

CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EXAMINATIONS

**Joint Examination for the School Certificate
and General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level**

RELIGIOUS STUDIES/BIBLE KNOWLEDGE

2040/1

The Life and Teaching of Christ as contained in the Synoptic Gospels

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER SESSION 2002

2 hours 30 minutes

Additional materials:
Answer paper

TIME 2 hours 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer paper/
answer booklet.

Answer **five** questions.

Answer Question **1** and **four** other questions.

Write your answers on the separate answer paper provided.

If you use more than one sheet of paper, fasten the sheets together.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

You are advised to spend no longer than 40 minutes on Question **1**.

Revised Standard Version of Question **1** is printed on page **2**.

New English Bible Version of Question **1** is printed on page **3**.

Questions **2-10** are printed on pages **4** and **5**.

This question paper consists of 6 printed pages and 2 blank pages.

REVISED STANDARD VERSION

- 1 Choose **five** of the passages **(a)** to **(i)** and answer the questions which follow.
- (a)** ... the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, a virgin shall conceive ..." (Matthew 1:22, 23)
- (i) Complete this prophecy,
- and (ii)** explain why Matthew used it. [6]
- (b)** When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers!" (Matthew 3:7)
- (i) What else did John say to them on this occasion?
- (ii) Who else used the title "brood of vipers" to describe them? [6]
- (c)** "Enter by the narrow gate ..." (Matthew 7:13)
- (i) What else did Jesus say in the Sermon on the Mount about gates?
- (ii) Explain what he meant. [6]
- (d)** When he saw their faith he said, "Man, your sins are forgiven you." (Luke 5:20)
- (i) Whose faith caused Jesus to say this?
- (ii) Who complained about Jesus forgiving this man, and what did they say?
- (iii) Describe the reaction of the crowd on this occasion. [6]
- (e)** "Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it had not much soil." (Mark 4:5)
- (i) What happened to this seed?
- (ii) What meaning did Jesus give to this part of the parable? [6]
- (f)** King Herod heard of it; for Jesus' name had become known. (Mark 6:14)
- (i) What were people saying about the identity of Jesus?
- (ii) What did Herod say? [6]
- (g)** There were some present at that very time who told him of the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. (Luke 13:1)
- (i) What did Jesus say about the Galileans and "those eighteen people in Siloam"?
- (ii) What action did he strongly urge on those he addressed and for what reason? [6]
- (h)** "As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the days of the Son of man." (Luke 17:26)
- What further remarks about Noah and Lot did Jesus make? [6]
- (i)** "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean." (Mark 14:70)
- (i) What were the reactions of the person so addressed?
- (ii) What happened immediately, and what effect did it have? [6]

NEW ENGLISH BIBLE

- 1 Choose **five** of the passages (a) to (i) and answer the questions which follow.
- (a) ... what the Lord declared through the prophet: 'The virgin will conceive ...' (Matthew 1:22, 23)
- (i) Complete this prophecy,
- and (ii)** explain why Matthew used it. [6]
- (b) When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism he said to them: 'You vipers' brood.' (Matthew 3:7)
- (i) What else did John say to them on this occasion?
- (ii) Who else used the title 'vipers' brood' to describe them? [6]
- (c) 'Enter by the narrow gate ...' (Matthew 7:13)
- (i) What else did Jesus say in the Sermon on the Mount about gates?
- (ii) Explain what he meant? [6]
- (d) When Jesus saw their faith, he said, 'Man, your sins are forgiven you.' (Luke 5:20)
- (i) Whose faith caused Jesus to say this?
- (ii) Who complained about Jesus forgiving this man, and what did they say?
- (iii) Describe the reaction of the crowd on this occasion. [6]
- (e) 'Some seed fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil.' (Mark 4:5)
- (i) What happened to this seed?
- (ii) What meaning did Jesus give to this part of the parable? [6]
- (f) King Herod heard of it, for the fame of Jesus had spread. (Mark 6:14)
- (i) What were people saying about the identity of Jesus?
- (ii) What did Herod say? [6]
- (g) At that very time there were some people present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. (Luke 13:1)
- (i) What did Jesus say about the Galileans and 'the eighteen people in Siloam'?
- (ii) What action did he strongly urge on those he addressed and for what reason? [6]
- (h) 'As things were in Noah's days, so will they be in the days of the Son of Man.' (Luke 17:26)
- What further remarks about Noah and Lot did Jesus make? [6]
- (i) 'Surely you are one of them. You must be; you are a Galilean.' (Mark 14:70)
- (i) What were the reactions of the person so addressed?
- (ii) What happened immediately, and what effect did it have? [6]

Answer **four** of Questions **2–10**.

- 2 (a) Describe the visit of the angel Gabriel to Zechariah when he was in the temple. [12]
 (b) Comment on **three** things the angel said about John and his mission. [6]
- 3 (a) Give an account of Jesus' three temptations in the wilderness. [12]
 (b) Explain the importance of this occasion for Jesus. [6]
- 4 Give the meaning of the following words used by Jesus, and narrate briefly the circumstances in which he used them:
- (i) Talitha cumi (NEB cum), [6]
 (ii) Corban, [6]
 (iii) Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani (NEB Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani). [6]
- 5 (a) Relate the parable of the wheat and the weeds (NEB darnel). [10]
 (b) What explanation of this parable is given in the gospel? [4]
 (c) Comment on that explanation. [4]
- 6 (a) Who were the Samaritans? [10]
 (b) Narrate what happened when:
 (i) Jesus sent messengers into a Samaritan village to make ready for him; [3]
 (ii) Jesus was met by ten lepers between Samaria and Galilee. [5]
- 7 (a) Tell the parables of:
 (i) a friend at midnight needing bread; [6]
 (ii) an unjust judge and a widow. [6]
 (b) Explain what each of these parables teaches about prayer. [6]
- 8 (a) Give a full account of what was said in the temple when Jesus was asked about his authority. [9]
 (b) Show why Jesus' answer was so effective in silencing his questioners. [6]
 (c) What had Jesus done in the temple earlier to upset the temple authorities? [3]

- 9 (a) What did Jesus say:
- (i) to the disciples who, when Jesus was arrested said, 'Lord, shall we strike with the sword?' (NEB '... use our swords?'); [2]
 - (ii) to the daughters of Jerusalem who wept for him on his way to be crucified; [6]
 - (iii) to those who were crucifying him; [2]
 - (iv) to the criminal who said Jesus had done nothing wrong? [2]
- (b) Comment on what Jesus said on **three** of these occasions. [6]
- 10 (a) Describe what happened on the journey to Emmaus. [12]
- (b) Comment on the conversation between Jesus and his companions during that journey. [6]

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