

JC Religion – Key Definitions

Ancient Judaism

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The history of the Jewish people, including politics, culture and religion.

Conflict with authority

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The tensions between Jesus and those in power, such as Pharisees.

Discipleship

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Following the call of Jesus in thought, word and deed.

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Eucharist



A thanksgiving meal which is celebrated by Christians. It is one of the sacraments in the Catholic Church

Evangelist



One of the four Gospel writers: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. They were people of faith.

Gospel



Stories of Jesus' life that are found in the New Testament.

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Kingdom of God

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A way of living based on Jesus' message of truth, justice, peace and love.

Martyrdom

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Being willing to suffer and die for your religious beliefs.

Memorial

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Something that is done to remember and honour the memory of someone or something.

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Messianic
expectation

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The Jewish people were awaiting a messiah (a redeemer), who would free them from Roman rule and establish a new Jewish kingdom.

Miracle

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An amazing event performed by Jesus that showed the power of God.

Missionary

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Continuing the work of Jesus on earth.

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Parable

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A short story told by Jesus to teach the people about the Kingdom of God.

Passover

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The festival celebrated by Jews to remember the events that led them to freedom.

Pentecost

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People of God

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Those who believe in God and try to carry out his will.

Presence

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Jesus' presence (existence) after the resurrection was an everlasting one.

Resurrection

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Jesus was restored to life three days after he had died.

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Sacrifice



Being willing to give up something for the sake of others.

Synoptic



The Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke are called synoptic because they present or make the same point of view. They have great similarities.

Table fellowship



Jesus chose to share his meals with all to show that God's kingdom was for everyone.

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The Holy Land

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The region where Jesus lived, preached and died. At the time it was known as Palestine.

The Roman Empire

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All the lands that Rome ruled at the time of Jesus, including the Holy Land.

Vocation

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A calling to serve God.