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Paper 2 The Development of Christianity

For examination from 2023

SPECIMEN PAPER

1 hour 30 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:
 - Section A: answer **one** question.
 - Section B: answer **one** question.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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Section A

Answer **EITHER** Question 1 **OR** Question 2.

EITHER

- 1 (a) Describe Peter's healing of the crippled man at the Beautiful Gate. [5]
- (b) Explain how the healing of the crippled man caused problems for the Jewish leaders when they questioned Peter and John. [10]
- (c) 'The healing ministry of the apostles played the biggest part in the growth of the early Jerusalem Church.' Discuss this claim. [10]

[Total: 25]

OR

- 2 (a) Outline what might be known about the slave Onesimus. [5]
- (b) Explain the guidance given to slaves in the Book of 1 Peter. [10]
- (c) 'It is not clear what Paul thought about slavery.' Discuss this claim. [10]

[Total: 25]

Section B

Answer **EITHER** Question 3 **OR** Question 4.

EITHER

- 3 (a) Examine the threat to unity in the Church at Corinth. [10]
- (b) 'Lack of unity was the biggest threat to the existence of Christianity.' Evaluate this claim. [15]

[Total: 25]

OR

- 4 (a) Examine the riot of the silversmiths at Ephesus, including its economic causes. [10]
- (b) 'The threat to people's income was the main reason for hostility to Christianity in the first century.' Evaluate this claim. [15]

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