
RELIGIOUS STUDIES (BIBLE KNOWLEDGE)

2048/13

Paper 1 The Portrayal of the Life and Teaching of Jesus

October/November 2019

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) Describe **two** religious groups at the time of Jesus. [6]
- (b) Explain why Jesus was often in conflict with the religious authorities during his life. [6]
- (c) 'Jesus should not have challenged the authorities.'
To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

[Total: 20]

- 2 (a) Give an account of what John the Baptist said to:
- (i) the crowd (**RSV** multitudes), tax collectors and soldiers **and**
- (ii) those who wondered if John the Baptist was the Christ. [6]
- (b) Explain Jesus' response to the messengers John the Baptist sent to him. [6]
- (c) 'John the Baptist did not think Jesus was the Messiah.'
To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

[Total: 20]

- 3 (a) Describe the healing of the paralytic (**RSV** paralysed man). [6]
- (b) Explain why this miracle surprised those who saw it. [6]
- (c) 'People today are too weak in faith to believe in miracles.'
To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

[Total: 20]

- 4 (a) Give an account of:
- (i) the occasion when Peter declared that Jesus was the Christ of God **and**
- (ii) what Jesus then said to all the disciples about following him. [6]
- (b) Explain how the disciples showed courage in following Jesus. [6]
- (c) 'It is impossible to follow the example of Jesus.'
To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

[Total: 20]

- 5 (a) Give an account of the parable of the Rich Fool, including the question Jesus was asked before he told the parable. [6]
- (b) Explain the teachings in this parable about the purpose of life and the use of wealth. [6]
- (c) 'Christians should not rely on God to give them what they need.'
To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

[Total: 20]

- 6 (a) Give an account of:
- (i) the trial of Jesus by the council **and**
- (ii) the reason he was then sent to Pilate for trial. [6]
- (b) Explain what the trial by the council tells us about the identity of Jesus. [6]
- (c) 'Jesus could not avoid his death.'
To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

[Total: 20]

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