



Religious Education

Core Concepts and the 'Big Story' of the Bible



Concept 3: Fall

Remember the picture for fall is of an apple.



Definition: A bad separation, against their creator. In this case, between God and human, referred to as sin. The idea that humans are fallen and in need of rescue.



The core concept of fall is found throughout the Old Testament of the Bible.

Year 3 and 4:

Think back to God as the **Creator** of the Universe
Here humans are made in the image of God.



We know that **God the Creator**, cares for the creation, including human beings and they do best, when they listen to God.



Year 5 and 6:

A **psalm** is a prayer that is used in worship.
Psalm 8 is commonly used to explain God as a Creator.
Read the psalm and reflect on the role of God.

O LORD, our Lord, your majestic name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens.

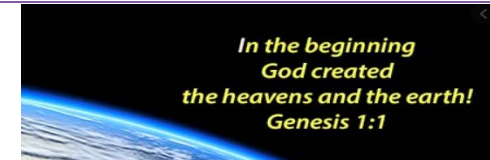
- Psalm 8:1 -

In **Genesis 3**, the Bible tells a story, about how humans spoiled their friendship with God. This is often known as '**the Fall**'.

Humans cannot get close to God without God's help.

For Christians, the Creation account of Genesis, is an essential part of the '**Big Story**' of the Bible. It sets up the context in which human life exists, as part of the relationship with an extraordinary Creator God.

The Bible shows that God wants to help people to be close to him. He keeps his relationship with them, gives them guidelines on good ways to live and offers **forgiveness** even when they make mistakes.



Christians show that they want to be close to God too, through **obedience** and **worship**. This includes saying sorry for making mistakes.



Reflection Point:

Do you think the ideas of Science and Genesis 1 and Christian creation go together? Explain your reasoning.

