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Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

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

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name 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 **four** questions.

Answer at least **one** question from **each** Section.

You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

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

All questions in this paper carry equal marks.

This document consists of **4** printed pages.



Section A

Answer at least **one** question from this section.

If you choose question **1**, answer in **one** version only.

1 Corinthians and 1 Thessalonians

REVISED STANDARD VERSION

- 1** Comment on points of interest or difficulty in **four** of the following, with brief reference to the general context:
- (a) For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. (1 Corinthians 1:21)
 - (b) Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God? You are not your own... (1 Corinthians 6:19)
 - (c) In the same way also (he took) the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Corinthians 11:25-26)
 - (d) ...for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. (1 Corinthians 16:18-19)
 - (e) Therefore when we could bear it no longer, we were willing to be left behind at Athens alone, and we sent Timothy, our brother and God's servant in the gospel of Christ, to establish you in your faith and to exhort you, that no one be moved by these afflictions. (1 Thessalonians 3:1-3a)
 - (f) But we would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. (1 Thessalonians 4:13)

NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION

- 1 Comment on points of interest or difficulty in **four** of the following, with brief reference to general context:
 - (a) For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe.
(1 Corinthians 1:21)
 - (b) Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own...
(1 Corinthians 6:19)
 - (c) In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Corinthians 11:25-26)
 - (d) For they refreshed my spirit and yours also. Such men deserve recognition. The churches in the province of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Priscilla greet you warmly in the Lord, and so does the church that meets at their house.
(1 Corinthians 16:18-19)
 - (e) So when we could stand it no longer, we thought it best to be left by ourselves in Athens. We sent Timothy, who is our brother and God's fellow-worker in spreading the gospel of Christ, to strengthen and encourage you in your faith, so that no-one would be unsettled by these trials.
(1 Thessalonians 3:1-3a)
 - (f) Brothers, we do not want you to be ignorant about those who fall asleep, or to grieve like the rest of men, who have no hope.
(1 Thessalonians 4:13)
- 2 When and why was 1 Corinthians written?
- 3 Examine Paul's teaching in 1 Corinthians and 1 Thessalonians on marriage and relations between the sexes.
- 4 How serious were the misunderstandings in the churches at Corinth and Thessalonica concerning the resurrection of Christians and the second coming of Christ, and how did Paul deal with them?

Section B

Answer at least **one** question from this section.

- 5 How trustworthy is Acts as a history of the early church?
- 6 In what ways did Paul's religious and theological beliefs change after his conversion?
- 7 Compare the teaching on faith and works in James and Galatians. What light, if any, does this throw on the reasons why James was written?
- 8 Discuss the teaching in Colossians on Christian conduct and relationships, and the principles on which this teaching is based.
- 9 'While a number of interesting suggestions have been made about the authorship of Hebrews, the only thing which can be said with any degree of confidence is that it was not written by Paul.' Discuss.
- 10 Assess the religious, political and economic factors which aided or hindered the spread of Christianity in the apostolic age.

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