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Paper 3 The Apostolic Age

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Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

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 all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

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

Answer **four** questions.

Answer at least **one** question from **each** Section.

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

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

All questions in this paper carry equal marks.

This document consists of **4** printed pages.



Section A

Answer at least **one** question from this section.

If you choose question **1**, answer in **one** version only.

Acts 1–21:15 and Galatians

REVISED STANDARD VERSION

- 1** Comment on points of interest or difficulty in **four** of the following, with brief reference to the general context:
- (a) After him Judas the Galilean arose in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him; he also perished, and all who followed him were scattered. So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone. (Acts 5:37–38a)
 - (b) Men, why are you doing this? We also are men, of like nature with you, and bring you good news, that you should turn from these vain things to a living God who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them. (Acts 14:15)
 - (c) And he said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?” And they said, “No, we have never even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” And he [Paul] said, “Into what then were you baptized?” (Acts 19:2–3a)
 - (d) For I would have you know, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not man’s gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it ... (Galatians 1:11–12a)
 - (e) Now we, brethren, like Isaac, are children of promise. But as at that time he who was born according to the flesh persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, so it is now. (Galatians 4:28–29)
 - (f) For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love be servants of one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word ... (Galatians 5:13–14a)

NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION

- 1** Comment on points of interest or difficulty in **four** of the following, with brief reference to the general context:
- (a) After him, Judas the Galilean appeared in the days of the census and led a band of people in revolt. He too was killed, and all his followers were scattered. Therefore, in the present case I advise you: Leave these men alone! (Acts 5:37–38a)
- (b) Men, why are you doing this? We too are only men, human like you. We are bringing you good news, telling you to turn from these worthless things to the living God, who made heaven and earth and sea and everything in them. (Acts 14:15)
- (c) And [he] asked them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?” They answered, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” So Paul asked, “Then what baptism did you receive?” (Acts 19:2–3a)
- (d) I want you to know, brothers, that the gospel I preached is not something that man made up. I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it ... (Galatians 1:11–12a)
- (e) Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise. At that time the son born in the ordinary way persecuted the son born by the power of the Spirit. It is the same now. (Galatians 4:28–29)
- (f) You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. The entire law is summed up in a single command ... (Galatians 5:13–14a)
- 2** Why was the Council of Jerusalem held, and what decisions did it reach? How difficult is it to reconcile the account of the Council in Acts with the evidence of Paul’s letters?
- 3** Discuss the role and the importance of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church and of the individual Christian as portrayed in Acts.
- 4** When and why was Galatians written?

Section B

Answer at least **one** question from this section.

- 5 Assess the role and importance of Peter in the development of the teaching and mission of the early Church.
- 6 How did Paul's conversion experience shape his faith and theology?
- 7 'For both Paul and the author of Hebrews, Abraham was a figure of greater significance than Moses.' Discuss.
- 8 Explain Paul's teaching in 1 Corinthians on the Church as 'the body of Christ', and the reasons which led him to give this teaching.
- 9 What, according to the Epistle of James, is the essence of true Christianity? Comment briefly on the circumstances which may have led the author to give this teaching.
- 10 What may be learned from Acts and the epistles you have studied for this paper concerning the organisation of the early Church and the development of its worship?

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