CHRISTIAN SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION (CSSC) NORTHERN ZONE JOINT EXAMINATIONS SYNDICATE (NZ-JES)



FORM SIX PRE-NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS 2025 DIVINITY 1 MARKING SCHEME

SECTION A(60 Marks) Short answer questions

- 1. Elijah proved that the Lord he served was a Lord who answers by fire
 - (a) Describe the story of his contention with the prophets of Baal at Mt. Carmel in 1kings chapter 18. (04 marks)
 - Elijah was the prophet of Israel during the reign of Ahab.
 - Ahab's wife Jezebel had great influence to her husband.
 - She made him to worship Baal by importing the priests of Baal to Samaria and built their altars.
 - Elijah was accused of troubling Israel and her people by the king.
 - But Elijah wanted to prove the king wrong that it's him who have troubled Israel by allowing apostasy.
 - He wanted him to call all the people and the prophets of Baal at mount Carmel to prove who is the true God by offering sacrifice.
 - He gave condition that the God who will answer by fire will be the true God of Israel.
 - The God of Elijah proved to be the true God by answering with fire but the Baal could not respond in the presence of 450 prophets.
 - They were all put to the sword by Elijah.
 - (b) What do we learn as Christians from this story? (06 marks)
 - The Lord always answers the prayers of the righteous.
 - If you save God with truth, He will never ashamed you.
 - True faith will always triumph over untrue faith.

Any other relevant points

- 2. Amos was called to a prophet in Israel for the special purposes.
 - (a) What are the political and social situations of Israel during the call of Amos? (04marks)
 - There was injustice in trade e.g., false measurements.
 - Exploitation of the poor by the rich class.
 - The ruling class lived extravagantly at the expense of the poor citizens e.g., they drunk wine from their golden cups
 - There was land alienation. The rich took the fertile land of the poor by force.

Any other relevant points

- (b) Suppose prophet Amos comes into our country today, what social evils could he condemn? (06 marks)
 - The growing gap between the rich and the poor.
 - Exploitation of the poor by high prices of social services which the poor cannot afford.
 - The increasing government charges to the citizens i.e high government taxation.
 - Homosexuality and other sexual promiscuity
 - Corruption and greed of political leaders.

Any other relevant points

- 3. Jeremiah was from a priestly family; however, he had been against some aspects of worship life.
 - (a) Give two examples (04 marks)
 - Jeremiah in 7:5-8 was against the hypocrisy of the Israelites who pretended to serve God but at the same time they burnt incense to the Baals.
 - He was against the people who perverted justice but pretended to be faithful to God. Jer.7:9
 - Jeremiah was after obedience and faithfulness to God's law rather than the burnt offering of the people. Jer. 7:21

Any other relevant examples

- (b) Suppose Jeremiah will come to our church today what criticism would he have concerned our worship (06 marks)
 - He would criticize the fact that the services offered by church have been transformed into business. People pay for them e.g., sacraments.
 - Many people have come up with their ministries pretending to solve people's problems but, in their minds, they want to make money, e.g anointed water and oil.
 - Church services have turned to be social gatherings rather than spiritual gatherings. **Any relevant points**
- 4. The office of prophecy was given a very important role in Israel.
 - (a) Evaluate the role of prophets religiously and politically (04 marks)

Religious roles

- Interpretation of the word of God
- They denounced all form of inequities

Political roles

- They were against all forms of injustice
- They delivered God's message to political leaders

Any other relevant points in each case

- (b) What do you think will be the roles of prophets in the modern church? (06 marks)
 - To proclaim justice to all people.
 - To warn the church about impending dangers of inequities
 - To deliver God's message to the people

Any other relevant points

- 5. Peace and security are very important everywhere thou it needs struggle with strong and quality leaders as Gideon whom the land rested for forty years in his time.
 - a) Student will give two signs used by Gideon
 - i. He prepared a sacrifice for the angel
 - ii. He played with a fleece asked to be dew on the ground and dry all land.

Any relevant points

- b) Student will explain three roles which should be played with current leader (06 marks)
- i. They should be deliverers in the time of hardship
- ii. They are required to be mediators
- iii. They are required to be advisors and counselors by solving their cases
- iv. They should be civil leaders by settling their disputes and maintaining peace

 Any relevant points
- 6. The demand of the king by the Israelites can be taken as the earliest growth of democracy in the history of mankind. But the outcomes were not to their expectations.
 - (a) How did human kingship disappoint the Israelites? (04 marks)
 - The kings introduced high tax charges to them.
 - They made their sons soldiers to protect themselves and their territory
 - They took their daughters to maids in their palaces.
 - They lived a luxurious and extravagant life style at the expense of the people.
 - (b) Show briefly how modern politicians have been the cause of the people's suffering. (06 marks)
 - They have involved themselves with corruption.
 - Greed
 - Injustice for personal interest
 - Nepotism
 - Poor decision making
 - Most of them want to live luxuriously at the expense of their poor citizens.

SECTION B (40 Marks) Essay Questions. Answer only two (2) questions in this part

7. a) Any relevant introduction 02 marks

- Drawing the map of Jerusalem on a brick and declare siege against it. This was to symbolize how God would destroy the city of Israel for their sinfulness.
- The prophet was to lie down with his left-hand side for 390 days and also 40 days on his right-hand side. This symbolized 390 days of exile of Israeli's punishment for their sins. And 40 days of Judah's punishment.
- The prophet to set his face towards Jerusalem with his bare hands and prophesy siege against the city the to tie him with cords so that he may not turn aside. This was accomplishments of the number of days of Jerusalem siege.

Each symbolic act with explanation 03marks

- b) The message of Ezekiel is very significant in our lives today by observing the following;
- He gives us courage to condemn evils in our society.
- It makes us to have self-evaluation and make spiritual transformation
- He teaches us that there is always hope of restoration no matter how much we have sinned.
- He teaches us that God's love has no limits no matter of our spiritual conditions. He loves us the way we are.

Any relevant point 02 marks

Any relevant conclusion 01 mark

8. "And Barak said unto her, if you will go with me then I will go, but if you will not go with me, then I will not go. And she said I will surely go with you.....and Deborah arose and went with Barak" Judges 4:8-9.

Any relevant Introduction 02 marks

a) Student are supposed to explain the strengths of Deborah

@ Point 02 marks

- She was a strong woman who did not feared her enemies. She led Israel to wage war against king Jabin and defeated him.
- She had good cooperation with other leaders e.g., when Barack wanted her to go with him, she accepted
- She leadership skills which enabled her to solve disputes among her people in the patriarch community e.g., she used to sit under the palm of Deborah to solve cases.
- She had confidence and believed in herself. She believed that they were going to win against Jabin.
- She was righteous before God.

Any other relevant points

b) Student will give four contributions of women in leadership.

@ Point 02 marks

- They have contributed in leadership at family level by being managers of their families.
- They are advisors and counselors
- They have played big roles in politics of our nation and have held top positions.
- Most women are faithful and trustworthy leaders.
- They have played a big role in encouraging others by showing motherly love and care.

Any other relevant points

Any relevant conclusion 02 marks

9. Haggai 1:1-6, reminds us of the problems we might face in life for failure to build the house of the Lord.

Relevant introduction 02 marks

- (a) Identify four problems as mentioned by Haggai in chapter1:2-6, the Israelites faced for their failure to build the house of the Lord. (10 marks)
 - They had poor harvests which was not enough to support them.
 - They had no enough food to satisfy their hunger.
 - They had shortage of drinks
 - They lacked clothing to protect themselves.
 - Their wages could not meet their needs.

@ Point 02 marks

(b) What does 'Building the house of the Lord' mean in today's church? Give five points. (10 marks)

@ Point 02 marks

- It means serving God with faithfulness
- It means giving God first priority
- It means giving to the poor.
- Care for the sick
- Making spiritual amendment
- Paying tithe

Any other relevant points
Any relevant conclusion 02 marks