



Religious Studies

Y9 Spring 2: Life After Death

	Keyword	Meaning
1	Eschatology	Catholic teachings of life after death
2	Atonement	The reconciliation of God and mankind through Jesus Christ
3	Salvation	Saved from sin
4	Reincarnation	The belief that after death we begin a new life in a new body
5	Holy Week	The last week of Jesus' life
6	Akhirah	In Islam meaning the life after death
7	Near death experience	An experience that takes places when a person is close to death
8	Paranormal	Things that science cannot explain such as mediums and ghosts
9	Resurrection	When a person rises from the dead
10	Incarnation	God took on human form as Jesus

On that day ye will be exposed.
Not a secret of you will be hidden. – Qur'an

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die - John 11:25

Many people claim to have had near death experiences which cannot be explained by human logic or science. Their accounts often contain similar elements: a bright light , separation from their physical body, feelings of calm and peace, despite knowing they are dead, being in a garden interacting with dead friends and relatives

Following the mistake made by Adam and Eve, which led to evil entering the world, God offered **salvation**. This means human souls can be saved from eternal punishment (or separation from God) and are allowed to enter Heaven (and be in the presence of God).

Muslims believe that life after death (Akhirah) exists. They believe that heaven and hell exist and we will all be judged by God. Barzakh is the state between this life and the next. Angels will ask 3 questions about our faith during this time.



Reincarnation is the movement of the soul (atman) into another body to begin a new life. **Hindus** believe that the new body we take on will be determined by the Karma from our previous life.

Karma, or 'action' (in the **Sanskrit** language), means that all actions have consequences. For example, seeds that are planted now will grow into plants in the future, and actions in the present will have positive or negative outcomes in the future. Negative consequences created through negative actions can have effects in this life or future lives.

