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Pearson Edexcel Level 1/Level 2
International GCSE (9–1)

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Religious Studies
PAPER 2: The Religious Community
Option 2B – Christianity

Thursday 16 May 2024 – Afternoon

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

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YOU MUST HAVE

Nil

YOU WILL BE GIVEN

Nil

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 60.

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

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ADVICE

Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.

Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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

Section 1: Origins and their Impact on the Community

- 1 (a) Outline TWO teachings of Jesus about discipleship.
(4 marks)**

Answer space continues on the next page.

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1(a) continued.

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**(b) Explain why the resurrection of Jesus is important for Christians.
(6 marks)**

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(c) “The ordained ministry is an essential aspect of Christian life.”

Discuss this statement considering the arguments for and against.

In your answer you should include:

- **reference to teachings**
- **other (divergent) points of view – either within the religion or from other religions**
- **your opinion/point of view using reasoned arguments**
- **a balanced conclusion.**

(10 marks)

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(Total for Question 1 = 20 marks)

Section 2: Celebration and Pilgrimage

- 2 (a) Outline TWO religious practices associated with the celebration of Christmas.
(4 marks)**

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**(b) Explain why pilgrimage to Jerusalem is important for some Christians.
(6 marks)**

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(c) “All Christians should try to make a pilgrimage to Bethlehem.”

Discuss this statement considering the arguments for and against.

In your answer you should include:

- **reference to teachings**
- **other (divergent) points of view – either within the religion or from other religions**
- **your opinion/point of view using reasoned arguments**
- **a balanced conclusion.**

(10 marks)

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(Total for Question 2 = 20 marks)

Section 3: Worship and Practice

- 3 (a) Outline TWO external features of a Christian place of worship.
(4 marks)**

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**(b) Explain why private prayer is important for many Christians.
(6 marks)**

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(c) “Marriage is an essential feature of Christian life.”

Discuss this statement considering the arguments for and against.

In your answer you should include:

- **reference to teachings**
- **other (divergent) points of view – either within the religion or from other religions**
- **your opinion/point of view using reasoned arguments**
- **a balanced conclusion.**

(10 marks)

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(Total for Question 3 = 20 marks)

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