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**RELIGIOUS STUDIES (SPECIFICATION A) 3061/6/C**  
**RELIGIOUS STUDIES (SPECIFICATION A) (SHORT COURSE)**

**Paper 1C The Christian Life and St Mark's Gospel**

Wednesday 26 May 2004 9.00 am to 10.30 am

<b>No additional materials are required.</b>
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Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

**Instructions**

- Use blue or black ink or ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Write your answers to Parts A and B in the spaces provided in this booklet.
- Write your answers to Part C on the continuation sheets at the end of this booklet.
- If you use any additional sheets, tie them loosely to the back of this booklet.
- Do all rough work in this booklet or on the continuation sheets. Cross through any work that you do not want marked.
- Bibles must **not** be used.

**Information**

- The maximum mark for this paper is 83.
- Mark allocations are shown in brackets.
- You will be awarded up to three marks for quality of written communication.
- You are required to:
  - Present relevant information in a form that suits its purposes.
  - Ensure that text is legible and that spelling, punctuation and grammar are accurate, so that the meaning is clear.
  - Use a suitable structure and style of writing.
- Pages 9 and 10 are perforated. You may remove these pages if you wish.

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**PART A**

Answer **all** questions in this part in the spaces provided.

**A1 Baptism**

(a) Describe Mark's account of the Baptism of Jesus.

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(b) Explain how Believers' Baptism is similar to the baptism of Jesus.

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(c) Why do many Christians have their children baptised as infants?

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**A2 Leadership**

(a) Why did Jesus choose the twelve disciples?

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(b) What commission did Jesus give his disciples after his resurrection?

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**A3 Authority**

When Jesus healed Jairus' daughter he said, "Talitha koum."

Why do many Christians think that Mark's use of Aramaic words increases the authority of his gospel?

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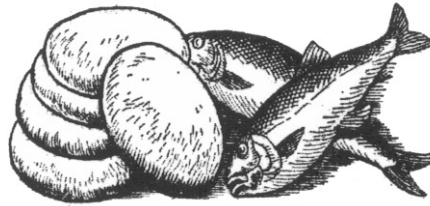
**PART B**

Answer **all** questions in this part in the spaces provided.

**B4 The Person of Jesus**

Look at **Figure 1**.

And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, “This is a lonely place, and the hour is now late; send them away, to go into the country and villages round about and buy themselves something to eat.” But he answered them, “You give them something to eat.”



*Source: adapted from The Bible, Revised Standard Version*  
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**Figure 1**

(a) Describe the rest of Mark’s account of the Feeding of the Five Thousand.

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(b) Jesus said to the Greek (Syro-Phoenician) woman, “Let us first feed the children. It isn’t right to take the children’s food and feed it to the dogs”.

(i) What did Jesus mean by these words?

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(ii) What was the woman’s answer?

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(c) According to Mark’s Gospel, why did Jesus perform miracles?

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(d) “For Christians today, Saviour is the best title for Jesus.”

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view.

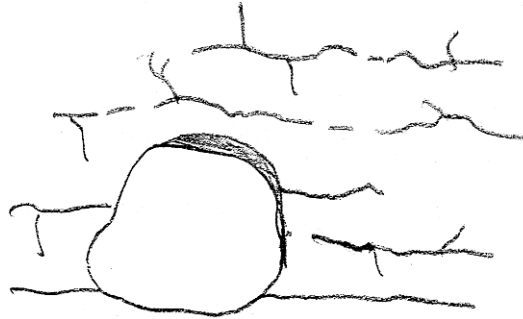
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**B5 Suffering, Death and Resurrection**

Look at **Figure 2**.



**Figure 2** Jesus' Tomb

(a) What arrangements did Joseph make for the burial of Jesus?

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(b) Why was the body of Jesus not anointed at the time of burial?

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(c) "Christians should not wear a cross or a crucifix as an item of jewellery."

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view.

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**PART C**

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Answer **all** questions in this part on pages 11 to 16.

Each question carries 20 marks.

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**C6 The Kingdom of God**

(a) **EITHER** Describe in detail the conversation that took place when the rich man asked how to gain eternal life. Include Jesus' teaching about the problems of wealth.

**OR** Describe in detail the conversation that took place when James and John asked Jesus to do whatever they requested. Include Jesus' teaching about true greatness.  
(8 marks)

(b) Explain what Christians learn about the Kingdom of God from the teaching of Jesus. (7 marks)

(c) "In today's world Christians should not desire wealth and power."

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. (5 marks)

**C7 The Last Supper and Holy Communion**

(a) Describe in detail Mark's account of the Last Supper, starting when Jesus came to the room.  
(7 marks)

(b) Explain different ways in which Christians understand and celebrate Holy Communion.  
(8 marks)

(c) "For Christians, prayer should matter more than anything else."

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. (5 marks)

**END OF QUESTIONS**

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