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Paper 2 The portrayal of the birth of the early church

For Examination from 2015

SPECIMEN PAPER

1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

Answer any **four** questions.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

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

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Answer any **four** questions.

- 1 (a) Give the arguments that support the view that the Acts of the Apostles was written before 64 CE. [6]
- (b) What evidence is there that might suggest that Luke's Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles were both written by the same person? [6]
- (c) 'The events recorded in the Acts of the Apostles are accurate accounts of what happened.'
- To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]
- 2 (a) Give an account of the occasion when Peter and John healed the lame man. [6]
- (b) Explain
- (i) why Peter and John were arrested after this healing, **and**
- (ii) how Peter responded to the order not to speak any more in the name of Jesus. [6]
- (c) 'Peter is the person most responsible for the spread of the church.'
- To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]
- 3 (a) Relate the events that led to the conversion of the Ethiopian eunuch. [6]
- (b) Philip was one of 'the seven'. What do we learn about how these men were selected and their responsibilities? [6]
- (c) 'The conversion of Saul was very different from the conversion of the Ethiopian eunuch.'
- To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. Do not retell either incident in your answer. [8]
- 4 (a) Give a brief account of what happened when Paul visited Corinth on his second missionary journey. [6]
- (b) Explain why Paul often encountered opposition from Jews during his missionary journeys. [6]
- (c) To what extent do you think Paul's second missionary journey was a success? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

5 (a) Give an account of how Paul escaped the plot to kill him when he was under arrest in Jerusalem. [6]

(b) Explain why Paul was sent to Rome for trial. [6]

(c) 'The Jews were more of a threat to Paul than the Romans.'

To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

6 (a) Give an account of Paul's speech to King Agrippa. [6]

(b) Explain how Paul adapted his speech at Athens to suit his audience. [6]

(c) 'Paul's speeches were always about Jesus' death and resurrection.'

To what extent do you agree? Show in your answer that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

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