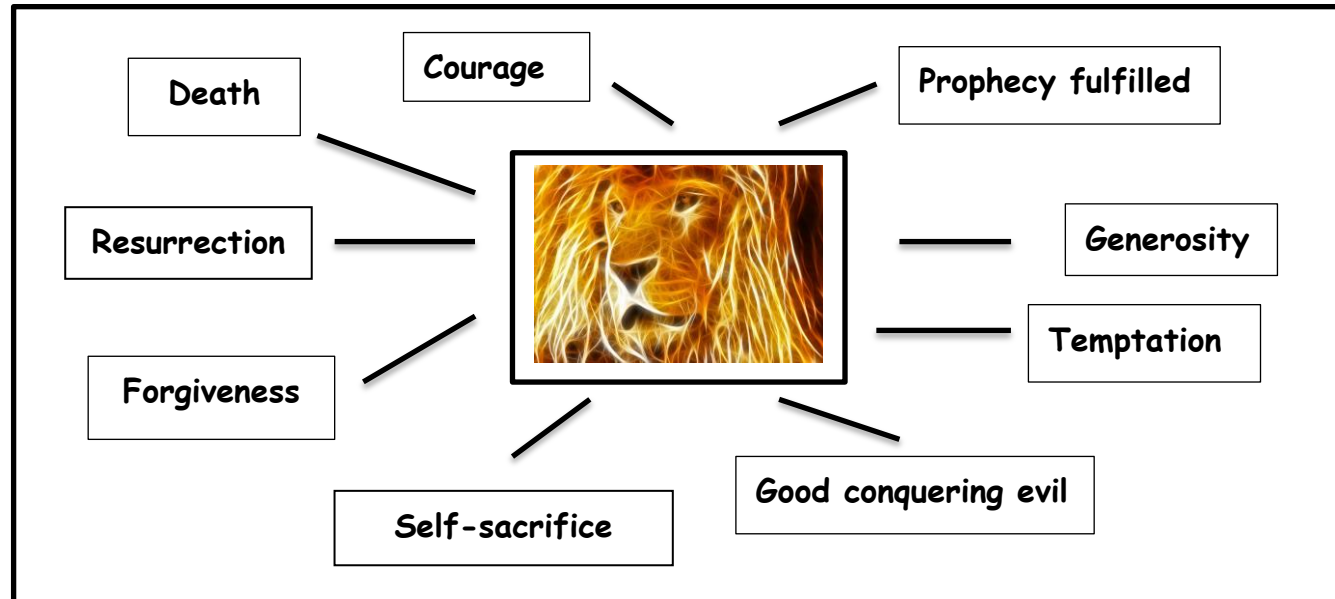
Resurrection: Jesus was raised from the dead.

Sacrifice: Jesus offered up his life and died in the place of believers.

Salvation: Jesus' death brings about freedom from sin and its consequences for believers.

Triumph: A great victory or achievement.

Victory: Defeating an enemy or opponent. Jesus defeated sin and death.



Noel Chavasse: Army Officer, Olympic athlete and Doctor; awarded the Victoria Cross twice for his bravery in WW1.