
RELIGIOUS STUDIES (BIBLE KNOWLEDGE)

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Paper 2 The portrayal of the birth of the early church

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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 arguments to support the view that the Acts of the Apostles was written after 64CE. [6]
 (b) Explain why some might disagree with this dating of the writing of Acts of the Apostles. [6]
 (c) 'It does not matter when the Acts of the Apostles was written.'
 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 what happened when the Holy Spirit was given at Pentecost before Peter addressed the crowd. [6]
 (b) Explain what could be learnt from the Acts of the Apostles about the work of the Holy Spirit. [6]
 (c) 'The church would not have existed without the coming of the Holy Spirit.'
 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 Cornelius' vision and of Peter's vision when he was in Joppa. [6]
 (b) Explain why Peter's vision was important for the spread of the church. [6]
 (c) 'Paul was more important than Peter in bringing about the spread of the church.'
 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 events in Lystra during Paul's first missionary journey. [6]
 (b) Explain why Paul met opposition from the Jews during his first missionary journey. [6]
 (c) Discuss the changing relationship between Barnabas and Paul. [8]
- 5 (a) Give an account of Paul's speech at Athens. [6]
 (b) Explain why Paul was asked to address the people at Athens. [6]
 (c) 'Paul's speeches always resulted in hostility towards him.'
 To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

- 6 (a) Give an account of Paul's stay in Caesarea during his third missionary journey. [6]
- (b) Explain what could be learnt about the role of a prophet from the Acts of the Apostles. [6]
- (c) 'Agabus could not have known about Paul's future or the famine.'

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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