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QUESTION 1

1. (a) (i) What was message from the voice that cried in the wilderness? [4]

- Repent for the kingdom of God is at hand
- Prepare the way for the Lord
- Make straight in the desert a highway for our God
- Every valley shall be raised up,
- Every mountain and hill shall become level
- Glory of God shall be revealed, and all people will see it together, the mouth of God has spoken

Any four well -made points

(ii) How did the people respond to the message of the voice? [2]

- They confessed their sins
- They were baptised as a sign that they had turned away from their sins

(b) (i) Who prophesied that there will be a voice was crying in the wilderness? [1]

- The Prophet Isaiah

(ii) What advice did the person whose voice cried in the wilderness give to the groups who asked him what they should do? [4]

- Multitude: He who has two coats let him share with him who has none and let him who has food do likewise
- Soldiers: Rob no one by false accusation and be content with your wages
- Tax collectors: Collect no more than is appointed you

(c) How does the message of the one whose voice was crying in the wilderness apply to the people of the 21st Century? Give reasons for your answer and show you have thought about different points of view. [4]

- Unconfessed sins in their lives can hinder them from seeing the Lord.
- They need to repent of their sins and turn away from them
- in order to receive forgiveness of sins.

QUESTION 2

2. (a) (i) What do Christians use the Bible for? [4]

- Christians use the Bible for teaching about the will and commands of God
- Rebuking, correction,
- Training in righteousness
- Handling different life situations
- For instruction
- Strength
- Meditation
- Admonition

(ii) Name any one type of literature found in the Bible. [1]

History /Epistles/ Gospels/Prophets

(b) (i) Explain why Christians believe the Bible is a book inspired by God? [4]

- The bible claims to be a revelation of God
- The authority of the Bible does not depend on our ability to understand it
- Divine truth cannot be compressed into the life span of any human being
- The authority of the bible is unchanging as the source of moral conduct

(ii) What are the two main ways by which all scriptures were given by God? [2]

- Direct revelation (by which the actual word of God are recorded by the prophets) e.g God spoke to Moses, the Lord came to Isaiah, God spoke to Samuel, Elijah and Jeremiah.
- By inspiration (by which the Holy Spirit guided the prophets as they wrote and thus the prophets wrote the divine truth)

(c) Do you think Christians today should just focus only on the New Testament and not the Old Testament? Give reasons for your answer and show you have thought about different points of view. [4]

NO: The Bible is just one book and the unifying theme is Christ
The O.T prepares for the N.T both in type or prophecy
Every scripture including the O.T is profitable for teaching and able to make Christians wise into salvation
Christians are to be mindful of the words which were spoken previously by the Holy prophets

YES: they do not need the O.T because it is a dead ministry
Jesus erased the O.T and nailed it on the cross
Today God speaks through his son therefore the O.T is for people in the time past
The mediator of the New Testament Christ has made the O.T obsolete
Credit any well- argued point

Question 3

3. (a) (i) Describe how the serpent convinced Eve to fall into sin. [4]

- The serpent made Eve to doubt by saying did God say you shall not eat any tree of the garden
- Eve said that we may eat of the fruit of the tree of the garden but not the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden / nor touch it /lest we die
The serpent said you will not die
- God knows that when you eat it 'your eyes will be opened
- You will be like Him /knowing good and evil

(ii) What did the Adam and Eve lose by sinning? [2]

They lost their innocence. They became sin and shame conscious

(b) (i) Explain why it is important for people to always avoid committing sin? [4]

- It is important because sin separates one from God
- Sin brings suffering
- Sin leads to guilt and shame
- Sin leads to death

(ii) What did Adam and Eve do after sinning? [1]

- They tried to cover their guilt and nakedness by some form of human effort fig leaves.

(c) With reference to the story of the fall of man do you think that bad company can make a believer to fall into sin? [4]

Yes: bad company can bring bad influence just like the serpent was a bad influence to Eve

NO: it depends on one's character and backbone
It is a matter of choice

QUESTION 4

4. (a) (i) Describe four types of widows referred to in the Bible 1 Timothy 5:1-8. [4]

- The widows indeed: really in need who do not have family members to care for them
- Widows with children and grand children
- Widows who should re marry
- Widows who live for pleasure rather than for God

(ii) Why is it important for Christians to take care of their relatives especially their own families? [1]

- It is important for Christians to take care of their relatives because if they do not it means they have disowned their faith and are worse than an unbeliever

(b) (i) Give one reason why human life should not be destroyed. [1]

Because life is sacred/ human life was created by God for a purpose

(ii) Explain two reasons why Christians should help fight poverty. [4]

- Human beings are supposed to be productive
- Christians are obligated to love their neighbours as themselves
- God himself is love and have mercy on the needy
- The salvation of Christians depends on helping the poor and fighting poverty.
- They are saved by faith but faith without works is dead

(c) Do you think that it is the responsibility of the church to support every widow? Give reasons for your answer and show you have thought about different points of view. [4]

No: it is not because this would be contrary to the teaching of the Bible about those widows who are living for pleasure.

The church must not take on responsibilities that God has assigned for families.

Yes: The church should not turn its back on truly needy, especially on elderly widows. God cares for everyone, especially the widows who trust in Him.