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Religious Studies

Paper 6

An Introduction to
Christian Ethics

MV18

[GRE61]

THURSDAY 24 MAY, AFTERNOON

Time

1 hour 30 minutes, plus your additional time allowance.

Instructions to Candidates

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

Do not write on blank pages.

Complete in black ink only.

Answer **all** the questions in **Section A** and **two** from **three** questions in **Section B** in the spaces provided in this booklet.

Information for Candidates

The total mark for this paper is 100.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **Section B** questions **5(c)**, **6(c)** and **7(c)**, where **two** questions only are required to be completed.

Figures in brackets printed at the end of each question indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

Section A

Answer **all** questions.

1 Abortion

(a) (i) What is abortion? [1 mark]

(ii) Give **two** arguments Christians may have against abortion. [1 mark for each]

1. _____

2. _____

(iii) Give **two** problems that may be caused by an unplanned pregnancy. [1 mark for each]

1. _____

2. _____

(b) Explain some of the alternatives to abortion. [5 marks]

(c) “Churches need to accept that it is every woman’s right to have a safe and legal abortion.”

Do you agree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer. [5 marks]

2 Crime and Punishment

(a) (i) What is capital punishment? [1 mark]

(ii) Give **one** argument Christians may have against capital punishment. [1 mark]

(iii) Give **one** argument in favour of capital punishment. [1 mark]

(iv) Name **two** of the aims of punishment. [1 mark for each]

(b) Do you think Christians should support schemes for restorative justice?

Give reasons for your answer. [5 marks]

(c) “Longer prison sentences would make society safer for everyone.”

Do you agree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer. [5 marks]

3 Family Issues



(a) Describe **three** different types of family. [5 marks]

4 Developments in Bioethics

(a) Describe how the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority (HFEA) sets guidelines for bioethics.

[5 marks]

(b) Do you think IVF treatment should be freely available to everyone?

Give reasons for your answer. [5 marks]

(c) “All Christians should oppose human surrogacy.”

Do you agree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer. [5 marks]

Section B

You must answer **two** questions from this section.

5 Modern Warfare

- (a) Describe some of the causes of war and conflict.
[5 marks]

Use the lines below if required.

(b) Explain Bible teaching about war. [5 marks]

Use the lines below if required.

(c) "War can never be justified."

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer showing that you have considered different points of view. You should refer to Christian teaching in your answer. [10 marks]

6 Contemporary Issues in Christianity

(a) Describe what the Bible teaches about prejudice and discrimination. [5 marks]

Use the lines below if required.

(b) Explain why some people are prejudiced towards others. [5 marks]

Use the lines below if required.

7 Euthanasia

- (a) Outline some of the different types of euthanasia.
[5 marks]

Use the lines below if required.

(c) “If more money was spent on hospices, there would be no need to legalise euthanasia.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer showing that you have considered different points of view. You should refer to Christian teaching in your answer. [10 marks]

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