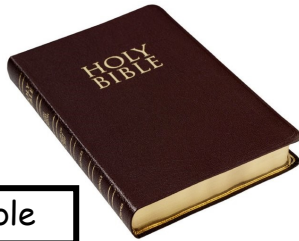


# Year 2: Why is the Bible special to Christians?

## Why is the Bible important?

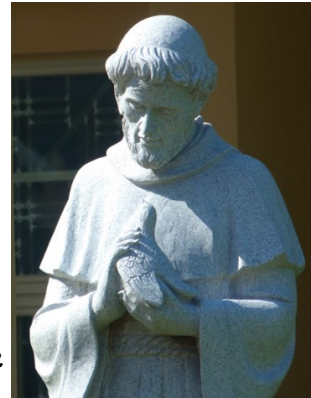
- The Christian Holy Book is called the Bible.
- It is divided into two parts: Old Testament (39 Books) and New Testament (27 Books).
- Christians read the Bible regularly in church and at home because they believe that it is God's words to them.
- Each story tells Christians how to be good people and how to live good lives.
- Christians learn how to live from the Bible.



The Bible

## Saint Francis of Assisi

Saint Francis was born in 1181. He became a soldier. During a battle, Saint Francis was captured and taken prisoner. After a year, he was released.



Saint Francis became very ill, and he went to Rome. When he was there, he saw poverty and this made Saint Francis change his ways. He left his family and followed God's instructions to rebuild a church.

Saint Francis helped many people and animals, and for this he became a saint.

## Vocabulary

<b>authority</b>	someone in charge
<b>Bible</b>	the Christian Holy Book of God's word
<b>Christian</b>	someone who models the life of Jesus
<b>creator</b>	someone who makes things
<b>Father</b>	a creator of humans
<b>Genesis</b>	the story of creation
<b>God</b>	the creator of the universe
<b>Holy</b>	linked to God
<b>Holy Book</b>	a book dedicated to God
<b>lectern</b>	a reading desk for the Bible
<b>New Testament</b>	part 2 of the Bible - stories about Jesus
<b>Old Testament</b>	part 1 of the Bible - before Jesus
<b>respect</b>	care about someone's rights
<b>Saint Francis of Assisi</b>	a holy person
<b>wonder</b>	having ideas and questions
<b>worship</b>	to show love to God

## What can Christians learn about God from the Bible?

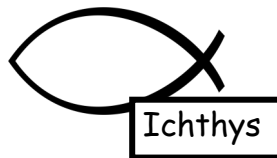
The Bible is full of stories about Christians and how they can become better people.

The stories tell us about:

- forgiveness
- respect
- God as the creator
- right and wrong



## Holy Symbols



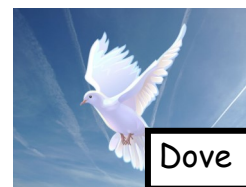
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