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BIBLE KNOWLEDGE

(For Both School and Private candidates)

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Instructions

1. This paper consists of sections **A, B** and **C** with a total of **thirteen (13)** questions.
2. Answer **all** questions in section **A**, **five (5)** questions from section **B** and **two (2)** questions from section **C**.
3. Question **3** and **4** are **Compulsory**.
4. Cellular phones, Bibles and any unauthorized materials are **not** allowed in the examination room.
5. Write your **Examination Number** on every page of your answer booklet (s)

SECTION A (25 MARKS)

Answer **all** questions in this section

1. Choose the correct answer for each item (i) to (xx) and write its letter in the booklet provided:

i) According to the Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7, what qualities were the deacons supposed to have?

- A. Men full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom.
- B. Men from Jerusalem and Greek speaking Jews.
- C. Greek speaking Jews and wisdom.
- D. Good looking men and men full of the Holy Spirit.
- E. Men from Jerusalem and from missionary descent.

ii) What were the common duties of both the major and minor judges of the Old Testament?

- A. Activists, deliverers and priests.
- B. Leaders, activists and judges.
- C. Rulers, deliverers and leaders.
- D. Leaders, scribes and prophets.
- E. Judges, prophets and kings.

iii) : Esau said to Jacob, “I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me (Genesis 25:32). What does this story teach?

- A. We should be careful with what we eat.
- B. We should be careful with whom we talk.
- C. We should be careful with what we do.
- D. We should be careful with our commitments.
- E. We should be careful with what we desire.

iv) Which description shows the reason for God to commend the life of baby Moses into the hands of the daughter of Pharaoh?

- A. Pharaoh's daughter had been forced by her maidens to do so to save the baby.
 - B. Pharaoh's daughter had no child and God wanted her to have her own baby.
 - C. Pharaoh's daughter had pity for the baby and God used her to rescue the baby.
 - D. Pharaoh's daughter was afraid of people who were around and so she saved him.
 - E. Pharaoh's daughter was courageous to act contrary to her father who killed babies.
- v) What did Joshua instruct his people to spare during the destruction of Jericho?
- A. To spare anything made of silver, gold and iron.
 - B. To spare only the people of Jericho.
 - C. To spare all except those who will fight them.
 - D. To spare all the animals in Jericho.
 - E. To spare Rahab and her household only.
- vi) "Rise and go to the street of straight, and inquire in the house of Judas for man of Tarsus named Saul" (Acts 9:11). Why was Ananias sent to Saul?
- A. To pray and worship with him.
 - B. To lay hands and baptize him.
 - C. To eat and celebrate with him.
 - D. To worship and sing with him.
 - E. To fast and adore with him.
- vii) "Be fruitful, multiply and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves over the earth" (Genesis 1:28). What do we learn from this

quotation?

- A. We are valuable in God's eyes and we are more important than animals.
- B. We are valuable in the eyes of God but less important than animals.
- C. We are valuable in God's eyes but animals are more important than we are.
- D. We are neither valuable in God's eyes nor as important as animals,
- E. Animals are more valuable and important in God's eyes than we are.

viii) The early church put more emphasis on communal life among believers which strengthened church. How was communal life practiced according to Acts 4:34- 35?

- A. By breaking bread in the temple.
- B. By praying together in the temple.
- C. By listening to the apostles' teachings.
- D. By sharing what they had together.
- E. By living together in one house.

ix) When Abram was 99 years old; God the almighty appeared to him and renewed his covenant. What happened when the covenant was renewed?

- A. Abram's name was changed to Abraham, Sarai his wife's name to Sarah.
- B. Abraham's name was changed to Abram, Sarai his wife's name to Zirah.
- C. Abraham's years were added to live longer and he was exalted.
- D. Sarai will bear a son and Abraham will be richer and richer.
- E. Abraham moved to Haran with his family to search for pasture.

x) It is Philip who baptized the Ethiopian eunuch the minister of the Candace, queen of Ethiopians. Which of the following descriptions shows the way he

baptized him (Acts 8:26-40)?

- A. The Eunuch went first into the water and Philip followed him and baptized him.
- B. They both went down into the water and Philip baptized him.
- C. Philip went down into the water and the Eunuch followed him.
- D. Philip remained in the water after baptizing the Eunuch.
- E. The Eunuch remained in the water after being baptized.

xi) After the death of Joshua, the Israelites slowly started falling away from God's commandments. As a result, God punished them. What will happen if Christians fall away from God's commandments today?

- A. Their relationship with God will be strengthened.
- B. They will be excommunicated from the Church.
- C. They will be punished immediately.
- D. Their relationship with God will be damaged.
- E. They will hear the voice asking them to repent.

xii) The Book of Exodus begins by referring to water as a means to limit the population growth of the Israelites by throwing all male Israelite children into the waters of Nile (Exodus 1:22). However, water was also used as a means to save life in the desert. Identify the waters used as a means to save the Israelites in the desert.

- A. The waters of Marah, Massah and Meribah.
- B. The waters of Meribah and Elim.
- C. The waters at Rephidim, Marah and Nile.
- D. The waters of Marah, Massah, Meribah and Rephidim.
- E. The waters in Rephidim, Elim and Succoth.

xiii) Joshua sent spies to view the Promised Land, especially Jericho (Joshua 2:1). What report did these spies bring to Joshua after spying the land?

- A. The enemies are very strong; we are unable to enter there.
- B. The Lord has given all the land into our hands.
- C. The land is very good for us to live, but dangerous for our lives.
- D. The inhabitants of the land are brave because of us.
- E. The inhabitants wanted to kill us when Rahab told the king about us

xiv) Jacob went to Padan-aram and worked for his uncle Laban for seven years in order to be given Rachel for he had loved her most; instead he was given Leah (Genesis 28:15-34). Which practice in the today's society is related to what Laban did to Jacob?

- A. Female genital mutilation.
- B. Forced marriage.
- C. Polygamous marriage.
- D. Gender based violence.
- E. Early marriage.

xv) Imagine you were to address your fellow youths in regard to the prevention of HIV and AIDS, which two of God's commandments would you emphasise to be observed?

- A. You shall not commit adultery, and you shall not commit murder.
- B. You shall not commit adultery, and you shall not covet your neighbour's house.
- C. You shall not commit adultery, and you shall not covet your neighbour's wife.
- D. You shall not commit adultery, and you shall not steal.
- E. You shall not commit adultery, and you shall not bear false witness.

xvi) In the story about the creation, on which day was man and woman created?

- A. On the first day.
- B. On the second day.

- C. On the fifth day.
- D. On the sixth day.
- E. On the seventh day.

xvii) Identify the common themes which make the Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts of the Apostles to be attributed to the same author.

- A. The universality of salvation and the fulfilment quotations.
- B. The universality of salvation and the Messianic secret.
- C. The universality of salvation and the concept of sin.
- D. The universality of salvation and the human free will.
- E. The universality of salvation and the works of the Holy Spirit.

xviii) In Exodus 10:24, Pharaoh suggested that only Moses and his people should leave but their flock should remain behind. Moses insisted that they must go with their flock in order to sacrifice to their Lord. What lesson is learnt from this context?

- A. All things are made for our achievement but important for God.
- B. Animals should be somehow recognised for worship by Egyptians.
- C. Clean animals should be used as food in accordance with God's will.
- D. Living things should not be neglected because they have feelings.
- E. Our possessions are for God's glory and part and parcel of our worship.

xix) Nod was the land where Cain dwelt when he departed from the face of the Lord. What is the meaning of the name Nod?

- A. The land of fleeting.
- B. The land of revenging.
- C. The land of punishment.
- D. The land of wandering.
- E. The land of settling.

xx) Preparing special meals for special people is common in most of our societies as it is used to be during Abraham's time. What kind of food did Abraham prepare for his special guests who visited him at Oaks of Mamre (Genesis 18:8)?

- A. Roasted meat and bitter herbs.
- B. Milk and honey.
- C. Curds, milk, cakes and calf.
- D. Bitter herbs and curds.
- E. Fruits, meat and milk.

2. Match the descriptions of people in **List A** with the names in **List B** by writing the letter of the correct day against the activity item number in List A in the answer booklet (s) provided.

LIST A	LIST B
i) He led a rebellion, resisting Moses' civil authority.	A. Caleb
ii) He accompanied Moses up to the Mount Sinai.	B. Reuel
iii) He held up Moses' hands bringing victory to Israel.	C. Hur
iv) He advised Moses on how to set up his administration.	D. Nadab
v) He was sent by Moses to spy on the Promised Land	E. Gershom
	F. Korah
	G. Purah

SECTION B (45 MARKS)

Answer **five (5)** questions from this section

3. In the second account of Creation, God charged Adam with conditions for living in the Garden of Eden, but the emphasis was on what to eat and what not to eat.

Referring to the book of Genesis 1:28-30 and 2:16-17;

- a) Why do you think it was important for God to put that condition to Adam?
- b) What is Adam's action against the fulfillment of this condition termed? Give reason for your answer.
- c) What conclusion can you draw from what God did in relation to the state of human life today?

4. ; “It was necessary that the word of God should be spoken first to you.” (Acts 13:46)

- a) Describe the occasion of the statement.
- b) What was the reaction of the people after hearing what was spoken to them?
- c) What lesson can you draw from the context of the quotation?

5. During Jesus' ministry there was the existence of Jewish groups/sects.

- a) Mention three Jewish sects which existed during Jesus' time.
- b) Identify three groups which formed the group of the Sanhedrin.
- c) Differentiate between the teachings of the Pharisees and those of the Sadducees by giving one point.

6. The soldiers who were guarding the tomb of Jesus reported to the people that his body was stolen from the tomb (Matthew 28:13).

- a) What caused them to deny such undeniable fact?
- b) What fact would you refer to counteract their false report?
- c) What conclusion can you draw from the incident evaluated above as

a warning to the society today?

7. In Luke 19:1-10, Jesus entered Jericho and as he was passing through, a man named Zacchaeus, a chief tax-collector who was rich wanted to see Him. However, on account of the crowd he could not see Jesus because he was short in stature. So he ran and climbed a sycamore tree. Jesus saw him and went to his place. There Zacchaeus was converted by promising to give half of his possession to the poor and if he had defrauded anyone of anything he could pay back four times.

- a) Show how the church calls people to serve God by giving one point.
- b) In one point, show how people ignore the call of God in their daily life.
- c) Show the significance of rich people in spreading the word of God to different people and places.

8. In Matthew 3:1-6 we read about the life of John the Baptist and his ministry.

Imagine you are the servant of God.

- a) How can you apply his way of living in your life despite the change of life values today?
- b) Show how you can use the isolation method of John the Baptist to win nonbelievers to God today.
- c) What do you think will happen in people's lives, if preachers of today preach about bearing fruit of repentance as John the Baptist did?

9. : A parable is an utterance which comprises some teachings which at the same time have a hidden meaning, thus requiring unveiling of the actual meaning for better understanding. Basing on the parable of the ten pounds (Luke 19:11-27);

- a) Analyse the teachings of Jesus on the person who traded and got ten pounds more.
- b) How were the persons who got ten pounds more and the one who hid

the pound under the making treated by the giver of the talent?

c) How should the people use their gift/talents given by God nowadays?

10. In Luke 9:1-9 Jesus called the 12 Apostles and gave them power and authority over all demons and to heal diseases. He commissioned them and gave them instructions on how to go about it.

a) What were the apostles commissioned to do? (b)

b) One of the instructions given to the apostles in their commission was not to take anything with them in their journey. What do you think was the reason for it?

c) As a today's Biblical reader, how can the church help preachers to follow these instructions given by God in their ministry?

SECTION C (30 MARKS)

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

11. One day Dinah the daughter of Jacob went to visit some of the Canaanite women. Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite took Dinah and raped her (Genesis 34:1-2). Basing on what happened to Dinah, suggest four measures girls should take so as to avoid being victims of sexual abuse in the today's society.

12. Being persuaded by the Jews from Antioch of Pisidia and Iconium, the people of Lystra stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, thinking that he was dead (Acts 14:19). In two points, explain how Christians today are persecuted and give two measures the Church should take to reduce the persecution.

13. Analyse the four main contents of Peter's speech on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:14-36).