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**RELIGIOUS STUDIES (BIBLE KNOWLEDGE)**

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Paper 2 Luke and Acts 1–21:15 (Essay Questions)

**October/November 2013**

**1 hour 45 minutes**

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

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**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your name, Centre number and candidate number on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **five** questions.

Answer at least **two** questions from **each** Section.

Divide your time equally between the questions you attempt.

Your answers should be in continuous prose.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.



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Answer **five** questions.

Answer **two** questions from Section **A** (questions 1 to 5),  
and **two** questions from Section **B** (questions 6 to 10).  
Your **fifth** question may be chosen from **either** section.  
Each question carries 12 marks.

## SECTION A

### The Life and Teaching of Jesus as Portrayed in Luke's Gospel

- 1 (a) Give an account of Jesus' visit to Jerusalem when he was twelve years old. [7]  
(b) What may be learnt from this story about Jesus' person and work? [5]
- 2 (a) Relate the following **two** miracles of Jesus as recorded by Luke,  
(i) the healing of the paralysed man, **and**  
(ii) the healing of the man with the withered hand. [7]  
(b) Why did these two healings cause opposition to Jesus? [5]
- 3 (a) Give an account of what Jesus said during his sermon on the level place about  
(i) hypocrisy, **and**  
(ii) the Wise and Foolish Builders. [7]  
(b) In the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector, explain why the tax collector was justified before God rather than the Pharisee. [5]
- 4 (a) Recount the parable of the Tenants (**RSV** Wicked Tenants). [7]  
(b) What was Jesus teaching in this parable? [5]
- 5 (a) Give an account of Peter's denial of Jesus during his trial before the high priest. [7]  
(b) What do we learn about the character of Peter from Luke's Gospel? [5]

## SECTION B

**The Birth of the Church as Portrayed in the Acts of the Apostles Chapters 1 to 21:15**

- 6 (a) Give an account of what happened and what was said, from the time when Jesus met his disciples for the last time until they returned to Jerusalem. [7]
- (b) How was Peter helped by the Holy Spirit to preach the gospel and bear witness to Jesus? [5]
- 7 (a) Describe
- (i) the part Ananias played in the conversion of Saul, **and**
- (ii) the part Philip played in the conversion of the Ethiopian eunuch. [7]
- (b) Explain why each of these conversions was significant for the spread of the Christian faith. [5]
- 8 (a) Give an account of
- (i) the healing of Aeneas, **and**
- (ii) the raising of Dorcas (Tabitha). [7]
- (b) Explain the different reactions that people had to these and other healings recorded in Acts. [5]
- 9 (a) What do we learn from Acts about the background and ministry of
- (i) Aquila and Priscilla, **and**
- (ii) Silas? [7]
- (b) Why did Barnabas not travel with Paul on his second missionary journey, and suggest reasons why Paul chose to take Silas instead? [5]
- 10 (a) Give an account of Paul's work among both Jews and Gentiles during his visit to Corinth. [7]
- (b) What do the 'we passages' reveal about the authorship of Acts? [5]

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