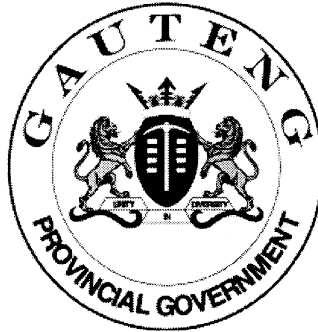


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TIME: 3 hours

MARKS: 400

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer FIVE questions.
- Question 1 (Section A) is COMPULSORY. All subsections of this question must be answered.
- Answer TWO questions from Section B and TWO questions from Section C.
- The length of your answers should be in proportion to the marks allocated to each question.

**SECTION A  
COMPULSORY****QUESTION 1  
SHORT QUESTIONS**

Questions 1.1 to 1.20 are short questions. Write the number of each question (including those of the subsections) in your **answer book** and write your answer next to each question number.

- 1.1 Each of the following verses or phrases illustrates a specific characteristic of one of the Gospels. Identify in each case the specific Gospel and the characteristic.
- 1.1.1 "Then Herod, when he had secretly called the wise men, determined from them what time the star appeared."
- 1.1.2 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God and the Word was God."
- 1.1.3 "And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed them all."
- 1.1.4 "So when they had rowed about five or six kilometres, they saw Jesus walking on the sea ..."
- 1.2 Why are the first three Gospels called the Synoptic Gospels? 4x2= (8)
- 1.3 Name THREE individuals to whom Paul wrote letters. 3x2= (6)

- 1.4 Where was Paul when he wrote the letter to the Philippians? (2)
- 1.5 To whom was the letter of James addressed? (2)
- 1.6 How many general letters are there in the New Testament? (2)
- 1.7 Who wrote a letter to Gaius? (2)
- 1.8 Which general letter in the New Testament contains apocryphal references and quotations? (2)
- 1.9 Explain briefly the apocalyptic symbols below that are found in the Book of Revelation:
- 1.9.1 Lion
- 1.9.2 Long robe
- 1.9.3 Number three
- 1.9.4 Colour white 4x2= (8)
- 1.10 Explain the difference between **General revelation** and **special revelation**. 2x2= (4)
- 1.11 Who said: "My Father is always working, and I too must work"? (2)
- 1.12 Give the steps of Christ's exaltation. 4x2= (8)
- 1.13 For how many days was Jesus on earth between His resurrection and His ascension? (2)
- 1.14 Which FOUR promises were fulfilled with Jesus' ascension to heaven? 4x2= (8)
- 1.15 What is the difference between the **triumphant church** and the **militant church**? 2x2= (4)
- 1.16 What is a **sacrament**? (2)
- 1.17 What is the Biblical understanding of **sin**? (2)
- 1.18 Give the meaning of each of the following names of God:
- 1.18.1 Elohim
- 1.18.2 Adonai 2x2= (4)
- 1.19 Which of the Ten Commandments are trespassed when
- 1.19.1 it is believed that the number 13 is an unlucky number?
- 1.19.2 someone damages another person's property?
- 1.19.3 one wastes time when one should be working? 3x2= (6)
- 1.20 Who helps a Christian who does not know how or what to pray? (2)

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TOTAL FOR SECTION A: [80]

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**SECTION B**  
**INTRODUCTION TO THE NEW TESTAMENT**

- Answer TWO questions from this section.
- Answer all the subsections of the questions that you choose.

**QUESTION 2**

- 2.1 "When the Gospel according to Matthew is read, it is clearly evident that the Gospel is intended for Jewish readers."  
Discuss the authorship of the Gospel of Matthew by referring to the statement above. (16)
- 2.2 Give a short explanation of the form of the Pauline letters. (16)
- 2.3 Discuss the relationship between Paul and the Church in Philippi with special reference to Philippians 1:3 – 5.  
  
"I thank my God for you every time I think of you and every time I pray for you, I pray with joy because of the way in which you have helped me in the work of the gospel from the very first day until now." (24)
- 2.4 Peter wrote his second letter to put Christians on their guard against the false teaching that the Second Coming of Christ would not take place. Explain the false arguments against the return of Christ and Peter's answers. (24)  
**[80]**

**QUESTION 3**

- 3.1 Discuss the differences between the Synoptic Gospels and the Gospel according to John. (30)
- 3.2 In Paul's letter to the Philippians he wrote:  
  
"In conclusion, my brothers, be joyful in your union with the Lord! I don't mind repeating what I have written before, and you will be safer if I do so. Watch out for those who do evil things. Those dogs, those men who insist on cutting the body!" (Philippians 3:1 – 2).  
  
Discuss the sudden change in the tone of Paul's letter and explain his reference to "cutters". (14)
- 3.3 Discuss how the General Letter of James deals with the practical application of being a Christian in the modern world of today. (20)
- 3.4 The General Letter of Jude starts: "From Jude, servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James."  
  
Who was this Jude who wrote this letter? (16)  
**[80]**

**QUESTION 4**

- 4.1 Give examples from the Gospel according to Mark which proves that the author wrote in vivid detail as if he was an eyewitness. (14)
- 4.2 Which of Paul's letters did he write while he was in prison? Give one main theme of each letter. (16)
- 4.3 There are differences of opinion about who the author was of the Second Letter of Peter. Give your opinion about the prevailing arguments in support of your answer. (20)
- 4.4 Write notes on Jesus Christ's sovereignty over His Church on earth as revealed in the Book of Revelation, chapters 1 – 3. (30)
- [80]**

**QUESTION 5**

- 5.1 Discuss the special way that language and style is used in the Gospel according to Mark. (16)
- 5.2 Explain why it is said that the Gospel according to Matthew is systematically and methodically written. (18)
- 5.3 Explain the different ideas which John wrote about in his First General Letter. (22)
- 5.4 Discuss the evidence which suggests that John the Apostle wrote the Book of Revelation. (24)
- [80]**

**TOTAL FOR SECTION B: [160]**

**SECTION C****THE BIBLICAL BASIS FOR THE CHRISTIAN FAITH AND LIFE**

- Answer TWO questions from this section.
- Answer all the subsections of the questions that you choose.

**QUESTION 6**

- 6.1 Explain how knowledge and trust are important elements of faith. (12)
- 6.2 Write brief notes on the difference between the concept of **God as Father** in the Old Testament, the New Testament and for the Christian. (16)
- 6.3 Discuss the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus Christ. (28)
- 6.4 What is understood by the concept of the Holy Spirit as the Christian's **Teacher and Comforter**? (12)
- 6.5 The third commandment, "Do not use My name for evil purposes", forbids the wrong use of the Lord's holy name. Explain what this means. (12)
- [80]**

### QUESTION 7

- 7.1 How does God reveal Himself to believers through Scripture? (14)
- 7.2 Explain briefly what is understood by the **Divine characteristics** of the Holy Spirit. (14)
- 7.3 Discuss the aim of the Law for Christians under the new dispensation that Jesus brought about. (22)
- 7.4 7.4.1 Give reasons why God gave the fifth commandment to the Christians. (10)  
 7.4.2 Why does obedience also have limits? (4)  
 7.4.3 Explain the reward for obedience. (6)
- 7.5 Explain why the Christian prays in the Name of Jesus and what does it mean for the Christian to pray like this. (10)  
**[80]**

### QUESTION 8

- 8.1 Give a full explanation of what is meant by the statement: "The one universal church of which Christ is the Head". (28)
- 8.2 Read the following information regarding the Khulisa programme:

"Within the framework of affirmative justice and under the leadership of Khulisa facilitators, victims and their attackers are brought together.

Asking for forgiveness in public and taking responsibility for their deeds lets the former perpetrators take an important step to becoming part of the community again and making a productive contribution."

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- With regard to what the Bible teaches us about realisation of guilt, change of heart and forgiveness, discuss the Khulisa programme as an act of love towards your fellow men. (12)
- 8.3 Discuss the Christian attitude towards the resurrection of the dead and life everlasting. (18)
- 8.4 Write notes on the **first three** petitions of the Lord's Prayer. (22)  
**[80]**

## QUESTION 9

- 9.1 Discuss the meaning and implications of the names **Jesus** and **Lord**. (16)
- 9.2 Describe God the Father's relationship with human beings, with special reference to:
- 9.2.1 What is a Biblical covenant? (8)
- 9.2.2 The covenant of nature (6)
- 9.2.3 The covenant of grace (6)
- 9.3 "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt and freed you out of the land of slavery."  
This prologue places the Ten Commandments within the context in which they were given. Discuss the prologue in detail. (12)
- 9.4 The Pharisees wanted to trap Jesus into saying something they could use against Him. That is why they asked Him which of the Commandments was the greatest. What did Jesus answer them? (8)
- 9.5 Discuss the **last three** petitions of the Lord's Prayer. (24)

**TOTAL FOR SECTION C: [160]**

**TOTAL: 400**

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