
RELIGIOUS STUDIES (BIBLE KNOWLEDGE)

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Paper 1 The portrayal of the life and teaching of Jesus

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1 hour 30 minutes

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Answer any **four** questions.

Where there are differences in quotations from the Bible,

NIV indicates New International Version,

RSV indicates Revised Standard Version.

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



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Answer any **four** questions.

- 1 (a) Give an account of the temptations of Jesus in the wilderness (**NIV** desert). [6]
- (b) Explain why any **two** of these temptations were testing for Jesus. [6]
- (c) 'It makes no sense in the modern world to think of the devil as a real being.'
To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]
- 2 (a) Give an account of **two** events during which Jesus came into conflict with the Pharisees. [6]
- (b) Explain the main differences between Pharisees and Sadducees. [6]
- (c) 'Having a knowledge and understanding of the religious setting of Matthew's Gospel is of very little help in understanding it.'
To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]
- 3 (a) Give an account of Jesus' meeting with the rich young man. [6]
- (b) Explain Jesus' answers to the rich man and the disciples as to why it may be difficult for a rich person to enter the kingdom of heaven. [6]
- (c) 'To be a disciple of Jesus you must give up all that you have.'
To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]
- 4 (a) Give an account of the parable about the sheep and the goats. [6]
- (b) Explain what this parable might mean. [6]
- (c) 'Jesus' parables were all about how people should behave towards others.'
To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]
- 5 (a) Give an account of what happened and what was said in the Garden of Gethsemane, up until the crowd came to arrest Jesus. [6]
- (b) Explain what this event could teach about the person and work of Jesus. [6]
- (c) Discuss the meanings of the title 'Son of Man'. [8]

- 6 (a) Give an account of Jesus' crucifixion from the sixth hour until the centurion's statement that Jesus was the Son of God. [6]
- (b) Explain why the events outlined in part (a) could be seen as significant. [6]
- (c) 'The resurrection of Jesus is more important for Christians than his death.'
To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

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