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Additional Reading Time - 10 minutes

Use additional reading time to go through the question paper, select the questions you will answer and decide which of them you will prioritise.

Christianity I

Instructions:

- * **Answer all questions.**
- * **In each of the questions 1 to 40, pick one of the alternatives (1), (2), (3), (4) which is correct or most appropriate.**
- * **Mark a cross (X) on the number corresponding to your choice in the answer sheet provided.**
- * **Further instructions are given on the back of the answer sheet. Follow them carefully.**

1. Jesus was born in Bethlehem because of the
 - (1) advice given by angel Gabriel to Mary and Joseph.
 - (2) census that was taken in Bethlehem.
 - (3) vision seen by Zachariah.
 - (4) decision made to follow the prophets.
2. "Those who walked in darkness saw a great light." Which prophet prophesied this?
 - (1) Elijah.
 - (2) Malachi.
 - (3) Micah.
 - (4) Isaiah.
3. God used prophets to announce the coming of the Messiah. What message is received by that for mission today?
 - (1) Seek ways to draw people to church.
 - (2) Proclaim hope.
 - (3) Seek supernatural interventions.
 - (4) Seek guidance only within prophetic books.
4. What prompted Elizabeth to welcome Mary saying "the mother of my Lord comes to me."?
 - (1) A close relative
 - (2) Custom
 - (3) Popularity in society
 - (4) Guided by the Holy Spirit
5. The meaning of the name, 'Jesus' is
 - (1) the Lord Saves.
 - (2) the anointed one.
 - (3) belonging to God.
 - (4) Jehovah Jireh.
6. The prophecies about the birth of the Messiah sounded relevant to the people because, it came at
 - (1) a time of peace and harmony.
 - (2) a time of political and economic turmoil.
 - (3) the time of the kings in Jesus' time.
 - (4) the beginning of a foreign rule.

7. According to Jesus teachings what should we do during a period of economic crisis?
- (1) To look after ourselves first.
 - (2) To resort to violence to solve problems.
 - (3) To keep silent.
 - (4) To act justly with patience and love.
8. What advices do we get from the preaching of John the Baptist?
- (1) Use your position to remain in power.
 - (2) Give all your wealth to the poor
 - (3) Repent and turn away from sin.
 - (4) Be satisfied with your current lifestyle.
9. What is the main task of the Christian Community today?
- (1) Proclaim the kingdom of God.
 - (2) Proclaim the Second coming of Jesus.
 - (3) Engage only in social work.
 - (4) Convert people to Christianity.
10. What does fire symbolize in The Old Testament?
- (1) The absence of God
 - (2) The presence of God.
 - (3) The compassion of God.
 - (4) The healing of God.
11. What is the option which includes the anointed in The Old Testament respectively?
- (1) Priests, kings and shepherds.
 - (2) Priests, prophets and kings.
 - (3) kings, prophets and shepherds.
 - (4) kings, priests and shepherds.
12. Consider the following statements.
- A - They were afraid of the religious authorities.
 B - They took Jesus to Pilate.
 C - They were against the Romans.
 D - They considered Jerusalem, the centre of worship.
- From the above, which statements indicate that the Jews were ruled by foreign powers?
- (1) A and B
 - (2) A and C
 - (3) B and C
 - (4) B and D
13. The greatest value of the kingdom of God is
- (1) authority.
 - (2) love and righteousness.
 - (3) keeping the Jewish laws.
 - (4) gathering more people.
14. Consider the following statements.
- A - Come follow me
 B - Those who put their hand on the plough must not look back
 C - From now on you will be fishing for people
 D - Let the dead bury the dead.
- Out of the above, what statements are connected to Jesus calling of the 12 disciples?
- (1) A and B
 - (2) A and C
 - (3) B and C
 - (4) B and D
15. From the parables of the mustard seed and yeast what do we learn about the growth of the kingdom of God?
- (1) Mustard seed grows due to our efforts.
 - (2) God's power works on our initiative.
 - (3) It begins in a small way and increases with the power of God.
 - (4) Experience the mysterious growth of the yeast when making food.

16. By the signs and miracles of the kingdom of God performed by Jesus it is revealed to us, that
- (1) miracles are necessary to have healing.
 - (2) power of God can overpower all other powers.
 - (3) to have faith in miracles only.
 - (4) Jesus performed miracles to draw crowds.
17. "Worship the lord your God and serve him only." According to St. Luke's account in which temptation did Jesus use these?
- (1) First Temptation
 - (2) Second Temptation
 - (3) Third temptation
 - (4) All three temptation
18. Consider the following messages.
- A - Guidance towards the correct vision.
 - B - Importance of seeing Moses and Elijah.
 - C - To build three tents on the mountain.
 - D - Divinity of Jesus revealed.
- Out of the above, what messages do the Christians get today from the transfiguration of Jesus?
- (1) A and B
 - (2) A and C
 - (3) A and D
 - (4) C and D
19. Which of the following did Jesus celebrate with his disciples before his crucifixion?
- (1) Feast of the tents
 - (2) Entering Jerusalem as a king
 - (3) The passover
 - (4) Cleansing of the temple
20. Jesus has taught us to treat women and men as,
- (1) two different entities.
 - (2) equal.
 - (3) depending on individuality.
 - (4) depending on the circumstances.
21. What should be your response to a student who has done wrong to you?
- (1) Report to the principal.
 - (2) Punish that student yourself.
 - (3) Befriend the student with love.
 - (4) Inform the parents.
22. Consider the following facts.
- A - Justice and Righteousness
 - B - Judgement and punishment
 - C - Hope and joy
 - D - Accountability and good governance
- From the facts mentioned above, on which true peace definitely depends?
- (1) A and C.
 - (2) A and D.
 - (3) B and C.
 - (4) B and D.
23. Consider the following groups.
- A - Leaders of the Synagogues
 - B - The poor in spirit
 - C - Those who have the qualities of a child
 - D - Those who observe the law
- Out of the above, which two groups are considered to be citizens of the Kingdom of God?
- (1) A and B
 - (2) A and C
 - (3) A and D
 - (4) B and C
24. The Jewish leadership stood against Jesus and brought him to trial saying that Jesus
- (1) claimed to be God.
 - (2) stood for the Marginalized.
 - (3) came from Galilee.
 - (4) cleansed the temple.

25. When Jesus was taken for trial who were the Jewish persons and institutions he had to face
- (1) Sanhedrin council, Pilate and Herod.
 - (2) Jewish council, chief priests and Herod.
 - (3) Jewish council, Pilate and Herod.
 - (4) Chief priest, Herod and Pilate.
26. "Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and death." Which disciple said this?
- (1) Paul.
 - (2) Judas Iscariot.
 - (3) Peter.
 - (4) Thomas.
27. We must **not** condemn anyone because
- (1) everyone is sinful.
 - (2) we must forgive one another.
 - (3) Jesus makes the final decision.
 - (4) its the work of the court of law.
28. What makes a Christians to be faithful amidst sufferings?
- (1) The hope in Jesus that leads to life in fullness
 - (2) The hope in self to overcome all challenges.
 - (3) The hope in society to bring about change.
 - (4) The hope in the church to provide during times of need.
29. The lesson that we learn from the experience of the day of 'Pentecost' is that the Holy Spirit
- (1) comes upon a selected group.
 - (2) works beyond all divisions and barriers.
 - (3) is connected to supernatural experiences only.
 - (4) is always referred to as speaking in different languages.
30. What made Paul who once persecuted Christians to be willing to be persecuted for Christ?
- (1) Having an in-depth knowledge of Judaism.
 - (2) His love for Gentiles.
 - (3) His encounter with the risen Christ himself.
 - (4) Receiving sight from Ananias.
31. What lesson can Christians learn from the missionary journeys of Paul to engage in mission in a pluralistic Society?
- (1) Be wise and sensitive in our approach.
 - (2) Speak boldly whatever the context it may be.
 - (3) Compromise Christian principles and make everyone happy.
 - (4) Seek political patronage and protection.
32. What must be your attitude when you face disagreements in Christian mission?
- (1) Be strong and ensure that your own opinions are implemented
 - (2) Be discouraged and give up your own stand
 - (3) Be humble and give up your own stand
 - (4) Be wise and ensure it does not affect the mission adversely
33. Which of the following points give importance to the will of God?
- (1) "Not my will, but your will be done!"
 - (2) "Pray that you will not fall into temptation."
 - (3) "My house is called a house of prayer"
 - (4) "I prayed that your faith will not be destroyed"

34. What is the statement made by the disciples who journeyed to Emmaus?
- (1) "He has risen from the dead."
 - (2) "Why are you looking for the living among the dead."
 - (3) "Why do you create doubts in your hearts?"
 - (4) "The lord has risen indeed."
35. What was the decision of Peter and James at the Jerusalem council regarding the gentiles about the law of circumcision?
- (1) All must follow the law of circumcision.
 - (2) Circumcision is an individual decision
 - (3) Only Jew's are to be circumcised.
 - (4) No one needs to be circumcised.
36. How best will you solve the issues of divisions in the church?
- (1) Granting autonomy to different groups.
 - (2) Listening and offering a solution that keeps everyone together.
 - (3) Referring the matter to a court of law.
 - (4) Asking the individual groups to solve their own problems.
37. Consider the challenges given below.
- A - Being falsely accused and imprisoned.
B - Receive high positions in the church
C - Held with high esteem in society.
D - Being rejected by the community.
- Out of the above, what challenges would we have to face when we act like Jesus?
- (1) A and B (2) A and C (3) A and D (4) B and C
38. What statement is directly connected to Rev. Tissa Balasuriya's service?
- (1) Proclaiming peace and healing the sick people.
 - (2) Liberation of the oppressed and healing the sick.
 - (3) Liberation of the poor and sight to the blind.
 - (4) Proclaiming peace and goodnews to the poor.
39. How did Paul address the misconceptions that were spreading among the believers?
- (1) By educating through pastoral letters.
 - (2) By expelling those who disagree
 - (3) By allowing those issues to settle on their own
 - (4) By leaving it to the local leaders to solve them
40. In today's context what is your opinion on the early church's example of having everything in common?
- (1) Nothing must be held private.
 - (2) The believers must handover their wealth to the church.
 - (3) All believers must share with one another
 - (4) We must go back to living the life in Bethlehem.

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Christianity II

* Answer **five** questions, including question **one** and **four** other questions.

* The first question carries **20** marks and each of the other questions carries **10** marks each.

1. (i) (a) Out of what did God create human being?
(b) What did he do to make them living beings?
- (ii) "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land, I will show you."
(a) To whom was this said?
(b) What quality is highlighted in this person who went?
- (iii) Name the **two** important aspects of forgiveness in the prayer that Jesus taught us.
- (iv) Name **two** prophets who foretold the coming of the Messiah.
- (v) (a) From which language does the name 'Emmanuel' come?
(b) What is the meaning of it?
- (vi) Name **one** Jewish religious group that denies the resurrection and **one** that accepts the resurrection.
- (vii) (a) A religious leader came to see Jesus at night. What was his name?
(b) Which Jewish group did he belong to?
- (viii) (a) In the 4th chapter of St. John's gospel records an incident where Jesus rose above nationalism and ethnic differences. What did Jesus request?
(b) What was the initial response he received?
- (ix) What aspect of gender and ethnic differences came in the way of Jesus as portrayed in chapter 4 of St. John's gospel?
- (x) We receive the fullness of eternal life through Jesus. State **two** qualities we should have in a transformed life.
2. (i) What are the **two** parables Jesus related with regards to the principles of the Kingdom of God.
(ii) State **three** lessons we learn from these parables.
(iii) Explain the way how Christians should function when maintaining relationship with people and the world today in relation to **five** principles of the kingdom of God.

3. (i) According to St. Luke's account name **two** of the disciples Jesus called beside the lake Gennesaret.
- (ii) State the occupations **three** of the twelve disciples were engaged in when Jesus called them.
- (iii) State the meaning of the word 'Apostle' and give **four** reasons for its importance today.
4. (i) What **two** contrast life situations does Jesus present in the Sermon on the plain?
- (ii) State **three** situations of life that a Christian needs to act according to above sermon.
- (iii) State **five** ways our lives are benefited in reading the scriptures and how the Sermon on the plain helps to form our lives in contemporary Sri Lanka.
5. (i) Give **two** teachings of Jesus that help us in our day to day lives.
- (ii) State why it is important to order our lives according to the teachings of Jesus and state **three** results we can achieve from that.
- (iii) Write in details **five** areas in which Christians need to take the lead in our times to demonstrate an alternative way of life.
6. (i) • From which city did Paul begin his 1st missionary journey?
• What did the community do before he left?
- (ii) Name **three** places Paul visited on his 2nd missionary journey and name **three** people who either accompanied him or helped him.
- (iii) Paul on his journeys encountered many different persons and situations. Select one person that Paul encountered with from the persons given below. Explain what guidance from Paul's actions in that situation should present day missionaries take in sharing the gospel.
- (a) Elymas
- (b) Jealous Jews
- (c) Owners of the female slave
- (d) Epicurean and Stoic philosophers

7. Write short notes on **two** of the following topics using the given guidelines.

(i) The forerunner

- The one who was named as the forerunner and his duty.
- The area he spent most of his time
- The groups came to listen to him and the advice he gave to them
- The one to whom he directed the attention of the people.
- The relevance of the character and message to us today.

(ii) Jewish customs

- Different customs that prevailed during the time of Jesus.
- The customs followed by the parents of Jesus when he was an infant and at the age of 12.
- The ones who received Jesus when he was brought to the temple as an infant.
- Their messages to Jesus and to Mary.
- The response of Jesus to his parents when they found him in the temple and the implication of it for us today.

(iii) The Ministry of Angels

- The groups and persons the angels ministered to
- The incidents dissociated and the ministry performed
- The messages given
- The responses of the persons and groups
- Those regarded as angels and their ministry today

(iv) The preaching in the Synagogue at Nazareth

- The significance of this preaching at the Synagogue in Nazareth.
- The impact on the groups that was mentioned in the preaching
- The message conveyed to the listeners with the citation of two old testament personalities.
- The response of those who listen to their preaching in the Synagogue.
- The social groups that should be served at present according to the Sermon.
