
DIVINITY

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Paper 3 The Apostolic Age

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3 hours

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

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.

All questions in this paper carry 25 marks.



This document consists of **4** printed pages and **1** insert.

Section A

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

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

*Romans and James***REVISED STANDARD VERSION**

- 1** Comment on points of interest or difficulty in **four** of the following, with brief reference to the general context: [25]
- (a) For in it the righteousness of God is revealed through faith for faith; as it is written, “He who through faith is righteous shall live.” (Romans 1:17)
 - (b) But now we are discharged from the law, dead to that which held us captive, so that we serve not under the old written code but in the new life of the Spirit. (Romans 7:6)
 - (c) Brethren, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. (Romans 10:1–2)
 - (d) Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbour has fulfilled the law. (Romans 13:8)
 - (e) Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world. (James 1:27)
 - (f) You desire and do not have; so you kill. And you covet and cannot obtain; so you fight and wage war. You do not have, because you do not ask. (James 4:2)

NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION

- 1 Comment on points of interest or difficulty in **four** of the following, with brief reference to the general context: [25]
- (a) For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.” (Romans 1:17)
 - (b) But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code. (Romans 7:6)
 - (c) Brothers, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. (Romans 10:1–2)
 - (d) Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for he who loves his fellow-man has fulfilled the law. (Romans 13:8)
 - (e) Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world. (James 1:27)
 - (f) You want something but don’t get it. You kill and covet, but you cannot have what you want. You quarrel and fight. You do not have, because you do not ask God. (James 4:2)
- 2 How convincing is Paul’s argument at the start of Romans that ‘all have sinned’? [25]
- 3 Examine Paul’s use of the Old Testament in Romans. [25]
- 4 ‘The letter of James is clearly Christian, deeply Jewish, but as literature is Greek.’ Discuss. [25]

Section B

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

- 5 'Paul replaces Peter.' Is this an accurate summary of Acts 9–21? [25]
- 6 'The early Christian community was inevitably going to admit Gentiles without requiring them to be circumcised.' Discuss. [25]
- 7 Compare and contrast the ethical teaching in I Thessalonians and Colossians. [25]
- 8 Examine the use of the Old Testament in Hebrews. [25]
- 9 Assess Paul's teaching about the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church. [25]
- 10 'Persecution was the greatest threat to preaching the gospel.' Discuss, using the texts you have studied. [25]

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