

Christian Beliefs Glossary

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Afterlife	existence after death.
Ascension	bodily rising of Jesus Christ into heaven, 40 days after his resurrection.
Atonement	reconciliation between God and humans through Jesus Christ's sacrificial death.
Bible	collection of sacred books for Christians, made up of the Old and New Testaments.
Creation	God making the world and universe.
Crucifixion	execution of Jesus Christ by nailing him to a cross.
Eschatology	study of the end times and the afterlife.
Evangelical Christians	Christians who emphasise the spreading of the Gospel.
Evil	very immoral and wicked.
Grace	undeserved favour and love of God.
Heaven	eternal blessedness and communion with God.
Hell	eternal punishment and separation from God.

Holy Spirit	third person of the Trinity, the active presence of God in the world.
Incarnation	belief that God became flesh (human) in the person of Jesus Christ.
Jesus Christ	believed to be the Son of God and the saviour of humanity.
Judgement	God's assessment of human actions, deciding their eternal fate.
Law	rules given by God, particularly the ones in the Old Testament.
Literalists	those who interpret the Bible in a strictly literal or word-for-word sense.
Omnibenevolent	all-loving or infinitely good.
Omnipotent	all-powerful or having unlimited power.
Resurrection	the rising of Jesus Christ from the dead; also, the future bodily rising of all people.
Revelation	the disclosure of God's truth to humanity.
Salvation	deliverance from sin and its consequences, leading to eternal life with God.
Sin	disobedience to God's will.
Trinity	God exists as three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Word of God	God's message to humans, often referring to the Bible or Jesus Christ himself.