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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. Who is mentioned as the 'father of faith' in the Bible?  
 (1) Moses (2) Abraham (3) Elijah (4) David
2. Which parable indicates the importance of helping one who is in need without considering the creed, religion or caste etc.?  
 (1) Pharisee and Tax collector (2) lost sheep  
 (3) Good Samaritan (4) Prodigal son
3. What guidance do we get from the incident of healing of the 10 lepers?  
 (1) When you are sick pray to God.  
 (2) Get all our needs only through prayer.  
 (3) To accept that healing comes only by prayer.  
 (4) The importance of giving thanks to God when healed and needs are met.
4. In order to accept people who belonged to God the custom used by the Jews was,  
 (1) Circumcision (2) Dedication  
 (3) Baptism (4) Going to the temple at the age of 12 years.
5. Whom did God use to proclaim the coming of the Messiah in advance?  
 (1) Kings (2) Prophets (3) Priests (4) Levites
6. What lesson did the parents of John the Baptist learn at his birth?  
 (1) Must not give up  
 (2) Must listen to their neighbours  
 (3) Nothing is impossible with God  
 (4) Must live a simple life
7. We understand from the song of Simeon that  
 (1) Messiah is the glory of all the people of Judah.  
 (2) the elders played a part in the birth of the Messiah.  
 (3) the traditions must be observed properly.  
 (4) the liberation of the Messiah cannot be confined to one particular group.

8. What do we understand of the background of Mary by her sacrifice of two pigeons?
- (1) She was a follower of Jewish traditions.
  - (2) She was poor.
  - (3) She attempted to redeem her son.
  - (4) She had all the features mentioned in above (1), (2) and (3).
9. What was the sin Herod committed that John the Baptist accused him of?
- (1) for invading Egypt
  - (2) for marrying his brother's wife
  - (3) for marrying Bethsheeba
  - (4) for marrying a gentile woman
10. The main characteristic of the Kingdom of God found in the Nazareth Manifesto is
- (1) Justice and righteousness.
  - (2) Healing and caring.
  - (3) Righteousness and mercy.
  - (4) Justice and healing.
11. What practical lesson does the healing of the woman with the issue of blood, teach us ?
- (1) serving the people with ordinary sickness
  - (2) serving the people with sickness that carry a stigma
  - (3) serving people with contagious diseases
  - (4) serving people with chronic illnesses
12. From the following, what are the reasons for the Jewish religious hierachy to take offence at Jesus' teaching?\_
- A - he interpreted the law based on justice and righteousness.
  - B - the spread of the popularity of Jesus among the leaders of the temple.
  - C - Jesus was not part of the religious hierachy.
  - D - it exposed their intention of gaining political privileges.
- (1) A and B
  - (2) A and D
  - (3) B and C
  - (4) B and D
13. The social orders and the ways of the world today reflect the conviction of Jesus and his crucifying by,
- (1) the innocent being sentenced.
  - (2) the guilty getting released.
  - (3) the guilty escaping due to injustice.
  - (4) the guilty escaping and the innocent getting sentenced.
14. One who attempted to elevate the living condition of the slum dwellers was
- (1) Rev. Chandra Fernando.
  - (2) Rev. Tissa Balasooriya.
  - (3) Rev. Michael Rodrigo.
  - (4) Rev. Peter Gerad de Silva.
15. The difficulty for the Jews to accept Jesus as the Messiah was due to the fact that he was
- (1) identified as a prophet.
  - (2) born in a stable.
  - (3) identified as a king.
  - (4) identified with a virgin birth.
16. From the following, what are the lessons God teaches us from the characters of Elizabeth and Mary?
- A - Time and age are not a hindrance to the plan of God.
  - B - The plan of God is implemented through the elderly only.
  - C - The plan of God is always announced by an angel.
  - D - God seeks human participation to implement his plan.
- (1) A and C
  - (2) A and D
  - (3) B and C
  - (4) B and D

17. How will you execute your leadership as a citizen of the Kingdom of God?
- (1) To serve others but not to be served.
  - (2) To serve others while serving yourself.
  - (3) To serve others hoping that they will serve you.
  - (4) To serve other leaders and serve yourself.
18. An anointed king is to rule
- (1) with love and justice to the rich.
  - (2) with love, justice and righteousness.
  - (3) with love and justice towards friends.
  - (4) with love and justice to the family.
19. What we receive from the Messiah is
- (1) life in its fullness.
  - (2) life with all prosperity.
  - (3) life with good health.
  - (4) life with people around us.
20. How will you act as a good shepherd among your fellow students?
- (1) Ensure that the principal knows you.
  - (2) Ensure that you are in leadership.
  - (3) Ensure that the rest looks up to you.
  - (4) Ensure that no one is left behind.
21. The best mode of expressing love to a person struggling without any income is
- (1) supporting the person with our own money.
  - (2) assisting the person to get into a social welfare system.
  - (3) empowering the person towards an income generation source.
  - (4) highlighting his situation among friends.
22. The most responsible action of a Christian when uncertainties surround people should be
- (1) encouraging to keep hope alive.
  - (2) pursuing to spread pessimism.
  - (3) keeping to a non-interference attitude.
  - (4) encouraging to seek political assistance.
23. What do you understand by the term 'church'?
- (1) A confederation of churches.
  - (2) A council of churches.
  - (3) Body of Christ.
  - (4) A community of clergy.
24. From the following, what are the actions which could be under taken for the oppressed and isolated of society?
- A - Setting up legal aid centres.  
 B - Setting up inter faith network to meet their welfare needs.  
 C - Setting up churches.  
 D - Setting up groups to discredit them.
- (1) A and B
  - (2) A and C
  - (3) A and D
  - (4) B and D
25. "He is a son of Abraham. She is a daughter of Abraham." About which persons given below did Jesus make this statement?
- (1) Joseph and Mary
  - (2) Simeon and Anna
  - (3) Zacchaeus and woman with a bent back.
  - (4) Pharisee and the sinful woman.
26. From the following, what helped Paul in his missionary journeys to the gentiles?
- A - born in Tarsus a trade city  
 B - Knowledge gained from the Synagogue  
 C - Knowledge of Jewish law  
 D - Associating various languages, nationalities and cultures in Tarsus
- (1) A and B
  - (2) A and D
  - (3) B and C
  - (4) C and D

27. Nicodemus went to see Jesus at night,
- (1) because he feared his own group of Pharisees.
  - (2) in search of answers to spiritual questions.
  - (3) to know if Jesus came from God or Abraham.
  - (4) to seek assistance as a teacher for his own teachings.
28. We, as Christians who follow the example of the suffering servant should
- (1) make attempts to save our own lives.
  - (2) make suffering and sacrifice as something expected from others.
  - (3) act to avoid sufferings and persecutions of the world.
  - (4) serve in faith and perseverance amidst suffering.
29. 'Why do you look for the living among dead?' The message we, Christians get from the above statement is
- (1) to go to church on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the week as women who went to the tomb.
  - (2) to believe that Jesus is alive and lives among us.
  - (3) understand that angels often give such messages.
  - (4) to know our hearts are also empty as the tomb.
30. Which of the following was **not** a prayer of Jesus at the garden of Gethsemane?
- (1) "this is my body given to you."
  - (2) "not my will but thy will be done."
  - (3) "take away this cup from me."
  - (4) "pray that you will not fall into temptation"
31. The name 'Christian' was given at first
- (1) in the temple of Jerusalem.
  - (2) in the Synagogue at Nazareth.
  - (3) in Antioch in Siriya.
  - (4) in Tarsus in Cilicia.

32. Consider the following grid.

Temptation Jesus faced	The temptations we face in the present day	How Christian should respond to overcome
If you will worship me, I will give you the Kingdom of this world.	Expectation to get wealth, power and reputation	A accept the temptation as God given
		B to be victorious through riches and power
		C bow down to God's will through prayers
		D to overcome the temptation by the word of God.

From the above, what is the answer that contains the most correct responses of a Christian?

- (1) A and B                      (2) B and C                      (3) B and D                      (4) C and D
33. Your main responsibility as a Christian student in school should be
- (1) to tell the speciality of the Christian faith.
  - (2) to witness with good Christian attitudes and values.
  - (3) to enhance your capabilities.
  - (4) critically analysing the action of the other students.

34. Select the answer that contains what the impetus we receive at present from the actions of the prophets, Amos and Micah.
- A - Develop rituals among the people
  - B - Especially work for social justice
  - C - Show the importance of living a holy life on Sundays
  - D - The importance and committing to work for peace
- (1) A and B                      (2) A and C                      (3) B and C                      (4) B and D
35. "Friends, why are you doing this? We are humans just like you." What we must imbibe (receive) from the Paul and Barnabus in this instance is to
- (1) direct the honour to God not to ourselves.
  - (2) refrain from offering sacrifices at rituals.
  - (3) make known the consequences of performing miracles.
  - (4) disapprove actions done unknowingly regarding Christ.
36. "We may be called for Jesus' sake to help someone in need at a most unexpected place and time." The action that indicates the above statement from the following is
- (1) Zacchaeus willing to distribute his wealth.
  - (2) the action of Joseph of Arimathea.
  - (3) the response of Simon of Cyreni when ordered to do so.
  - (4) the women of Jerusalem waited at the foot of the cross.
37. As Christians we should be connected to Jesus, the true wine in order to
- (1) bare good fruit in a multi cultural society and lean towards unity.
  - (2) make way for a prosperous life.
  - (3) base our lives according to the early Church.
  - (4) bring together the values of the Sri Lankan society.
38. From the following, what are the expectations we have from present day Church leaders as good shepherds?
- A - To provide housing for the homeless
  - B - To nourish the believers by explaining the truth of God's word
  - C - To bring back the lost who have gone astray
  - D - To expand the Church membership as possible
- (1) A and B                      (2) A and C                      (3) B and C                      (4) B and D
39. 'to dig deeply and lay the foundation on the rock.' The guidance we, Christians get from the word of the God shows
- (1) the importance of digging deep the foundation in building a house.
  - (2) when it's dug deep the building will be stable.
  - (3) the importance of building the lives of Christians on Jesus the rock.
  - (4) the necessity of looking into the foundation when starting a business place or an institution.
40. "Whether it is right in God's sight to listen to you rather than to God." The guidance we get from the above saying by Peter and John in the presence of the Jewish Council is
- (1) to use the opportunity courageously to show our power and strength.
  - (2) making use of our knowledge to speak out according to a given situation.
  - (3) the importance of being victorious in the presence of the people and leaders.
  - (4) to stand firm in a time of challenge by the guidance of the Holy spirit.

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\* 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.

- Name **two** persons who in obedience responded positively to the message about the extraordinary births proclaimed by the angel.
  - According to the prophet Malachi's prophesy, who will go before the Messiah to prepare his way?
    - What challenge does he make to the people?
  - What was the head quarters of the Pharisees?
    - Write **one** accusation Jesus made against Pharisees.
  - Give **two** statements found in Luke's gospel that Jesus made from the cross.
  - Complete accurately the following sayings of God, heard from heaven at the Baptism and at the transfiguration of Jesus.
    - You are my beloved son. ....
    - This is my son. My chosen one. ....
  - Give **two** positive results Jesus experienced through his prayer life.
  - As a Christian, write **two** things you grasp from the two qualities seen in the early church, sharing and holding all things in common and their prayer life.
  - While Paul was taken as a prisoner, even in the period of storm he encouraged his fellow prisoners and advised the sailors and witnessed to the faith. Write **two** guidances we receive from the actions stated above.
  - Fill in the blanks with the correct words taken from the St. Pauls 'ode(poem) of Love'.  
 "If I do not have ....., I am a noisy ....."
  - Give **one** fact each for worldly poverty and spiritual poverty.
- Mary has chosen the **good part** which will **not be taken away** from her.
  - What message do we receive from the words in bold letters.
  - From the above saying of Jesus what does it indicate to qualify in order to be a disciple of Jesus. Give **three** reasons.
  - Taking into account actions of Jesus in other instances, give **five** ways how we can help to bring about equality for women in the present day society.
- What was the principle theme of Jesus' ministry? Write a method he used in order to present this theme.
  - In order to relate that theme to the people, mention with examples **three** values of that theme Jesus used.
  - Explain how this theme could be introduced to the present day society using the teachings of Jesus giving **five** points.

4. "Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests but the son of Man has no where to lay his head."
- (i) Give **two** challenges by the above saying Jesus posed to the person who wanted to follow him.
  - (ii) Write **three** responses given by those who are called and those who were willing to be disciples of Jesus.
  - (iii) According to the responses mentioned in the above (ii) and understanding the reason of the call of Jesus to the Christians living in the present society, explain in **five** ways to respond to it.
5. (i) Based on the understanding that God created human beings as man and woman, express **two** ideas as one who lives in the 21<sup>st</sup> century regarding the above.
- (ii) Accordingly, mention **three** mutual duties between husband and wife.
- (iii) Taking into consideration the present day challenges that families have to face describe the following family/social relationships to indicate the Christian values that can be used to respond positively.
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| (a) between husband and wife           | (b) among parents and children |
| (c) among children and senior citizens | (d) among siblings             |
| (e) among family and society           |                                |
6. (i) Write **two** purposes of Paul's 01<sup>st</sup>, 02<sup>nd</sup> and 03<sup>rd</sup> missionary journeys?
- (ii) Give **three** ways with examples the methods he used to achieve his objectives, one from each journey.
- (iii) Using the methods given above, explain with **five** aspects how those can be used at present by missionaries who engage in meaningful missions.
7. Write short notes on **two** of the following topics using the given guidelines.
- (i) the Messianic concept
    - Which prophets proclaimed
    - What is the Jewish religious background that helped this concept
    - What hopes brought about in the society by this concept
    - The light we require today from the Messiah
  - (ii) Shepherd leadership
    - Background factors
    - What references do we have in the Bible
    - How did Jesus the Good Shepherd use these concepts
    - How did Jesus show it in his life
    - What steps as Christians we should take to incorporate and spread these in our society.
  - (iii) Jewish social out-look
    - Who were the main pioneers in bringing about that society.
    - Their basic characteristics
    - The role they played in building up a nation
    - The role of Jesus
    - The guidance of Jesus' teachings in formulating a Christian view
  - (iv) Living under the influence of the Holy Spirit
    - Symbolic situations that indicate the influence of the Holy Spirit
    - Important facts that it reveals
    - The way Jesus used those symbols
    - The way we, Christians relate those influences to make our lives better.