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**014/2** **BIBLE KNOWLEDGE 2**

(For Both School and Private Candidates)

**Time: 2:30 Hours** **Wednesday, 11th November 2015 p.m.**

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## Instructions

1. This paper consists of sections **A**, **B** and **C**. Section **A** consists of questions from the Gospel according to Matthew, Section **B** from the Gospel according to Luke and Section **C** from the Acts of the Apostles.
2. Answer a total of **five (5)** questions.
3. Choose **three (3)** questions from **either** section **A** or **B**; and **two (2)** questions from section **C**.
4. Question **1** is compulsory for candidates who choose to answer questions from section **A** and question **5** is compulsory for candidates who choose to answer questions from section **B**.
5. Each question carries **twenty (20)** marks.
6. Cellular phones, Bibles and any other unauthorized materials are **not** allowed in the examination room.
7. Write your **Examination Number** on every page of your answer booklet(s).

## SECTION A: THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

Answer **question 1** and **any other two (2)** from this section.

1. Provide short answers from the following questions:

   (a) When Joseph resolved to divorce Mary quietly (Matthew 1:20), what did the angel of the Lord say to him? **(02 marks)**

   (b) When Herod summoned the wise men from East secretly, he knew from them what time the star appeared (Matthew 2:7). What did Herod command the wise men to do? **(02 marks)**

   (c) Did the wise men from East actually obey the command of Herod? Give reason. **(02 marks)**

   (d) After the departure of the wise men, what did the angel of the Lord tell Joseph? (Matthew 2:13) **(02 marks)**

   (e) Herod realized that he was tricked by the wise men (Matthew 2:6). What was his reaction? **(02 marks)**

   (f) When John the Baptist was baptizing people in the Jordan, he saw the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism. Recite his reaction towards them (Matthew 3:7-8). **(02 marks)**

   (g) If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread (Matthew 4:3). Who was the addressee and what was the response of the addressee? **(02 marks)**

   (h) When Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon, Peter and his brother Andrew. What did he say to them and what did they do thereafter (Matthew 4:18-20)? **(02 marks)**

   (i) When the Pharisees saw Jesus and his disciples eating with tax collectors and sinners, they asked his disciples as to why Jesus did os (Matthew 9:11). Write down the response of Jesus against the Pharisees' attitude. **(02 marks)**

   (j) State the great commission as recorded in Matthew 28:19-20. **(02 marks)**

2. Matthew is said to be a Gospel of the King. Show how the kingship of Jesus is prominently evident in the gospel according to Matthew by giving five points. **(20 marks)**

3. Read the following passage from Matthew 13:24-30 and answer the questions that follow:

[24] Another parable he put before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field; [25] but while men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. [26] So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. [27]And the servants (slaves) of the householder came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then has it weeds?' [28] He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' The servants (slaves) said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' [29] But he said, 'No; lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. [30] Let both grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

**Questions:**

(a) What do you understand by the term "parable" as used in the passage? **(02 marks)**

(b) What do the following represent in the passage?

(i) The sower **(01 mark)**
(ii) The field **(01 mark)**
(iii) The good seed **(01 mark)**
(iv) The weeds **(01 mark)**
(v) The enemy **(01 mark)**
(vi) The harvest **(01 mark)**
(vii) The reapers **(01 mark)**

(c) Give four reasons as to why Jesus used parables in his teaching. **(08 marks)**

(d) Mention three parables recorded in Matthew apart from the parable of the weeds. **(03 marks)**

4. In the Gospel according to Matthew Jesus is reported to have approved/acknowledged people's faith. Identify three occasions to justify the statement and in two points, explain how true faith can help today's believers in their daily lives. **(20 marks)**

## SECTION B: THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE

Answer **question 5** and **any other two (2)** from this section.

5. Give short answers for the following questions:

(a) When Zechariah the priest was serving in the temple he saw an angel and was afraid (Luke 1:12). What did the angel say to Zechariah in connection to his fear? **(02 marks)**

(b) Mary hesitated when the angel told her that she would bear a son, but the angel insisted, 'For with God nothing will be impossible' (Luke 1:37). What did Mary say to the angel? **(02 marks)**

(c) After the birth of Jesus, there was a man who rejoiced at seeing Jesus brought in the temple and blessed God, saying, "Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace, according to your word…" (Luke 2:25-29). Describe the man. **(02 marks)**

(d) In Jerusalem there was a prophetess called Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher (luke 2:36-38). Briefly explain her life history. **(02 marks)**

(e) What happened at Jordan, when Jesus was praying after he had been baptized according to Luke 3:21-22? **(02 marks)**

(f) At Nazareth, his home place, Jesus was rejected by his own people, and they attempted to kill him (Luke 4:29). Tell the action which the people did against Jesus. **(02 marks)**

(g) At Capermaum Jesus went in the synagogue and as he taught, a man with the spirit of unclean demon cried out with a loud voice (Luke 4:31-34). What did the demon say? **(02 marks)**

(h) "The disciples of John fast often and offer prayers, and so do the disciples of the Pharisees, but yours eat and drink" (Luke 5:33). Write down the response of Jesus to the quotation. **(02 marks)**

(i) John the Baptist sent two of his disciples to ask Jesus, "Are you he who is to come, or shall we look for another?" (Luke 7:19). What did Jesus tell them? **(02 marks)**

(j) At Samaria the villagers refused to receive Jesus because his face was set toward Jerusalem (Luke 9:53). What reaction did the disciples of Jesus give with regard to the rejection? **(02 marks)**

6. Read the following passage from Luke 20:9-19 and answer the questions that follow:

[9]And he began to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard, and let it out to the tenants, and went into another country for a long while. [10]When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, that they should give him some of the fruit of the vineyard; but the tenants beat him, and sent him away empty-handed. [11] And he sent another servant; him also they beat and treated shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. [12]and he sent yet a third; this one they wounded and cast out. [13]Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; it may be they will respect him.' [14]But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves. 'This is the heir, let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours.' [15]and they cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? [16]He will come and destroy those tenants, and give the vineyard to others." When they heard this, they said, "God forbid!" [17]But he looked at them and said, "What then is this that is written: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner'? [18]Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces; but when it falls on any one it will crush him." [19]The

scribes and the chief priests tried to lay hands on him at that very hour, but they feared the people; for they perceived that he had told this parable against them.

**Questions:**

(a) What do you understand by the term "parable" as used in the passage? **(03 marks)**

(b) What do the following represent in the passage?

(i) The vineyard. **(01 mark)**

(ii) The owner of the vineyard. **(01 mark)**

(iii) The tenants. **(01 mark)**

(iv) The servants. **(01 mark)**

(v) The beloved son. **(01 mark)**

(vi) The fruit of the vineyard. **(01 mark)**

(c) Give four reasons as to why Jesus used parables in his teaching. **(08 marks)**

(d) Mention three parables recorded in Luke apart from the parable of the tenants. **(03 marks)**

7. According to Luke 23:1-2, the Jewish council brought Jesus to Pilate.

(a) Identify and explain three accusations brought against Jesus. **(09 marks)**

(b) Were those accusations in 7(a) above true or not? Briefly give reason(s) for your answer. **(02 marks)**

(c) Cite three people who acknowledged the innocence of Jesus, giving examples of their statements of acknowledgement. **(09 marks)**

8. In Luke 7:11-17 there is the event whereby Jesus raised the widow's son at Nain.

(a) Summarize the story. **(05 marks)**

(b) Give five lessons you can get from the event. **(15 marks)**

## SECTION C: THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Answer **two (2)** questions from this section.

9. Narrate the story of the conversion of Cornelius a Roman centurion in Acts 10:1-48 **(20 marks)**

10. "The coming of the Holy Spirit was the turning point in the lives of the apostles and the disciples of Jesus." Analyze this statement by giving five points. **(20 marks)**

11. "Peace talks" are always the greatest resource in time of conflict situations in order to reach general agreement. With reverence to the Acts of the Apostles:

(a) Describe three incidents where the apostles encountered conflict situations among members and called for a peace talk and then identify the agreement for each. **(18 marks)**

(b) Provide one lesson which your society can learn from the conflict situations and the consensus reached as you have described in 11(a). **(02 marks)**

12. While Paul was focused to go to Jerusalem as reported in Acts 20:1-21:16, the Holy Spirit and the believers warned him of the consequences of the journey to Jerusalem. Explain three occasions where the Holy Spirit or the believers warned Paul not to go to Jerusalem and give two lessons you can learn from the occasions. **(20 marks)**