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Religious Studies

Paper 4

Christianity through a Study
of the Gospel of Matthew



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MONDAY 21 JANUARY, MORNING

TIME

1 hour 30 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

Do not write outside the boxed area on each page or on blank pages.

Complete in black ink only. **Do not write with a gel pen.**

Answer **all** the questions in **Section A** and **two** from **three** questions in **Section B** in the spaces provided in this booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 105.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.

Spelling, punctuation and accurate use of grammar will be assessed in Section B

Questions **5(c)**, **6(c)** and **7(c)**, where **two** questions only are required to be completed.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

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Section A

Answer **all** questions.

1 Parables

(a) (i) What is a parable?

_____ [1]

(ii) Give **one** reason why Jesus used parables.

_____ [1]

(iii) In the parable of the sower, what happened to the seed that fell

1. on the path? _____

2. on the rocky ground? _____

3. amongst the thorns? _____ [3]



(b) Explain the meaning of the parable of the workers in the vineyard.

[5]

(c) “The parables of Jesus are still the best way to spread the gospel message.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer.

[5]

[Turn over



2 The Transfiguration of Jesus

(a) (i) Where did the Transfiguration take place?

_____ [1]

(ii) Name **one** way in which Jesus' appearance changed.

_____ [1]

(iii) Name **one** Old Testament figure who talked with Jesus.

_____ [1]

(iv) What did Peter want to build?

_____ [1]

(v) Name another disciple apart from Peter who was present at this event.

_____ [1]



(b) "It was easier for the disciples to believe in God than it is for people today."

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer showing that you have considered different points of view.

[10]

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3 Jesus' entry into Jerusalem

As Jesus and his disciples approached Jerusalem, they came to Bethphage at the Mount of Olives. There Jesus sent two of the disciples on ahead ² with these instructions: "Go to the village there ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied up with her colt beside her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ And if anyone says anything, tell him, 'The Master needs them'; and then he will let them go at once."

⁴ This happened in order to make come true what the prophet had said:

© Matthew 21 v 1-4 (GNT) previously known as GNB

(a) Complete Matthew's account of the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem

[5]



(b) Explain what this story tells us about the identity of Jesus.

[5]

(c) “The decision to enter Jerusalem was not an easy one for Jesus.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer.

[5]

[Turn over



4 Miracles

(a) Describe the miracle of Jesus healing a paralysed man.

[5]



(b) “Faith is necessary for miracles to happen.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer showing that you have considered different points of view.

[10]

[Turn over]



Section B

Answer **two** from **three** questions.

Five marks will be awarded for spelling, punctuation and accurate use of grammar in part (c) of your answers.

5 The Sermon on the Mount

(a) Describe what Jesus taught about how to pray in the Sermon on the Mount.

[5]

Use the lines below if required.



(b) Explain how the Lord's Prayer can help Christians to pray.

[5]

Use the lines below if required.

[Turn over





Use the lines below if required to answer Question 5(c).

Horizontal lines for writing the answer to Question 5(c).



6 The Nature of Christian Discipleship

(a) Retell the story of Jesus' meeting with the rich young man.

[5]

Use the lines below if required.



(b) Explain the challenges faced by the first disciples in following Jesus.

[5]

Use the lines below if required.

[Turn over





Use the lines below if required to answer Question 6(c).

Horizontal lines for writing the answer to Question 6(c).



7 Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus

(a) Describe Matthew's account of the visit of the women to the tomb.

[5]

Use the lines below if required.



(b) Explain why the Jewish religious leaders wanted to put Jesus to death.

[5]

Use the lines below if required.



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