



Christianity

General Certificate of Education (Ord. Level) Examination

Question paper & Answers

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Marking Scheme

First paper

	Marks
(1) First paper 40 x 1	40

Second Paper

(2) First question is compulsory	20
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For the selected questions 10 Marks for each	40
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Total Marks for II paper is 60

Total Marks	100
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Christianity 1 & 2 - 3 hours

Christianity 1

(i) *Answer all questions.*

(ii) *In each of the questions 1 to 40, pick one of the alternatives (1), (2), (3), (4) which you consider as **correct or most appropriate**.*

(iii) *Mark a cross (X) on the number corresponding to your choice in the answer sheet provided.*

(iv) *(iv) Further instructions are given on the back of the answer sheet. Follow them carefully.*

- 1) "A voice crying in the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord..." Who proclaimed the above words?
 - 1) Prophet Isaiah
 - 2) Prophet Micah
 - 3) Prophet Malachi
 - 4) Prophet Amos

- 2) The following was **not** a Common Characteristic of Elizabeth & Zachariah
 - 1) Righteousness & faith
 - 2) Praise & doubt
 - 3) Doubt and humility
 - 4) To understand & to be understood

- 3) Your response based on Mary's life should be,
 - 1) Quick response to any message.
 - 2) To take care of one's relations.
 - 3) To submit to God's will
 - 4) Wishing good news.

- 4) The woman leadership held in Philippi,
 - 1) Pricilla
 - 2) Dorcus
 - 3) Lydia
 - 4) Woman who was freed of an evil spirit

- 5) According to the Prophet Isaiah Jesus was,
 - 1) Hope to the people in Bethlehem.
 - 2) Light to those who lived in darkness.
 - 3) Happiness to those who were exiled in Babylon.
 - 4) A great challenge to Prophets.

- 6) Pilate gave the verdict to crucify Jesus because,
 - 1) He respected its law.
 - 2) The increase in people's protest..
 - 3) The need to free Barabbas
 - 4) Jesus did not ask to be freed, released..

- 7) What privileges does one receive through Christian baptism?
 - A) The birth of a new life through the Holy Spirit.
 - B) Physical cleanliness.
 - C) Inheriting social acceptance.
 - D) Receiving forgiveness

The Most suitable are;

 - 1) A and B
 - 2) A and C
 - 3) A and D
 - 4) B and D

- 8) If John the Baptist comes today what will tell the ordinary people?
 - 1) The importance of justice.
 - 2) The importance of using ones authenticity rightly
 - 3) The value of faith in action.
 - 4) Importance of sharing

- 9) “Do you not know I must be in my father’s house?”
We receive the following guidance from this statement.
- 1) We need to understand the mission of the kingdom of God.
 - 2) To inquire after the knowledge of the elders.
 - 3) Spend time in the house of God.
 - 4) We must distance ourselves from our parents.
- 10) Those who seek the growth in the kingdom of God must
- 1) Work for the expansion of the church
 - 2) Imagine there are no obstacles
 - 3) Seek equal growth all the time
 - 4) Have faith in God’s power
- 11) For peace to be reality
- 1) There should be political stability.
 - 2) Justice and righteousness must established.
 - 3) The importance to condemn violence.
 - 4) To avoid judging others.
- 12) To tie your girdle and have your lamps lit.
What is **contradictory** to this statement.
- 1) Wait in anticipation.
 - 2) Be ready.
 - 3) To wait till you are informed.
 - 4) To be awake and wait patiently.
- 13) According to the values of the Good shepherd Christian leaders.
- 1) Should state their authority
 - 2) Should study the nature of the flock.
 - 3) Should see to the growth of numbers of the flock.
 - 4) Must nurture the flock with dedication.
- 14) The greatness of love is revealed,
- 1) Through your love towards God and loving those who are in need.
 - 2) By not submitting to evil.
 - 3) By obeying the elders.
 - 4) By behaving in a decent manner.
- 15) The one who proclaimed peace is,
- 1) Prophet Amos
 - 2) Prophet Micah
 - 3) Prophet Malachi
 - 4) Prophet Hosea
- 16) Those who are influenced by Paul’s experience in the storm during his journey to Rome, must do the following when they experience crisis,
- 1) To accumulate wealth.
 - 2) To identify the nature of a crisis.
 - 3) To run away from challenges.
 - 4) To bear witness in faith.
- 17) The main cause for the conversion of Zacchaeus was,
- 1) The struggle to understand his fault.
 - 2) The desire to meet Jesus.
 - 3) The acceptance by Jesus.
 - 4) Marginalization of him by the people.
- 18) As Jesus was so are Christians tempted today
- A) The challenge of providing food.
 - B) The challenge to obey the power of evil.
 - C) The challenge to achieve/ win popularity.
 - D) The challenge to control God’s power.

The Most suitable are;

- 1) A and B 2) B and C 3) B and D 4) C and D

- 19) The statement which reveals justice is,
- 1) Cleanse me from my sins.
 - 2) Justice must flow like a stream and righteous as a ever flowing stream.
 - 3) They shall beat their swords into plough shares and their spears into pruning hooks.
 - 4) They shall all sit under their vine and under their fig tree.
- 20) Based on Paul's teachings in Ephesus, some Christians face the following challenges. 1)
Search for the new ways in spite of losing employment.
- 2) To worship the one God and avoid false teachings.
 - 3) To retreat amidst conflicts.
 - 4) The temptation to imitate false things.
- 21) The appropriate response when called to serve God should be,
- 1) To study theology and then follow.
 - 2) To follow after brothers and sisters complete their studies.
 - 3) To temporarily postpone higher studies and follow.
 - 4) To follow by giving one's entire time to ministry.
- 22) Your Christian responsibility to children who have gone astray in society is 1) To explain to them the aim of the kingdom of God.
- 2) To find out the reason that led them to go astray.
 - 3) Through their repentance show them what it means to be a child of God and accept them.
 - 4) To explain to them the danger of sin.
- 23) The Christian who follows the suffering servant,
- 1) Should avoid suffering.
 - 2) Should be victorious amidst suffering.
 - 3) Should search for God's kingdom will amidst suffering and persecution.
 - 4) 4) Should show compassion to those who suffer.
- 24) A challenge the Christian church faces today from the first disciples is,
- 1) To make people happy. 2) To obey the leader.
 - 3) To seek unity amidst diversity. 4) To engage in fishing.
- 25) The blessings of God's kingdom will be inherited by the poor,
- 1) Because their needs will be fulfilled.
 - 2) Because they will depend on God always.
 - 3) Because being rich will be a woe.
 - 4) Because they will be able to laugh.
- 26) The guidance that the oppressed receive from the history of Israel is,
- 1) To worship God and cry unto him regularly.
 - 2) To groan against those who persecute.
 - 3) To rise against those who persecute.
 - 4) To bear the suffering.

- 27) The Christian who is inspired by the triumphal entry of Jesus to Jerusalem should
- 1) Act only in humility.
 - 2) Act in peace and solidarity.
 - 3) Shout for joy on the streets
 - 4) Act victoriously.
- 28) The act/ gesture of Joseph of Arimathea becomes special because he,
- 1) Respected the dead body of Jesus.
 - 2) Condemned the actions of Jews.
 - 3) Was a close associate of Jesus?
 - 4) Bore witness to the truth at a decisive moment.
- 29) The fulfillment of the law and prophets in Jesus was revealed, 1) At the baptism in the river Jordan.
- 2) At the witness of Peter that Jesus is the living savior.
 - 3) At the experience at the mount of transfiguration.
 - 4) At the encounter of Jesus after his resurrection.
- 30) You who follow the prayer of Jesus at Gethsemane should,
- 1) Face spiritual struggle.
 - 2) Pray for the enemies.
 - 3) Work for the recovery of the people.
 - 4) Deny one self and give way to God's will.
- 31) The example to the inner emptiness of the Pharisees as stated by Jesus is seen when,
- 1) One tries to renovate the church hall and engrave their names on a plaque.
 - 2) Pharisees deeds of a dead person that was not evident in his life.
 - 3) One is concerned about external purity.
 - 4) One lays a foundation stone for an elder's home.
- 32) The hope of Abraham and Moses are important because they,
- 1) Were hope to fulfill God's will
 - 2) Were hope to develop social leadership.
 - 3) Did not face suffering in trying to achieve those hopes.
 - 4) Were corporate hopes.
- 33) Why does the present day society strive hard to become slaves to money,
- A) They are attracted to what they see and hear.
 - B) Society seeks to help others.
 - C) People are drawn to the faith.
 - D) Society is captive to competition.

The Most suitable are;

- 2) A and B 2) A and C 3) A and D 4) C and D

- 34) "I was sick and you looked after me." This saying of Jesus became practical,
- 1) To treat the father the son sends him abroad.
 - 2) A church member sending money to help a poor woman who is sick.
 - 3) A poor person sending part of his daily earning to the cancer hospital.
 - 4) A daily visit to the hospital to see the friend who met with an accident.

- 35) The example of Peter who did not fear amidst challenge,
- 1) When Peter denied Jesus.
 - 2) Preaching in spite of not getting permission from the council.
 - 3) When providing answers to questions raised by Jesus.
 - 4) When he preached the sermon on the Day of Pentecost.
- 36) The lesson we Christians learn from the poor widow's sacrifice is,
- 1) To appreciate the quality of sacrifice.
 - 2) To respect the care of the righteous.
 - 3) To increase the value of the sacrifice.
 - 4) To decide the aim of the sacrifice.
- 37) The greatest lesson that the present day church learns from the early church is,
- 1) Conducting daily worship and healing service.
 - 2) A full time mission and Evangelical work.
 - 3) To teach and witness to living Lord.
 - 4) To engage and encourage welfare work.
- 38) We need to emphasize Christian Church unity because,
- 1) Christ is the head, the whole body must be united.
 - 2) Jesus broke the middle wall of enmity between nations.
 - 3) To emphasize the forgiveness we receive from the cross.
 - 4) Apostles must keep everything in common.
- 39) Christians who are striving to bring about coexistence in the pluralistic society of today,
- 1) Must rise above all divisions and spread God's love.
 - 2) To appreciate the equality of other faiths.
 - 3) Look into ways of protecting the environment.
 - 4) To take part in cultural festivals even if not invited.
- 40) For what purpose did Prophet Isaiah receive his call?
- A) To forgive the sins of gentiles.
 - B) To increase the faith of people.
 - C) To proclaim the holiness of God.
 - D) To carry out a difficult task.

The most appropriate answers are,

- 3) A and B 2) A and C 3) A and D 4) C and D

Answers for 1st Paper

Question No	Answer	Question No	Answer	Question No	Answer	Question No	Answer
01	1	11	2	21	4	31	3
02	4	12	3	22	3	32	1
03	3	13	4	23	3	33	3
04	3	14	1	24	3	34	3
05	2	15	2	25	2	35	2
06	2	16	4	26	1	36	1
07	3	17	3	27	2	37	3
08	4	18	2	28	4	38	1
09	1	19	2	29	3	39	1
10	4	20	2	30	4	40	4

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- ❖ *Answer Five (5) questions, including questions **one** and **four** other questions.*
- ❖ *The first question carries **20** marks and each of the other question carries **10** marks.*

1. (i) (a) Who was called the “prophet of the most high”?
(b) In whose song of praise is it found?
- (ii) What are the **two** proverbs Jesus quoted at the Synagogue of Nazareth?
- (iii) (a) Name the person who helped Jesus to carry the cross?
(b) What is the challenge given to Christians by this action?
- (iv) “Why do you look for the living among the dead”
(a) To whom did the angels say these words?
(b) Today what important message do we get by these words?
- (v) “Lord do not trouble yourself to come under my roof... But say the word & my servant will be healed.”
Give to **two** important Characteristics expressed by the centurion in the above saying.
- (vi) (a) State which of the 10 commandments is laid down with promise.
(b) Write down that commandment?
- (vii) I am sending my messenger to prepare the way **before me**,
(a) Name the prophet who proclaimed these words.
(b) Explain the words highlighted in the bold letters.
- (viii) (a) What is the new covenant Jesus established on earth for us?
(b) When did he establish the covenant?
- (ix) Name the Jewish leader who came by night to meet Jesus to seek answers for his questions.
What teachings do we get from the response of Jesus?
- (x) Name **two** Christian Priests in recent times who went to prison cell and granted forgiveness to those who wronged them.

(2 x 10 = 20 Marks)

2. (i) (a) „Go and do likewise“ to whom did Jesus say these words?
(b) What was the background incident for this saying?
- (ii) (a) What are the **three** characters of the parable of Jesus as respond to that situation?
(b) How did those respond to that situation?
- (iii) Write **five** good qualities or values highlighted in the good characters of the parable which we can take as examples to our lives?
3. „The main religious groups in the Jewish society had dialogues with Jesus.“
- (i) (a) Name the **two** main religious groups at that time.
(b) State what their centers were.

- (ii) Write down the response of Jesus to the following challenges they brought to him.
- (a) Associating sinners
 - (b) Healing on the Sabbath Day
 - (c) Question regarding resurrection
- (iii) What truths should we follow in our lives from the responses of Jesus to the above challenges?

4. „ Jesus was a great teacher“

- (i) Give **two** methods Jesus adopted in order to reveal the deep truths of the Kingdom.
- (ii) Complete the follow words of blessings Jesus proclaimed in the sermon on the plain.
- (a) Blessed are you who are poor
 - (b) Blessed are you who are hungry.....
 - (c) Blessed are you who weep now
- (iii) What are the spiritual truths of the above saying that we should follow in our daily lives?

5. (i) (a) Name the person who was selected to go with Paul on the 1st Missionary journey.
 (b) How did the disciples of Antioch prepare before they were selected?
- (ii) Select **three** of the following places and give the challenges they had to face in these cities

- (a) Papas
- (b) Lustra
- (c) Philippi
- (d) Athens

- (iii) Write **five** guidance can the present day missionaries & Christians get from the actions of Paul

6. “Where your treasure is there will your heart also”

- (i) Name **two** parables Jesus brought forward to show the evils of wealth.
- (ii) Write **three** teachings of Jesus about wealth using the above parables.
- (iii) Write **five** ways in which you can help a child in need to overcome poverty.

7. Select **two** of the following topics & write short notes with examples from the bible.

- (i) Prayer
- (ii) Thankfulness
- (iii) Guidance to the modern church from the early church.
- (iv) Importance of the role of Prophet.

Answers – Paper 11

1. Compulsory Question

- (i) 1. John the Baptist
2. Song of Zachariah
- (ii) 1. Physician (doctor) heal yourself
2. No prophet is accepted in his own country
- (iii) 1. Simon of Cyrene
2. We may be called at a time most unexpected to help someone in need.
- (iv) 1. 1st day of the week to the women who went to the tomb of Jesus.
2. That Christ is risen and he lives among us.
- (v) 1. The centurion who was humble in the presence of Christ He had complete faith

- (vi) Honor (obey) your father and mother that your days will be long on the land God has given to you
 - (vii) Prophet Malachi, John will go before the Lord.
 - (viii) New covenant is – Jesus was crucified and poured his blood to forgive our sins. This was established on the feast of the Passover.
 - (ix) Nicodemus
By accepting Christ and transforming one's life for the better.
 - (x) Peter Gerard de Silva
Pope John Paul 11
2. (i) Jesus to Rabbai (teacher/lawyer)
When he asked Jesus who is my neighbor?
- (ii) Priest – Saw the fallen man and went to the other side of the road.
Levite – do do do do
Samaritan - stopped near the man, kept him on the donkey and took him to an inn, gave his money and was kind.
- (iii) (1) To be helpful in need without looking in to nationality.
(2) To devote your time for the well being of others.
(3) When money is needed share with others.
(4) Devote your comfort and the sacrificial.
(5) As the Samaritan gave the medicine which he had, we to share our talents.
(6) To rise above all differences in order to be helpful
3. (i) Pharisee – Synagogue
Temple of Jerusalem
- (ii) Associating with sinners – It is not the healthy who needs a doctor but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repent.
Healing on the Sabbath day – Which is lawful on the Sabbath, to do good or to do evil, to save life or to destroy it?
Question about the resurrection – Day of resurrection – they will not weary nor will be given in marriage. They are God's children. They are children of the resurrection.
- (iii) (1) To associate those who have gone astray and bring them to the right path.
i. Human life is more important than the law.
ii. On the Sunday or Sabbath day to do good deeds.
iii. Those who are rejected in society to show acceptance.
iv. To believe that there is resurrection and strive to gain it.
4. (i) Using Aramaic language, parables, miracles and using the environment.
- (ii) Blessed are the poor for theirs is the Kingdom of God.
Blessed are those who are hungry they shall be filled.
Blessed are those who weep for they shall laugh.
- (iii) To help others in order to achieve the Kingdom of God by having the necessity or hunger to hear the word of God.
To take God's word into our own life in order to help needy.
To mourn and comfort those who are sad and help them to overcome their situation.
Rejoice with those who are happy because the kingdom of God is among them.

5.

- (i)
 - 1. Barnabas
 - 2. Fasting and praying
- (ii) **Phapas** Bar Jesus _ attempted to stop paul preaching to the governors of the country but overcame that situation by the power of the holy spirit_ and many believed.
Lystra A man who was crippled from birth was healed by Paul and Barnabas so the people thought god's have come in human form and tried to worship them. But paul said it was by the power of Jesus and gave glory to God.
Phillippi A girl posed with a demon was healed. So the two missionaries wer imprisoned unjustly. But right through the night they prayed and sang to God. Chains were loosened they did not go away. The jail guard and his family were baptized. Through they tried to send them away secretly Paul stood for justice and asked them to release them publicly.
Atheus Paul made use the altar to an unknown god tom introduce Christ. He made use to an unknown god to introduce Christ. He made use of the literature and also he was able to argue with philosophers to introduce the risen Lord.
- (iii) Always courageous and faced challenges and showed leadership.
Acted with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. With miracles healed and helped the needy
Did not take honour for themselves, gave glory to God. Witness to the living Christ, always in preaching.

6.

- (i) The parable of the rich fool and the parable of the sick man and Lazarus.
 - (ii) The bad results of having worldly wealth
It is important to share our wealth.
The worldly treasures get destroyed.
The worldly treasures are short lived.
You cannot take worldly treasurers to heaven.
 - (iii) To help in cash (money)
To help by the talents and abilities you have.
Look for the special capabilities of the child and help to achieve on those lines.
To help in the education area so that he/ she can have a good future.
To get together with other children who cannot afford to buy books etc.
7. (i) Prayer - It is great and powerful instrument we Christians have to have good relationship with God. When Jesus used prayer to overcome temptation and to seek God's will.
Eg. Prayer at Gethsemane, Lord 's Prayer to ask for one's daily needs, to forgive others, to seek the guidance of the Holy spirit.
- (iii) Thankfulness - To thank for all the daily blessings you receive, for good health and help to overcome daily problems.
Eg. The 100 lepers, one only came to thank, Jesus showed how important to thank for whatever we receive.
 - (iv) Special features of the 1st Christian Church - Togetherness, sharing, praying, teaching the word of God, communion daily, brotherhood, having everything in common, seeking guidance of the Holy Spirit, to discuss and come to agreement when problems arose.
 - (v) Importance of prophecies - Things that have been revealed by prophecies, coming of Messiah, the forerunner to Christ by Prophet Malachai.

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