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Religious Studies

Paper 6

An Introduction to
Christian Ethics



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MONDAY 15 MAY, MORNING

TIME

1 hour 30 minutes.

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 outside the boxed area on each page or on blank pages.

Complete in black ink only. **Do not write with a gel pen.**

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 down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.



Section A

Answer **all** questions.

1 Personal and family issues

(a) (i) Suggest **one** way members of a family can support each other.

_____ [1]

(ii) Give **one** reason why a family might experience conflict.

_____ [1]

(iii) List **two** reasons why a person may choose to remain celibate.

1. _____ [1]

2. _____ [1]

(iv) What is cohabitation?

_____ [1]



2 Euthanasia

(a) (i) What is meant by the following terms?

1. Active euthanasia

_____ [1]

2. Passive euthanasia

_____ [1]

3. Voluntary euthanasia

_____ [1]

(ii) Give **two** reasons why some people are against euthanasia.

1. _____ [1]

2. _____ [1]

(b) Do you think belief in God helps a person cope with a serious illness?

Give reasons for your answer.

_____ [5]



Section B

Answer **two** questions from this section.

5 Modern warfare

- (a) Describe the human cost of war. [5]
- (b) Explain why some Christians choose to be pacifists. [5]
- (c) “It is better for countries to have nuclear weapons than not to have them.”

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

6 Crime and punishment

- (a) Outline some of the main aims of punishment. [5]
- (b) Explain how biblical teaching on repentance and forgiveness influences Christians. [5]
- (c) “Capital punishment is the most effective approach for dealing with dangerous criminals.”

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

7 Marriage and divorce

- (a) Describe Christian teaching on marriage. [5]
- (b) Explain why some marriages end in divorce. [5]
- (c) “Christian views on sexual relationships are outdated.”

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





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