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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PAPER 2

MARK SCHEME

MAXIMUM MARK 40

QUESTION 1

(a) "Woman I do not know him" Luke 22:57**(i) Describe what happened immediately Peter denied Jesus** [4]

Cock crowed; Jesus turned and look at Peter; Peter remembered the words of Christ; Peter went out and cried bitterly

(ii) What Christian advise would you give Peter after his action [2]

There is no sin that God cannot forgive; God still loves you ; ask for God's forgiveness

(b) (i) Explain why Jesus was brought before the Sanhedrin for trial. [4]

He was claiming to be the Son of God; he had said he would destroy the temple and rebuild it in 3 days; they said he taught people to disobey the law of Moses

(c) What can be learnt about Jesus from his trial before the Sanhedrin? [1]

Never lost faith; he did not give up; showed commitment/was a spiritual Messiah not political
Messiah/was willing to sacrifice himself for the sake of humankind.

(d) Jesus predicted that Simon Peter would deny knowing him three times before dawn. Do you think Peter's action of denying Christ was justified? Give reasons for your answer and show you have thought about different points of view.

YES: Fulfilment of Jesus predictions; Peter was also human had mistakes
NO: Christ had warned him; never trusted Christ; had little faith

QUESTION 2

(a)**(i) Describe the baptism of Jesus** [4]

John first refused to baptize Jesus saying that Jesus was superior than him; after baptism he went out up from water; Spirit of God descended like a dove alighting on him; voice came from heaven, "this is my beloved son with whom I am well pleased"

(ii) Name two groups of people that came to John for baptism.

[2]

Tax collectors, soldiers, Pharisees

(b)

(i) Explain why it is important for Christians to be baptized. [4]

To emulate Jesus; to be a full member of the church; to demonstrate outwardly their inward faith.

(ii) Give one lesson that can be learnt from the temptations of Jesus. [1]

All Christians are tempted to do what is wrong; Christians do not have to submit to temptation; Christians have to rely on scripture to conquer the devil.

(c) Temptations make the believer to be strong in the faith. How far do you agree? Give reasons for your answer and show you have thought about different points of view. [4]

Yes: Able to conquer the devil; experiences God's help and power

NO: Can make one fall; backslide; can overcome the person

QUESTION 3

(a)

(i) Mention two things that could have made the father of the prodigal son to forgive his son Luke 15:8-10 [2]

Love; belief in forgiveness

(ii) What Christian advise would you give to people who do not forgive? [4]

Forgive so that God may forgive you; Everyone is a sinner; Christ forgives us daily; Love your Enemy

(b)

(i) Mention one act the father of the prodigal son did to show that he had forgiven his son [1]

Kissed him; kill a fattened cattle for a feast; gave son robe, ring, sandals

(ii) What can be learnt from the attitude of the prodigal son when he returned home?

[4]

Repentance; humbleness; willingness to own up

(c) Do you think the elder son's action was justified? Give reasons for your answer and show you have thought about different points of view.

YES: He has been faithful to his father ; Jealousy is human; he was angry

NO: He should Forgive; love

[4]

QUESTION 4

(a)

(i) Describe two Christian teachings on abortion.

[4]

Abortion is discouraged; Life is holy; only God has a right to take away life; murder is sin.

(ii) What Christian advise would you give to a person who wants to commit abortion

[2]

Life is holy ; no one has a right to take away life except God; the fetus is a human being; has a right to live.

(b)

(i) Give one reason why Christians should share their wealth with the poor.

[1]

Commanded by the Bible; fulfills the law of love

(ii) Explain two reasons why poverty must be eradicated in the church.

[4]

May cause believers to blame God; Bible commands working with our hands and helping the needy;

poverty scares away non- believers.

(c) Do you think Christians should be given donations when they are in need? Give reasons for your answer and show you have thought about different points of view.

[4]

YES: the Bible commands so; they are also humans they need assistance.

NO: The Bible commands that they work with their hands; they should pray and expect miracles instead of asking for alms.