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BIBLE KNOWLEDGE 2
(For Both School and Private Candidates)

Time: 2:30 Hours

Wednesday, 13th November 2013 p.m.

Instructions

1. This paper consists of sections A, B, and C. Section A consists of questions from the Gospel according to Matthew, Section B from the Gospel according to Luke and Section C from the Acts of the Apostles.
2. Answer a total of **five (5)** questions.
3. Choose **three (3)** questions from **either** section A or B; and any **two (2)** questions from section C.
4. Question **1** is compulsory for candidates who choose questions from section A and question **5** is compulsory for those choosing questions from section B.
5. Each question carries **twenty (20)** marks.
6. Cellular phones, Bibles and other unauthorized materials are **not** allowed in the examination room.
7. Write your **Examination Number** on every page of your answer booklet(s).

SECTION A: THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

Answer question 1 and any other two (2) questions from this section.

1. Answer the following questions according to Matthew:

(a) Explain Jesus' teaching concerning the Law by giving five particular matters he taught in Matthew 5:17-48. **(14 marks)**

(b) The collectors of the half-shekel tax went to Peter and said "Does not your teacher pay the tax?" (Matthew 17:24).

(i) Tell the context of the story in at least two paragraphs. **(04 marks)**

(ii) Provide one lesson which can be obtained from the story. **(02 marks)**

2. In Matthew 13 we have the parables of the kingdom of God.

(a) Mention four parables of the kingdom of God apart from the parable of the sower. **(02 marks)**

(b) Describe the parable of the sower showing the four various areas on which the sower sowed the seeds. **(08 marks)**

(c) Give at least five interpretations of the parable of the sower. **(10 marks)**

3. "And so I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven..." (Matthew 16:18-19).

(a) Recite the conversation which led to the quotation above. **(08 marks)**

(b) Explain the significance of the following terms in relation to the conversation in (a) above.

(i) Flesh and Blood **(04 marks)**

(ii) Rock **(04 marks)**

(iii) Church **(04 marks)**

4. In Matthew 18:21-53, Jesus gave a parable of the unforgiving (merciless) servant/slave.

(a) Identify and describe at least five scenes of the parable. **(10 marks)**

(b) Interpret the parable by providing at least five important issues. **(10 marks)**

SECTION B: THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE

Answer **question 5** and **any other two (2)** questions from this section.

5. Answer the following questions according to Luke:
- (a) Provide the four beatitudes and their opposite (the four woes) according to Luke 6:20-26; and explain what Jesus meant in his teaching through the beatitudes and woes. **(10 marks)**
 - (b) The Gospel of Luke is sometimes characterized as the gospel of absolute renunciation. Justify this assertion by giving at least four examples. **(10 marks)**
6. Explain the condition for entry into the kingdom of God, using the story of little children who were being brought to Jesus and the story of the rich young ruler in Luke 18:15-34. **(20 marks)**
7. And Jesus said to Zacchaeus, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham" (Luke 19:9).
- (a) Explain the event which led Jesus to say these words by showing at least five stages (steps) of the event. **(10 marks)**
 - (b) Give five relevant teachings you can get from the story today. **(10 marks)**
8. "And who is my neighbour?" (Luke 10:29).
- (a) Who asked the question above and for what intention? **(02 marks)**
 - (b) Jesus answer to the question was in a form of parable. Describe Jesus' answer to the question. **(10 marks)**
 - (c) Explain four lessons we can learn from Jesus' answer. **(08 marks)**

SECTION C: THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Answer **two (2)** questions from this section.

9. In each of his missionary journeys, Paul encountered opposition from the devil to discourage him from propagating the Good News to the world. Justify this assertion using two events from the Book of Acts. **(20 marks)**
10. "What shall we do with these men? For that a notable sign has been performed through them is manifest to all the inhabitant of Jerusalem, and we cannot deny it" (Acts 4:16).
- (a) Explain the story from which this quotation was taken by showing at least six events. **(16 marks)**
 - (b) Write down two relevant lessons which can be drawn from the event. **(04 marks)**
11. According to Acts 20:17-38
- (a) Describe Paul's farewell speech at Miletus. **(14 marks)**

(b) Using Paul's farewell speech, write three key issues to be born in mind by the Missionaries in their mission work. **(06 marks)**

12. It is said that Herod Agrippa I killed James the brother of John, and when he saw that the action pleased the Jews he imprisoned Peter, but God freed Peter and killed Herod. Justify this statement using Acts 12:1-24; taking into account the death of James and imprisonment of Peter, the freeing of Peter and Herod's death. **(20 marks)**