

FORM FOUR TERM ONE EXAM 2017

C.R.E PAPER 1 MARKING SCHEME

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1. (a) *Outline the main issues which human authors of the Bible concerned themselves with.*

- Oral traditions and narrative
 - Songs and wise sayings
 - Their own teachings and prayers
 - Historical events
 - Laws and regulations
 - Letters e.g. Paul's letters
- (Any 1x5=5mrks)

(b) *Identify six ways of God's plan of salvation for humankind in the Old Testament.*

- Even after Adam and Eve had sinned against Him, God looked for them and found them in the Garden of Eden.
 - God provided Adam and Eve with clothes to cover their nakedness and gave the means to find food.
 - God gave human beings the power to defeat their enemies when He said man would crush the serpent's head.
 - God called Abraham to show that blessings through Abraham
 - God sent His prophets to lead the people along the correct way of life
 - Moses was given the Ten commandments so that the Israelites would operate with them to be saved.
 - Through prophet, God promised His people a Messiah who will bring salvation to His people.
- (1x6=6mrks)

(c) *Explain the lessons that Christians would learn from the Biblical creation accounts about human responsibility as given by God.*

- Human beings are superior to the rest of God's creation as they were created in God's own image
 - Human beings were given dominion over other creation by being asked to name them
 - The environment is God's gift to human beings to exploit and conserve for their own benefit
 - Human beings are equal before God and they should respect each other
 - Human life is God given, sacred and should be protected
 - God intends human beings to work and develop their God given talents for their benefit
 - Human beings should devote at least one day a week to worship God as our creator,
 - Marriage is blessed by God for the sake of companionship, mutual love and procreation.
 - Human beings should glorify God for His love and care for us and at creation
 - Human beings should express their faith in God through acts of obedience to His commands.
- (1x9=9mrks)

2. (a) *Give six reasons why God rescued the Israelites from Egypt.*

- God had chosen the Israelites as His people
 - He wanted them to live in the promised land
 - He had heard their suffering, cries and oppression in bondage
 - He wanted to demonstrate to the Israelites that He was the God of their ancestors such as Abraham, Isaac and Jacob
 - He had made a promise to Abraham that his descendants would be sojourning in a foreign land but would be delivered to freedom
 - To further His salvation plan for mankind
 - To establish a covenant with them
 - To save His people from extermination
 - To enable the Israelites to get a deeper understanding of Him.
- (1x6=6mrks)

(b) *In what ways did God show concern for the Israelites as they travelled in the wilderness?*

- He provided them with able leaders like Moses, Aaron and Joshua
- He enabled them to cross the Red sea and thus saved them from Egyptian chariots
- He provided them with water and manna in the wilderness when they were thirsty and hungry

- He protected them from the hostile desert tribe e.g Amalekites
- He renewed the Sinai covenant
- He provided them with the Ten Commandments to guide in their daily lives.
- He punished those who had worshipped the golden calf so that people would live according to covenant way of life **(1x7=7mrks)**

(c) Explain how the ten commandments apply to Christians today.

- The ten commandments ensure that Christians remain faithful to God, our lord, alone
 - They guide the moral behavior Christians and ensure that they are faithful to their partners
 - They promote love among Christians
 - They enable Christians to co- exist peacefully
 - The Ten commandments help Christians to develop obedience To everybody around them
 - They promote honesty among Christians
 - They encourage respect for each others. Property
 - They encourage humility and obedience to God
 - They promote love among Christians
- (Any 1x7=7mrks)**

3. (a) Identify various manifestations of the power of God as experienced in the story of prophet Elijah.

- Thunder at Mt, Horeb
 - Earthquake at Mt. Horeb
 - Three years drought
 - Furious wind that split hills and shattered rocks
 - Fierce fire that consumed the sacrifice during the contest with Baal prophets
 - Great storm that marked end of drought
 - Destruction of officers sent to arrest Elijah
 - Raising the widow's son from the death at Zarephath
 - Elijah being taken up in heaven in a chariot of fire
- (Any 1x7=7mrks)**

(b) Explain why prophet Elijah and hostility during his time as a prophet.

- Jezebel as ordered the killing of true prophets of God and that Elijah
 - Elijah fled and hid in the wilderness where he faced danger of being attacked by wild animals
 - Elijah faced death while in the wilderness due to lack of food and water
 - Suffering in the wilderness threatened Elijah faith and discouraged him from his prophetic work.
 - Elijah courageously fought against idolatry in Israel in the face of the persecution of the prophets of God and that endangered his life
 - Elijah prophesied the three and a half years drought and the King and worshippers of Baal attributed the resulting suffering to him
 - Elijah confronted Ahab and pronounced God's judgment on dispossessed Naboth of his Vineyard, which exposed him to the wrath of the King.
- (Any 1x6=6mrks)**

(c) Show how the story of prophet Elijah is relevant to Christians today.

- Elijah condemned King Ahab for dispossessing Naboth of his Vineyard. Christians today should courageously condemn evil in society , irrespective of how powerful those commit them are
- He condemned idolatry in Israel Christians must fight against modern forms of false gods like love of wealth and drug abuse
- Christians should constantly seek Gods guidance through prayers knowing that God faithfully keeps promises, as Elijah did.
- Christians should be prepared to sacrifice personal comfort and even jail in their struggle against corruption, devil worship and dictatorship, in the same way as Elijah suffered in the wilderness
- Like, Elijah Christians today should develop life skills like critical and creative thinking in order to confront modern challenges like abuse of human rights by leaders
- Christians today should call sinners to repentance so that they are not punished like Baal prophets when Elijah ordered to be killed
- Christians should seek guidance of the Holy spirit and remain firm in their faith in Jesus in the face of persecution ,like Elijah stood firm against threats from Jezebel
- Christians who are in positions of leadership should not misuse their officers to misuse their officers to enrich themselves in the way king Ahab did
- Christians should support the disadvantaged in society in the same way Elijah helped the widow

- Christians are messenger of God and must not shy away from speaking the truth, in the same way Elijah pronounced the three and a half years drought.

(Any 1x7=7mrks)

4. (a) **Outline the characteristics of the false prophets.**

- They followed their own imaginations and filled the people with false hopes
- They had no personal knowledge of God
- They employed evil forces like magic
- They prophesied for payment which went against the covenant
- They served other gods like Baal and not Yahweh.
- They prophesied to please the king and their clients
- They condoned evils committed by the Kings against the people of God
- Their prophecies never came to pass

(Any 1x7=7mrks)

(b) **Give seven reasons why Israel would face God's judgment according to the teaching of prophet Amos.**

- They practised idolatry which annoyed God
- They practiced hypocrisy /insincere in worship
- The rich sold the poor into slavery
- The rich led luxurious lives at the expense of the poor
- There was robbery with violence
- They practiced syncretism
- There was cheating in business whereby the poor were exploited
- There was bribery and corruption in law courts
- Political leaders put their trust in alliances with other nations other than God

(Any 1x7=7mrks)

(c) **State ways in which Christians can avoid God's punishment.**

- Obeying all commandments of God
- Preaching the good news of Jesus
- Condemning evil in the society
- Being prayerful
- Showing love by assisting the needy
- Standing firm in the face of temptation and persecution
- Worshipping God sincerely
- Believing in the teaching of Jesus Christ
- Repenting their sins and forgiving others **(Any 1x6=6mrks)**

5. (a) **State seven teachings of prophet Jeremiah about the New covenant.**

- The new covenant was to be written in people's hearts i.e. God's law was to be internalized
- The covenant was to be made between God and the remnant community after exile
- The people were to have a personal knowledge of God
- God to forgive their sins and remember them no more
- Each individual was to be responsible for his or her own actions or sins
- The new covenant was to be initiated by God
- It was to result in the emergence of a new people of God or a New Israel
- The new covenant was to last forever

(Any 1x7=7mrks)

(b) **Why did Prophet Jeremiah condemn the way the Israelites worshipped?**

- The Israelites broke the Ten commandments i.e. disobeyed Yahweh's commands
- They practiced hypocrisy i.e. they were concerned more with external religious observances while their hearts were far from God
- They forgot the saving miracles of God in their history and worshipped foreign gods and idols e.g. Baal and Asherah
- They practiced syncretism i.e. they worshipped both Yahweh and foreign gods
- They listened to false prophets and rejected God's prophets like Jeremiah
- They dishonoured the sanctity of human life by offering human sacrifice
- They neglected the disadvantages widows and orphans
- They were dishonest and deceitful in their dealing with one another
- They involved themselves in necromancy divination & magic.

- They rebelled against their God by breaking the covenant relationship
(Any 1x8=8mrks)

(c) ***Give five ways in which the prophetic ministry of Jeremiah is similar to that of Jesus.***

- Both were rejected by their own relatives and communities
- Both experienced opposition from the political and religious authorities of their times
- Both lamented the stubbornness of the inhabitants of Jerusalem and foretold its destruction
- Both predicted end day divine judgment, punishment and disasters
- Jeremiah predicted the new covenant which was fulfilled by Jesus

(Any 1x5=5mrks)

6. (a) ***In what ways was African community land considered important?***

- Community land was for the common use of all members of the community for cultivation and grazing
- Land was communally owned by the male members of the community
- Sacred places such as mountains and caves were accessible for worship by all members of the community
- Land was subdivided among members of the community
- Strangers absorbed into the community were allowed the use of communal land
- Women were free to use communal land but were not allowed to own it

(Any 1x5=5mrks)

(b) ***Explain the traditional African concept of property and property ownership.***

- Property was owned by men in traditional African community
- Property was determined by amount of land that a family cultivated, and the number of wives, children and livestock that a man own
- Property was inherited by sons at the death of their fathers
- The needy were assisted to acquire their own property by other members of the community
- Women and children were free to use family property but could own it
- A dead man's property, including wives, was inherited by his close relatives like brothers
- Among some communities the eldest son inherited his late father's youngest wife

(Any 1x7=7mrks)

(c) ***State the changes in attitudes towards property and wealth in modern African communities.***

- Individuals ownership has replaced communal ownership of property
- Women are free to inherit, acquire property and dispose it off as they wish
- Property is classified in terms of movable and immovable assets
- Individuals are to bequeath property to anyone they wish through a will
- Wives and children are no longer considered as part of man's property
- Money is the most important measure of an individual's wealth
- Urbanization has led to ownership of commercial land in towns
- Individuals may own land anywhere regardless of where their communities live
- Land may be leased out to others for limited periods of time

(Any 1x9=9mrks)