
DIVINITY

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Paper 2 The Four Gospels

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3 hours

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Answer **four** questions. If you choose to answer Question 1, answer in **one** version only.

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

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

You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

All questions in this paper carry 25 marks.

This document consists of **4** printed pages and **1** Insert.

REVISED STANDARD VERSION

- 1 Comment on points of interest or difficulty in **four** of the following passages (wherever possible answers should refer to the context of the passage but should not retell the story from which the passage is taken): [25]
- (a) This was to fulfil what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, “Out of Egypt have I called my son.” (Matthew 2:15b)
 - (b) But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me; for you are not on the side of God, but of men.” (Matthew 16:23)
 - (c) And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zeb’edee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. (Mark 1:19)
 - (d) For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they wash their hands, observing the tradition of the elders ... (Mark 7:3)
 - (e) And Zechari’ah was troubled when he saw him, and fear fell upon him. (Luke 1:12)
 - (f) So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way. (Luke 19:4)
 - (g) In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. (John 1:4–5)
 - (h) It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Laz’arus was ill. (John 11:2)

NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION

- 1 Comment on points of interest or difficulty in **four** of the following passages (wherever possible answers should refer to the context of the passage but should not retell the story from which the passage is taken): [25]
- (a) And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Out of Egypt I called my son."
(Matthew 2:15b)
 - (b) Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; you do not have in mind the things of God, but the things of men."
(Matthew 16:23)
 - (c) When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets.
(Mark 1:19)
 - (d) The Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they give their hands a ceremonial washing, holding to the tradition of the elders.
(Mark 7:3)
 - (e) When Zechariah saw him, he was startled and was gripped with fear.
(Luke 1:12)
 - (f) So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.
(Luke 19:4)
 - (g) In him was life, and that life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.
(John 1:4–5)
 - (h) This Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair.
(John 11:2)

- 2 Examine the role of Joseph in Matthew's birth narrative. [25]
- 3 How positive is Matthew's portrait of the disciples in his gospel? [25]
- 4 Assess Jesus' relationship with the Jewish authorities in Mark's Gospel. [25]
- 5 'The Messianic Secret is a central theme in Mark.' Discuss. [25]
- 6 Examine Luke's portrayal of the importance of the Holy Spirit in his gospel. [25]
- 7 Assess how 'humility', as a Lucan theme, first appears in Christ's birth narrative and then continues throughout his gospel. [25]
- 8 'John's Prologue prepares the reader for the rest of the gospel.' Discuss. [25]
- 9 Examine John's use of 'water' and 'living water' in his gospel. [25]
- 10 Assess whether the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5–7 and the Sermon on the Plain in Luke 6:17–49 reflect the purpose of the authors. [25]
- 11 'Jesus was more than just a miracle worker.' Discuss. [25]
- 12 Examine the different titles for Christ used by **two** gospel authors. [25]
- 13 Examine whether the main differences between the gospels came from the authors' different audiences. [25]
- 14 Examine the impact of Roman rule in Palestine on the life and ministry of Jesus. [25]

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