

**MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2011 question paper  
for the guidance of teachers**

**2048 RELIGIOUS STUDIES (BIBLE KNOWLEDGE)**

**2048/21**

Paper 2 (Luke and Acts (1-21:15) Essay Questions),  
maximum raw mark 60

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These detailed notes must be used in conjunction with the level descriptors.

## SECTION A

### The Life and Teaching of Jesus as Portrayed in Luke's Gospel

#### 1 Luke 1:26-38

##### (a) Key Points:

Mary in Nazareth/Pledged to Joseph  
 Angel said – you are highly favoured/Lord is with you Mary troubled  
 Don't be afraid/birth to son/name him Jesus  
 Will be great and be called Son of the Most High  
 Will have throne of David/reign for ever  
 Not possible – virgin  
 Power of Most High overshadow/son called the holy/Son of God  
 Elizabeth also have child/nothing impossible with God  
 Mary – I am the Lord's servant

##### Notes:

Not all points required for level 4.

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##### (b) Examples:

(i) virgin/found favour with God/special/her acceptance as Lord's servant

(ii) special/linked to God/future role/Son of God

##### Notes:

Maximum level 3 if only discussed **one** of Mary or Jesus.

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#### 2 (a) Nature Miracles:

Miraculous catch of fish Luke 5:1-11  
 Calming the storm Luke 8:22-25  
 Feeding the 5000 Luke 9:10-17

##### Raising from dead:

Widow of Nain's son Luke 7:11-17  
 Jairus' daughter Luke 8:40-56

##### Notes:

Level 3 if only answered on one miracle.

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##### (b) Examples:

Crowds came to hear and be healed (5:15)  
 Opposition of scribes and Pharisees (6:11)  
 Thankful leper (17:16)  
 Spread news/great prophet (7:17)  
 Realisation of who Jesus was (8:25)

##### Notes:

Reference to a miracle for level 4.

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3 Luke 16:19-31

(a) **Key Points:**

- Description of each
- Both died/different destinations
- Request of Rich Man for Lazarus to help him
- Abraham explains – great chasm
- Warn others/have Moses/not even if someone rose from dead

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(b) **Examples:**

Different destinations/actions in our earthly life affect our eternal destiny/great chasm/have evidence

**Notes:**

- Expect level 4 answers to refer back to text.
- Two good discussion areas could gain level 4.

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4 Luke 19:28-46

(a) **Key Points:**

- Bethphage/Bethany – colt tied never ridden
- The Lord has need of it
- Did as instructed/took to Jesus
- Threw coats over it/crowd reaction
- Blessed is the king...
- Pharisees – rebuke your disciples
- Stones will cry out
- Wept over Jerusalem future
- Enters Temple and drove out traders
- My house shall be house of prayer; but you have made it a den of robbers

**Notes:**

Not all required for level 4.

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(b) **Examples:**

- Knew future
- Messianic – prophesied in Isaiah 56:7/Zechariah 9:9
- Peace not war
- Prophecy
- Humility
- Love for Jerusalem and its people

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5 Luke 23:32-46

**(a) Key Points:**

Two criminals – one either side

Words from cross – Father forgive them for they do not know what they are doing/Into your hands

Words to Jesus – conversation with the two criminals – don't you fear God?/we are getting what we deserve/but this man has done nothing wrong/remember me when you come into your kingdom/promise of paradise

Words from rulers – He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ/words from soldiers – if you are the king of the Jews, save yourself

Events – soldiers casting lots/sign King of the Jews/mockings/offered wine vinegar/darkness/temple curtain

**Notes:**

For level 4 need some of words and some events mentioned.

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**(b) Examples: areas:**

Death achieving something: salvation/significance of events

Portrayal of Jesus: forgiving enemies – calm/in control/voluntary/deliberate

Claims: King of the Jews/messiah

Spiritual blindness of those who opposed Jesus and secured his death

**Notes:**

One area fully discussed could achieve level 4.

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## Section B

### The Birth of the Church as Portrayed in the Acts of the Apostles Chapters 1-21:15

#### 6 Acts 3:1-10

##### (a) Key Points:

Peter/John going to Temple at 9<sup>th</sup> hour/time of prayer  
 Lame man from birth carried  
 Laid daily at Beautiful Gate asking alms  
 Peter and John directed gaze at him when man asked for alms  
 "Look at us" he expected to receive something  
 I have no silver or gold but I give you what I have  
 In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk  
 Took him by right hand – feet ankles became strong  
 Leaping up – walked praising God  
 All people saw him walking and praising God  
 All filled with wonder and amazement

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##### (b) Examples:

Preaching  
 Healing/miraculous  
 Authority over Christians  
 Decision making  
 Baptised people  
 Managing church organisation (finance etc.)  
 Witness to the resurrection of Jesus  
 Power to bestow gift of the Holy Spirit through the laying on of hands

##### Notes:

For level 3 and above there needs to be some justification by reference to the text. Not all aspects are to be expected for a level 4. [5]

#### 7 Acts 7:54-60

##### (a) Key Points:

##### What happened:

Furious and gnashed teeth at him  
 Stephen full of Holy Spirit – looked up to heaven  
 Saw glory of God and Jesus standing at right hand of God  
 "I see heaven open and Son of man standing at right hand of God"  
 They covered ears, yelling and dragged him out of city  
 Began to stone him  
 Witnesses laid clothes at feet of Saul  
 While being stoned Stephen prayed  
 Lord Jesus receive my spirit  
 Then fell on knees – Lord do not hold this sin against them  
 Then died

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**Reason:**

Students may refer to points Stephen makes throughout his sermon, but expect focus on verses 51-53: e.g. labelled Jewish religious leaders 'uncircumcised' – called question their whole position and religious dealings throughout history – likened them to the fathers who also killed the prophets – called them murderers and betrayers Claimed they did not keep the law (Torah was central to them, esp. Sadducees)

**Notes:**

Maximum level 3 if only one aspect answered.

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- (b) Persecution followed which led to more widespread preaching of the Gospel  
Stephen's death factor in bringing Saul (Paul) to become a Christian  
Stephen's speech beginning of theological revolution of universal mission  
Luke records speech in detail suggesting it is important  
Break from old Temple worship  
Early Church were the new people of God not just a sect of the old Israel, and rejected by the Jews (just as the prophets and Jesus had been) [5]

8 Acts 14:8-20

(a) **Key Points:**

Cripple from birth – listened to Paul speaking  
Saw he had faith – stand upright on your feet  
Walked – crowd thought gods had come in likeness of men  
Barnabas – Zeus, Paul – Hermes (speaker)  
Priest of Zeus wanted to offer sacrifices  
Paul and Barnabas tore garments saying "Why are you doing this? We are men like yourselves but who bring good news"  
Turn from vain things to a living God who is creator  
Allowed men to walk own ways but did not leave himself without witness  
Gives rain and food, and fills hearts with joy  
Scarcely restrained them but Jews came from Antioch and Iconium and persuaded the people  
Stoned Paul left for dead. But re-entered city and left next day

**Notes:**

Level 4 answers require some of content from speech.

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(b) **Examples:**

Sold his property for the common good  
Introduced Paul to apostles and convinced them of his sincerity  
Represented apostles at Antioch where Gentiles converted and brought in Paul to help him  
Travelled with Paul to Gentile churches on missionary journey  
Spoke up for Gentiles at Council  
Barnabas supports Mark wanting to give him a second chance and so parts from Paul

**Notes:**

For level 4 needs to make clear how it is an encouragement.

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9 Acts 16:22-34

(a) **Key Points:**

Violent earthquake/prison doors flung open  
 Prisoners chains came lose  
 Jailor awoke and saw/went to kill himself thinking prisoners escaped  
 Paul stops him telling him no-one escaped  
 Fell at feet of Paul and Silas/What must I do to be saved?  
 Believe in the Lord – you and your household  
 Washed their wounds and was baptised with all his family  
 Took them home for meal

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(b) **Examples:**

Keeping Sabbath (though no synagogue)  
 Speak to people/Gentile mission  
 Baptising  
 Stayed with local person  
 Opposition from Jews  
 Encourage believers then moved on  
 Appointed elders in local churches before moving on

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10 Various verses from Acts (see below)

(a) **Key Points:**

Elders: took over idea from synagogue – system of government Acts 11:30, 15:2,4,6,23  
 Extended to Gentile churches Acts 14:23  
 Acts 20:17 presbyter, mature in spiritual things, respected by congregation and appointed leaders  
 Preached/broke bread/care of souls  
Deacons: background to word/servant/wait on tables  
 Link with Acts 6:1-6, concerned with finances

**Notes:**

Lower level 3 if only one group is discussed. Expect more on elders.  
 It is not expected that candidates would cover everything in mark scheme before gaining a level 4.

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(b) **Examples:**

Divine calling and commission (9)  
 Commissioned by Early Church (13:1f)  
 Power to do signs and wonders (14:3; 19:11-12)  
 Authority accepted by Jerusalem Council  
 Authority in preaching (17:32)

**Notes:**

If no link to incidents – maximum level 3.

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