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



FORM FOUR PRE - NATIONAL EXAMINATION AUG 2025

BIBLE KNOWLEDGE MARKING SCHEME

SECTION A (25 marks)

1. 20 marks. 1 mark each

i	ii	iii	iv	V	vi	vii	viii	ix	X
С	В	C	D	A	В	C	В	C	C

xi	xii	xiii	xiv	XV	xvi	xvii	xviii	xix	XX
D	С	В	В	D	В	A	В	С	D

1. 5 marks. 1 mark each

i	ii	iii	iv	v
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SECTION B45 marks. 9 marks each question

3. Apostasy in the Time of Judges

(a) How was apostasy the major problem in the time of Judges?3 marks

- i. The Israelites repeatedly turned away from God and worshipped idols (idolatry).
- ii. They abandoned God's commandments and followed pagan gods, which angered God.
- iii. This led to moral decay, social disorder, and vulnerability to enemies.

(b) Lessons current Christians can learn from apostasy:3 marks

- i. Constant faithfulness to God is necessary to avoid spiritual downfall.
- ii. Turning away from God leads to personal and communal suffering.
- iii. Repentance and returning to God bring restoration and blessings.

(c) How Jephthah liberated Israel from Ammonites (Judges 11:29-40):3 marks

- i. Jephthah prayed for God's guidance before battle.
- ii. He led Israel's army against the Ammonites and defeated them with God's help.
- iii. His victory secured peace for Israel, but he made a tragic vow resulting in his daughter's sacrifice.

4. The Gibeonites' Deception (Joshua 9)

(a) Two reasons given by the Gibeonites for their deception: 3 marks

- i. They claimed they were from a distant land to avoid being destroyed.
- ii. They feared the Israelites' power and sought protection by making a treaty.

(b) How the deception was done:3 marks

- i. The Gibeonites disguised themselves by wearing old clothes and carrying old food.
- ii. They pretended to be travellers from far away, not neighbours

(c) Consequence of the deception to the Gibeonites:3 marks

- i. They were cursed to be servants woodcutters and water carriers for the Israelite community.
- ii. Their lives were spared but they lost their freedom.

5. Jesus Acknowledging People's Faith (Matthew)

(a) Three occasions Jesus acknowledged faith:3 marks

- i. The healing of the Centurion's servant (Matthew 8:10).
- ii. Healing the woman with the bleeding disorder (Matthew 9:22).
- iii. Raising Jairus' daughter (Matthew 9:24).

(b) How true faith helps today's believers:3 marks

- i. Faith brings spiritual and physical healing.
- ii. It strengthens believers during trials.
- iii. Faith fosters hope and trust in God's promises.

(c) Three obstacles in nurturing faith (parable of the Sower):3 marks

- i. **The path:** People hear but do not understand the word (evil grabs it).
- ii. **Rocky ground:** Faith is shallow and falls away under trouble.
- iii. Thorns: Worries and wealth choke faith.

6. Sodom and Gomorrah

(a) God's reaction to their lifestyle:3 marks

- i. God was angered by their wickedness, especially sexual immorality.
- ii. He destroyed the cities with fire and brimstone as judgment.

(b) How modern world relates to Sodom and Gomorrah:3 marks

- i. Rise in immorality and disregard for God's laws.
- ii. Increasing acceptance of lifestyles contrary to biblical teaching.
- iii. Moral decay leading to social problems.

(c) How to avoid their life:3 marks

- Live according to God's commandments.
- Practice repentance and humility.
- Promote justice and care for others.

7. The Centurion's Faith (Matthew 8:8, Luke 7:7)

(a) Event: 3 marks

• A Roman centurion asked Jesus to heal his servant, expressing faith that Jesus could heal by just speaking a word.

(b) Jesus' response:3 marks

• Jesus marvelled at his faith and healed the servant from a distance.

(c) Lessons for leaders:3 marks

- 1. Humility recognizing one's limitations.
- 2. Faith trusting others' abilities and God's power.
- 3. Servanthood care for those under their authority.

8. Community of Believers (Acts 4:32-5:11)

(a) Importance of sharing goods:3 marks

- i. Ensures no one suffers need.
- ii. Builds unity and love among believers.
- iii. Demonstrates God's provision.

(b) Advantages of communal life:3 marks

- i. Strengthens fellowship.
- ii. Promotes equality and support.
- iii. Encourages generosity.

(c) Disadvantages of communal life:3 marks

- i. Potential for jealousy or conflict.
- ii. Risk of misuse or misunderstanding of possessions.
- iii. Loss of personal freedom over property.

9. The Fall of Man (Genesis 3)

(a) How sin entered the world:3 marks

- i. Eve was tempted by the serpent.
- ii. Eve ate the forbidden fruit and gave it to Adam.
- iii. Disobedience against God's command.

(b) Punishments given to man:3 marks

- i. Pain in childbirth for woman.
- ii. Toil and hard Labor for food.
- iii. Expulsion from Eden.

(c) Consequences of sin:3 marks

- i. Spiritual separation from God.
- ii. Introduction of death and suffering.
- iii. Humanity inherits a sinful nature.

10. Dispute over Inheritance (Luke 12:13-14)

(a) Story summary: 3 marks

- i. A man asks Jesus to mediate an inheritance dispute with his brother.
- ii. Jesus refuses to be a judge over worldly matters and warns about greed.

(b) Meaning to Christians today:3 marks

- i. Avoid greed and quarrels over material possessions.
- ii. Focus on spiritual matters over earthly wealth.
- iii. Trust God to provide and judge fairly.

(c) Lessons from the statement:3 marks

- i. Jesus prioritizes spiritual wisdom.
- ii. Earthly possessions should not divide families.
- ii. True life is found in God, not possessions.

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SECTION C 30 marks. 15 marks each

Introduction: 1.5 marks Main body: 12 marks Conclusion: 1.5 marks

11. Luke as the Gospel of Women

- i. Luke highlights women's roles more than other gospels.
- ii. Women receive healing and forgiveness (e.g., Mary Magdalene).
- iii. Stories like the widow at Nain show Jesus' compassion.
- iv. Women are present at Jesus' birth, ministry, and resurrection.

12. Lessons from Moses' Leadership

- i. Humility before God is essential for leaders.
- ii. Courage to stand for justice and God's commands.
- iii. Intercession and care for the people.
- iv. Patience in facing opposition and hardship.

13. Coming of the Holy Spirit as Turning Point

- i. Empowered apostles for bold preaching.
- ii. Unified the early church community.
- iii. Gave spiritual gifts for ministry.
- iv. Enabled miraculous signs and wonders.