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2048 RELIGIOUS STUDIES (BIBLE KNOWLEDGE)

2048/23

Paper 2 (Luke and Acts (1-21:15) Essay Questions),
maximum raw mark 60

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SECTION A

The Life and Teaching of Jesus as Portrayed in Luke's Gospel

- 1 (a) Luke 2:22-38
 Law of Moses/to offer sacrifice/to consecrate every firstborn male/pair of doves or two young pigeons
 Simeon/righteous man/waiting for consolation of Israel/Holy Spirit upon him/Holy Spirit revealed to him that not die before seen Lord's Christ
 moved by spirit/went to Temple courts
 took Jesus in arms/praised God/now dismiss your servant in peace/my eyes have seen your salvation
 a light to Gentiles/glory to your people Israel
 said to Mary/child destined to cause falling and rising of many
 a sword will pierce your own soul
 Anna/prophetess/old/never left Temple
 seeing Jesus/gave thanks/the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem [7]

Notes:

Level 3 if only Simeon discussed in detail

- (b) **Examples**
 poor family (sacrifice of 2 doves)
 recognised as Christ
 revelation to Gentiles
 cause falling and rising of many
 his birth a fulfilment of promise
 linked to redemption of Israel [5]

Notes:

It is not expected that candidates will cover all to gain a level 4. Expect level 4 answers to refer back to text.

- 2 (a) Luke 4:16-30
Key Points:
 Sabbath/stood up to read/prophet Isaiah
 Isaiah 61:1-2/Spirit of Lord upon me/good news to poor/release of captives/sight to blind/liberty to oppressed/ proclaim acceptable year of the Lord
 close book/sat down/today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing
 wondered/Joseph's son
 Jesus – physician heal yourself/do here what you did in Capernaum
 no prophet acceptable in own country
 Elijah/Elisha
 tried to throw him over cliff/walked away [7]

Notes:

Be flexible. Not all points are required to be covered in order to gain a level 4.

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(b) Examples:

explanation of Elijah statement
 explanation of Elisha statement

God favouring non-Jews

no prophet acceptable in own country

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Notes:

Level lower 2 if recounted statements without explanation about non-Jews etc.

3 (a) Luke 13:10-17

synagogue/woman/crippled 18 years/bent over/called her forward/woman you are set free from infirmity/put hands on her/straightened up/praised God/synagogue ruler – 6 days come and be healed but not on Sabbath/hypocrite/untie ox and water on Sabbath/so woman should be set free on Sabbath/people delighted/adversaries put to shame

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(b) Examples:

the Pharisees had been over rigid and legalistic in their interpretation of the laws governing Sabbath

good work permissible/not to be observed in legalistic manner/human well-being is more important than Sabbath observance of Sabbath law

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4 (a) Luke 19:11-25

nobleman went into far country to receive a Kingdom and then return/called 10 servants – gave them £10 (10 minas) trade with these till I return
 citizens hated him/sent embassy after him/we do not want this man to reign over us

received kingdom and returned. Demanded to know result of trading

1st – pound made ten/well done good servant/faithful in little have authority over 10 cities

2nd – pound made 5 pound/ authority over 5 cities

3rd – in napkin/afraid/severe man/take up what you do not lay down/reap what you don't sow

wicked servant/you knew I was severe/why not in bank and get interest/take pound and give to he who has ten

kill enemies

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(b) Luke 19:26-27

reward is not rest but wider service

make good use of what you have and you will be given more

make no use of opportunities and will lose what you had

the smallest gift must be put to good use

those who rejected nobleman must take consequences of rebellion

the Kingdom will be established though people rebel against it

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5 (a) Luke 22:47-53

Key points:

Judas led crowd of chief priests and officers of the Temple and elders. Judas
kissed Jesus
why betray Son of man with a kiss
disciples saw what would happen – “Shall we strike with sword?”
slave of High Priest had right ear cut off
Jesus – no more of this/he healed him
have you come out as against a robber with swords and clubs
I was with you in temple – you did not take me then
this is your hour and the power of darkness
led him away.

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(b) Peter's denials (Luke 22:54-62)

all fell asleep garden of Gethsemane, all fled arrest
all disbelieved resurrection
failure to understand Jesus' death and type of messiahship
faithless/inability to cast out demons
argument about greatest
rebuked for wanting divine retribution on Samaritans
rebuked for turning away mothers and their children

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Section B

The Birth of the Church as Portrayed in the Acts of the Apostles Chapters 1-21:15

6 (a) Acts 5:1-10

Key Points:

sold property
 kept back some and gave rest to apostles
 lied to Holy Spirit
 was at your disposal but lied
 lied to God not man
 Ananias fell down dead
 wife arrived not knowing about death
 she lied about money/she died

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Notes:

Need both the deaths given for level 4.

(b) Acts 2:42-47; 4:32-35

expect devotion to apostle's teaching/ fellowship/breaking bread/prayer/miracles
 and signs/shared/sold to give to those in need/met together in temple
 courts/preached/conversions/numbers added
 worshipped in synagogues, where accepted
 apostles observed the Jewish hour of prayer at temple initially

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Maximum level 3 if only discussed sharing aspects of life

7 (a) Acts 6-7

Key Points:

one of the seven
 did miracles
 opposed by members of the Freedmen – falsely accused of blasphemy
 taken before Sanhedrin
 speech about Moses and how Jews had not obeyed him
 received law but not obeyed – accused them now of rejecting Jesus
 vision of Son of Man
 stoned him
 last words of Stephen – receive my spirit/forgive them
 died – Saul witness to death

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Notes:

For Level 4 – must include more than Stephen's martyrdom material.

(b) Acts 7:1-53 (esp. verses 48-53)

insults to Jews/questioning beliefs/accusations against them/blasphemy

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- 8 (a) Acts 12:6-19
Key points:
Peter's situation in prison
appearance of angel/what angel said
Peter's way out of prison not blocked
Peter's response when angel left him (verse 11)
house of Mary/Rhoda servant girl [7]
- (b) Acts 12:2f:
Herod Agrippa 1 also called Tetrarch
arrested some of the church – to persecute
had James brother of John, killed
saw pleased Jews so seized Peter – i.e. fraternised with Jews for popularity and support
reaction to Peter's escape
Herod's death (verses 20-23) [5]
- 9 (a) Acts 17:1-10
Key Points:
went to synagogue/Sabbath/reasoned with them/Christ's death and resurrection/Jesus is Christ
some converted/some Jews jealous/started riot
rushed Jason's house searching for Paul and Silas/not there
dragged out Jason and others to officials
accused welcoming Paul and Silas who were troublemakers
defying Caesar's decrees/another king – Jesus/turmoil
put Jason on bail and released them/Paul and Silas went at night to Berea [7]
- (b) **Examples:**
keeping Sabbath
often went to Synagogue first and reasoned with Jews
preached Jesus' death and resurrection/Jesus as Christ
speak to people/Gentile mission
missionary strategy of visiting important cities e.g. Ephesus and Athens
varied approach and message when preaching to Gentiles
baptising
stayed with local person
opposition from Jews
encourage believers then moved on
appointed elders in local churches before moving on [5]

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10 (a) Acts 19:13-16

Key points:

(i) What they did: Jews/drove out evil spirits using name of Jesus/whom Paul preaches

(ii) What happened: spirits – I know Jesus/Paul/but who are you
man with evil spirit jumped on them and overpowered them
beat them – they ran out naked and bleeding

(iii) The reaction: seized with fear/name of Jesus honoured
believers confessed evil deeds/some burnt scrolls

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Notes

For level 4 need all three aspects.

(b) Acts 8:7f; 16:16f; 19:17-20:

evil spirits: their existence/recognition of power of Christianity/
personalities/possession of people/supernatural knowledge/tendency to
violence/defeated by name of Jesus

[5]

For level 4 need both aspects.