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maximum raw mark 60

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SECTION A

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

1 (a) (i) Luke 1:59–66

Key points

naming on eighth day when they circumcised the child/wanted to name after father/
 Mother said no – name John/no relatives called John/Zechariah wrote “His name is
 John”/all marvelled/immediately spoke and blessed God/fear on all their neighbours/what
 then will this child be? they asked/Lord’s hand was on him

(ii) Luke 3:15–18

Key points

I baptise you with water/one more powerful than I will come/the thongs of whose sandals
 I am not worthy to untie/he will baptise with Holy Spirit and fire/his winnowing fork in his
 hand/to clear threshing-floor/gather up the wheat into barn/burn chaff with unquenchable
 fire/preached the good news to them [7]

Notes:

If only one part answered, then maximum level 2 (4 marks).

(b) Examples

similar – angels announced births/miraculous births/given missions by God/attracted
 followers

different – baptisms/John an aesthete – Jesus not (Luke 7:33)/John not the Messiah [5]

2 (a) Luke 4:16–30

Key points

Sabbath day/read/Isaiah/sat down/all looked at him/today this scripture is fulfilled in your
 hearing/spoke well of him/isn't this Joseph's son
 physician heal yourself/do here as in Capernaum/no prophet accepted in home town
 Elijah and widow of Zarephath/Elisha and Naaman
 crowd furious/brow of hill/to throw him over/walked away [7]

(b) Examples

Messianic claims/fulfilled prophecy/arrival of Kingdom/awareness of future rejection and
 opposition/kept the Jewish Law/was recognised as a teacher early in his ministry [5]

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3 (a) Luke 9:10–17

Key points

apostles asked Jesus – send crowd away/to go into country to lodge and get food for we are lonely place here/you give them something to eat, said Jesus/only 5 loaves 2 fishes – unless we go and buy some
make them sit down in companies about 50 in each/blessed/broke/gave/all satisfied/12 basketfuls of broken pieces left [7]

(b) **Examples**

supernatural and miracles rejected/link with last supper through the symbolism of breaking bread and feeding/fits later church understanding and practice/details seem unlikely, e.g. crowd of 5000 [5]

4 (a) Luke 12:16–21 and Luke 18:18–30

Key points

Rich Fool: good crop/no place to store/build bigger barns/have good things/laid up for many years
take life easy/eat, drink, be merry/God said – fool/this night life demanded/who will get what you have prepared/same for anyone not rich towards God
rich ruler: good teacher – what must I do to inherit eternal life/why call me good/no-one good except God/commandments/kept all since youth/you lack one thing/sell everything and give to poor/treasure in heaven/follow me/sad/wealthy/hard for rich man/eye of needle/who can be saved then?/what is impossible with men is possible with God [7]

Notes:

If only one part answered, then maximum level 2 (4 marks).

(b) **Examples**

doing what God values and not what this world values/material possessions barrier to God/our concern for God is what matters ultimately [5]

5 (a) Luke 24:1–11

Key points

women take spices/found stone rolled away/entered/no body/two men in gleaming clothes/women took fright/bowed down/why look for living among dead?/not here/risen/remember how he told you/Son of Man/delivered/crucified/third day rising/then they remembered his words/told Eleven/not believe [7]

(b) **Examples**

avoided by denying charges/avoided being threatening and provocative to authorities/not entering Jerusalem
could not avoid – prophecy fulfilled/God's plan/betrayed and deserted by disciples [5]

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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) Examples – Acts 2:1–13 (Pentecost)/Acts 10:44–48 (Cornelius)/Acts 19:1–7 (Ephesus)

Key points from any two

Pentecost: all in one place/sound like blowing of violent wind from heaven/saw like tongues of fire that separated/rested on each of them/all filled with Holy Spirit – spoke in other tongues/Jerusalem filled with Jews from every nation/when they heard sound – a crowd gathered/they heard speaking in own language

Cornelius: Peter at Cornelius' house/whilst he was still speaking the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message/circumcised believers astonished that Spirit poured out on Gentiles/heard them speaking in tongues and praising God/those who received Spirit were baptised in name of Jesus Christ

Ephesus: Paul arrived Ephesus and met some disciples/did you receive Holy Spirit when you believed?/no, not even heard of it/what baptism did you receive?/John's baptism/that was baptism of repentance/believe in Jesus/baptised/placed hands on them and the Holy Spirit came upon them/spoke in tongues and prophesied [7]

Notes:

Any **TWO** required only. If only one answered, then maximum level 2 (4 marks).

(b) Examples

revelation, wisdom and boldness in preaching/power to do miracles/source of conversion/guidance (e.g. Paul at Troas Acts 16:7–8) [5]

7 (a) Acts 6–7

Key points

one of the seven/did wonders and signs/falsely accused/first Christian martyr/longest sermon recorded in Acts/faith never wavered/asked God to forgive his murderers/possible influence on Saul/his death led to dispersion [7]

(b) Examples

some Jews could not argue against him and so accused him of blasphemy against Moses and God/stirred up people and false witnesses and brought him before the Council/accused him of saying that Jesus would destroy the Temple and change Mosaic customs/Stephen accused them of being stiff-necked, uncircumcised in heart and resisting Holy Spirit, of persecuting prophets, and not keeping law Paul caused riots/threatened livelihoods/seen as threat to the keeping of Mosaic laws [5]

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8 (a) Acts 15:12–21

Key points

listened to Barnabas and Paul recounting miracles among Gentiles/God shown his concern by taking from Gentiles a people for himself/fulfils prophecy of Amos/therefore not make more difficult for Gentiles who are turning to God/write to them/abstain from food polluted by idols/from sexual immorality/from meat of strangled animals, and from blood/for Moses preached in every city from earliest times and read in synagogues [7]

(b) Examples

Peter and vision/Peter and Cornelius/Peter defends actions to circumcision group at Jerusalem/Peter speaks at Council of Jerusalem
Paul called as person to carry message to Gentiles at his conversion/Paul at Council of Jerusalem/Paul's missionary journeys including first to Jews and then strategy was to go to Gentiles
though Peter saw first Gentile convert, it was Paul who spread the Christian church to Gentiles [5]

9 (a) (i) Acts 15:36–40

Key points

said to Barnabas/revisit towns/Barnabas wanted to take John Mark/Paul did not think it wise/he had deserted them during first missionary trip/not continued with them in the work/sharp disagreement/parted company/Barnabas took Mark and went to Cyprus/Paul took Silas and went to Syria

(ii) Acts 16:9–10

Key points

during night Paul had vision/man of Macedonia standing and begging/come over to Macedonia and help us/Paul got ready at once to leave for Macedonia/concluded that God had called him to preach the gospel to them [7]

Notes:

If only one part answered, then maximum level 2 (4 marks).

(b) Examples

single mindedness of Paul in his missionary work/demanded loyalty and reliable workers with him/open to Spirit leading/open to changing plans/led by God [5]

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10 (a) (i) Acts 20:17–35

Key points

recalled time at Ephesus/humble servant/outspoken messenger of Christ/now compelled to go to Jerusalem/imprisonment and hardship await him but were unimportant/wanted to complete God's task for him/see him no more/responsibility for their church was no longer his

(ii) Acts 20:17–35

Key points

act as faithful pastors – feeding the sheep/guard against false teachers within and without the Church/copy his example of being self-supporting and of hard work – so helping weaker brethren to be industrious

[7]

Notes:

If only one part answered, then maximum level 2 (4 marks).

(b) **Examples**

prophets: spoke to church/delivered revelation of word of God/prediction. Inspired utterances/gave spiritual insight/ministry of encouragement and strengthening/some of prophets may have had itinerant ministry

deacons: servant/Jerusalem church appoint 7/supervise administration of widows' fund/hands laid on them/Philip and Stephen amongst the 7 so suggests wider ministry including doing miracles

[5]