

Religious Studies B
PAPER 3: Area of Study 3 – Religion, Philosophy
and Social Justice
Option 3B – Christianity

Total Marks

Time: 1 hour 45 minutes

In the boxes below, write your name, centre number and candidate number.

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INSTRUCTIONS

Answer ALL questions.

Answer the questions in the spaces provided – there may be more space than you need.

INFORMATION

The total mark for this paper is 102.

The marks for EACH question are shown in brackets – use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.

Questions labelled with an ASTERISK (*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed – you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the use of specialist terminology.

The marks available for spelling, punctuation and grammar are clearly indicated.

ADVICE

Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.

Try to answer every question.

Check your answers if you have time at the end.

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Question 1: Christian Beliefs

- 1 (a) Outline THREE Christian beliefs about life after death.
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**(b) Explain TWO reasons why Creation may be significant for Christians today.
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(c) Explain TWO Christian solutions to the problem of evil and suffering.

In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.

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In this question, 3 of the marks awarded will be for your spelling, punctuation and grammar and your use of specialist terminology.

***(d) “The Bible clearly shows Jesus is God incarnate.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- refer to Christian teachings**
- reach a justified conclusion.**

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Question 2: Philosophy of Religion

2 (a) Outline THREE Christian beliefs about miracles. (3 marks)

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- (b) Explain TWO reasons why the cosmological argument might lead to belief in the existence of God.
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(c) Explain TWO reasons why a religious experience might lead to belief in God.

In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.

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(d) “Visions show what God is like.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- refer to Christian teachings**
- refer to non-religious points of view**
- reach a justified conclusion.**

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Question 3: Living the Christian Life

- 3 (a) Outline **THREE** ways the local church can help the individual believer.
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**(b) Explain TWO reasons why evangelical work is important for the Church.
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(c) Explain TWO reasons why Christian festivals are important.

In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.

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In this question, 3 of the marks awarded will be for your spelling, punctuation and grammar and your use of specialist terminology.

***(d) “Pilgrimage is important for all Christians.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- refer to Christian teachings**
- reach a justified conclusion.**

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Question 4: Equality

- 4 (a) Outline **THREE** ways Christians work for racial harmony.
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(b) Explain TWO Christian teachings about why racial discrimination causes problems in society. (4 marks)

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(c) Explain TWO Christian teachings about wealth and poverty.

In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.

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(d) “Religious freedom is always a good thing.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- refer to Christian teachings**
- refer to non-religious points of view**
- reach a justified conclusion.**

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