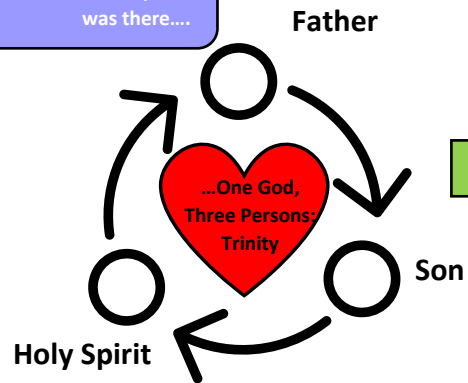
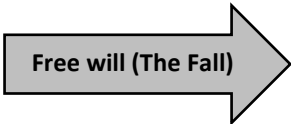


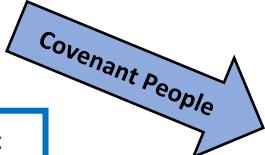
∞ **START:** Before time existed, God was there....



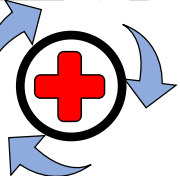
God, who is **love**, creates people, to live in relationship with God, the world and each other.



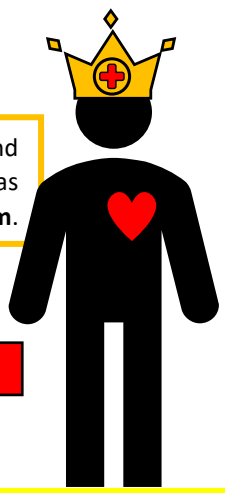
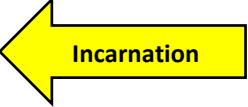
Free will (The Fall): Adam & Eve make a choice, which changes life forever. The relationship between God, humankind & the world is broken: **sin, evil, suffering** and **death** enter the world for the first time.



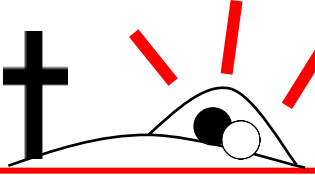
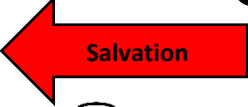
God enters into a series of **covenant agreements** with the people of Israel and gives them the **Law (Torah)** to help them to know how to live well.



God **rescues** the people of Israel many times, and promises them the **Messiah**, a Great Rescuer. The **Messiah** will come in person to save them, make all things right....and restore the relationships broken by the Fall.



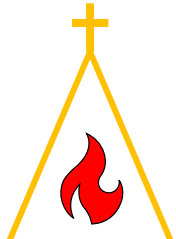
Incarnation: Christians believe that the **Messiah** is **Jesus**. Jesus is God **incarnate (God in the flesh)**, so people can see...
...what **God** is like...
...what it's like in **God's kingdom**.
It's **Good News!**



Salvation: the new covenant reverses the effects of the Fall
✓ **restored relationship** between God & humankind, through **atonement**
✓ **forgiveness** for sins, through **repentance**
✓ gift of God's **Holy Spirit**
✓ **eternal life**
It's **Good News!**



Kingdom of God: in heaven..... it's Good News!
Jesus is King
eternal life
angels worship
God lives with people, forever...
...and one day, there will be a **new heaven & new earth**



Kingdom of God: on earth...
...living as Jesus did: **God's Kingdom** is in the Church, across the world, **worshipping God** through the power of the **Holy Spirit**...
guided by the **Bible**
loving God
loving others
caring for creation



...transforming the world. This is **Good News** too!

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