

## Pilgrimages

### Christians

- Christians can choose whether or not to be pilgrims. It is not expected in their faith. They may go on a pilgrimage to develop spiritually and bring them closer to God.
- Christians may visit the Holy Land on pilgrimage.
- The Holy Land comprises lots of different Christian pilgrimage sites e.g. Jerusalem and Galilee, as well as pilgrimage sites in Judaism and Islam.
- Christians visit the places where Jesus lived and preached.



### Jains

- Only some Jain sects (those that worship images and have temples) go on pilgrimage.
- Jains believe pilgrimage helps them attain spiritual liberation. It also strengthens faith and binds Jains together in physical hardship.
- Jain pilgrims will follow the lifestyle and attitudes of a Jain ascetic.
- Shatrunjaya is one of 5 holy mountains and contains over 800 temples.



### Inside a Jain temple



### Key Vocabulary

Derasir/Mandir	Jain temple – depends where located in India
ascetic	Jain monk or nun
Digambra	A Jainism sect; name means “sky-clad”
Svetambra	A Jainism sect; name means “white-clad”
tirtha	Jain place of pilgrimage; name means “ford”
tirthankara	Jain who has been on pilgrimage
Rishabhanatha / Adinath	The 1 <sup>st</sup> tirthankara, who went on pilgrimage 99 times
Lord Mahavira/ Vardhamana	Founder of Jainism