**RELIGIOUS STUDIES 2024**

**P4 ANSWERS**

**1. Four main attributes of God**

**- Omnipotence** God is all-powerful and can do anything.

**- Omniscien**ce: God is all-knowing and understands everything.

**- Omnipresence:is p**resent everywhere at all times.

**- Benevolence**: God is good, kind, and loving toward all creation.

***2. \*\*Two ways you can protect and care for God’s creations\*\*:***

- Practice environmental stewardship, such as recycling and conserving resources.

- Show kindness and compassion towards animals and all living beings.

***3. \*\*Why did God send Jesus to us?***

- God sent Jesus to redeem humanity from sin and to offer salvation to all people.

***4. \*\*Two promises God made to Abraham\*\*:***

- God promised Abraham a great nation of descendants.

- God promised him the land of Canaan as an inheritance for his descendants.

***5. \*\*Two types of covenant\*\*:***

**- Unilateral covenant**: A one-sided promise from God, such as the covenant with Noah.

**- Bilateral covenant**: A mutual agreement between God and humans, such as the covenant with Moses.

***6. Two signs of covenant between God and Abraham***

- Circumcision was established as the sign of the covenant with Abraham.

- The changing of Abram's name to Abraham was also a sign of the covenant.

***7. Role of Moses in the salvation of human beings:***

- Moses was the mediator of the Old Covenant and received the Law from God to guide the people.

- He led the Israelites out of Egypt and established a foundation for the covenant relationship with God.

***8. \*\*The land God promised to the Israelites\*\*:***

- God promised them the land of Canaan.

***9. \*\*To whom did God hand the Ten Commandments\*\*:***

- God handed the Ten Commandments to Moses on Mount Sinai.

***10. \*\*Two patriarchs of the Old Testament\*\*:***

- Abraham and Isaac.

***11. \*\*The sign of covenant between God and Noah\*\*:***

**- The rainbow** is the sign of the covenant between God and Noah.

***12. \*\*Matching words with their meanings\*\*:***

- \*\*Calling\*\*: A vocation/a task God gives us to do.

**- \*\*Patriarch\*\*:** Male leader of the family.

**- \*\*Covenant\*\*:** A promise made by God.

**- \*\*Talent\*\*:** A skill

***13.Discuss why Did God give the commandments to his people***

- To guide them in living a life that is pleasing to Him and to establish a moral and ethical foundation for society.

1***4. \*\*The founder of Christianity is called\*\****:

- Jesus Christ.

***15. \*\*The two greatest commandments of God\*\*:***

- "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."

- "Love your neighbor as yourself."

***16. \*\*Two consequences of breaking God's commandments\*\*:***

- Estrangement from God and spiritual consequences, such as guilt and sin.

- Social consequences, such as broken relationships and discord.

***17. \*\*Two lessons Christians learn from the incident when Abraham was willing to sacrifice his only son.***

- Trusting in God's plan, even in difficult circumstances.

- God's provision and faithfulness, as God provided a ram in place of Isaac.

***18. \*\*The wife of Abraham and his son.***- His wife was Sarah, and his son was Isaac.

***19. \*\*Why Mount Sinai is important to Christianity\*\*:***

- It is where God gave Moses the Ten Commandments, which form the foundation of Christian morality.

***20. \*\*Two commandments that teach us to obey and love God\*\*:***

- "You shall have no other gods before Me."

- "You shall not make for yourself an idol."

***21. \*\*Two angels that appear in both Islamic and Christian literature\*\*:***

- Gabriel (Jibril) and Michael (Mikail).

***22. \*\*Three pillars of Islamic faith\*\*:***

- \*\*Shahada\*\*: Declaration of faith.

- \*\*2Salah\*\*: Prayer.

- \*\*Zakat\*\*: Almsgiving.

***23. \*\*Two common beliefs in Christianity and Islam\*\*:***

- Belief in one God.

- Belief in prophets and divine revelation.

***24. \*\*Definitions\*\*:***

- **\*\*Shirk\*\*: I**n Islam, shirk is the sin of idolatry or associating others with God.

- **\*\*Tawheed**\*\*: In Islam, tawheed is the belief in the oneness and uniqueness of God.

***25. \*\*Two attributes of God according to Islamic faith\*\*:***

- **\*\*Merciful\*\***: God is compassionate and shows mercy.

- \***\*Just\*\*:** God is fair and equitable in judgment.

***26. \*\*The founder of the Islamic faith is***\*\* Prophet Muhammad.

***27. \*\*The holy place for Muslims is called***\*\* the Kaaba in Mecca.

***28. \*\*Two reasons why God created angels:\*\****

- To serve as messengers between God and humanity.

- To carry out God's commands and maintain the order of the universe.

***29. \*\*Human beings are unique from other creation*s**:

- They possess free will, allowing them to make moral choices.

- They have a higher level of intellect and reasoning capabilities.

***30. \*\*The angel who appeared to Muhammad at Hira cave was\****\* Angel Gabriel.

***31. \*\*Two attitudes a Muslim should follow to avoid punishment from Allah:***

- Following the teachings of the Qur'an and the Hadiths.

- Leading a life of piety, honesty, and humility.

***32. \*\*The fasting period of Muslims is calle*d**\*\* Ramadan.

***33. \*\*Two importance of fasting the month of Ramadan:\*\****

- It is a time for spiritual reflection and self-discipline.

- It teaches empathy and compassion for the less fortunate.

**34. \*\*Two people who are exempted from fasting during Ramadan:\*\***

- Pregnant or nursing women.

- Those who are ill or have a medical condition.

***35. \*\*Muslims face towards\*\* the Kaaba in Mecca when praying***

36. \*\*The worshiping place of Muslims is called\*\* a mosque.

***37. \*\*The term Hadiths means\*\**** the sayings, actions, and approvals of the Prophet Muhammad.

***38. \*\*Important reasons for the Hadiths:\*\****

- They provide guidance on how to live a life consistent with Islamic teachings.

- They offer context and explanations for the teachings in the Qur'an.

***39. \*\*Two main sources of laws to Muslims:\*\****

- The Qur'an (holy book of Islam).

- The Hadiths (sayings and actions of the Prophet Muhammad).

***40. \*\*One effect of lying in society:***

- It can erode trust between individuals and disrupt relationships.

***41. \*\*Characteristics of politeness and obedience between people***

- Showing respect and consideration for others.

- Following community norms and respecting authority figures.

***42. Three duties towards your relatives and neighbors:***

- Show respect and kindness.

- Offer help and support when needed.

- Maintain good communication and avoid harm.

***43. \*\*The Israelites were important to God because***\*\* they were chosen to be His people and to carry His message.

**44. \*\*Noah built an ark to\***\* save himself, his family, and two of every kind of animal from the great flood.

***45. \*\*Two examples of false idols:\*\****

- Worship of physical statues or images as deities.

- Placing too much value on money or material possessions.

***46. Qualities of Mary as a mother:***

- She was obedient and faithful to God's will.

- She was nurturing and protective of her son, Jesus.

***47. Mary's role in the salvation of mankind:***

- She gave birth to Jesus, who Christians believe is the savior of humanity.

***48. The term annunciation means:*** the announcement by the angel Gabriel to Mary that she would give birth to Jesus.

***49. God blessed Mary because:*** she was chosen to be the mother of Jesus, and she lived a life of faith and purity.

***50. Two forms of untruthfulness:***

- Lying, which is intentionally giving false information.

- Deception, which includes misleading others by leaving out important information.

**P5 ANSWERS**

***1. What is the Bible?***

The Bible is a collection of sacred writings that are central to the religious traditions of Christianity and Judaism.

***2. The Bible is a library. Explain:***

The Bible is often referred to as a library because it contains a variety of books that were written by different authors over a long period of time.

***3. Explain why the Bible is called a sacred book:***

The Bible is considered sacred because it is believed to be divinely inspired and contains God's revelations to humanity. For both Christians and Jews, the Bible provides spiritual guidance, moral teachings, and insight into the relationship between God and humanity. It serves as a foundational text for religious beliefs and practices.

***4. \*\*Define the following biblical terms:***

**a) \*\*Torah\***\*: The Torah, also known as the Pentateuch, refers to the first five books of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy). These books contain the law and teachings given by God to Moses.

b) **\*\*Alliance\*\*: A**lliance, often referred to as a covenant, is a formal agreement or promise between God and humanity, such as the covenant made with Abraham or the Israelites.

**c) \*\*Pentateuch\*\***: The Pentateuch is another name for the first five books of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy), which contain the laws and teachings given to Moses.

**d) \*\*Gospel\***\*: The Gospel refers to the first four books of the New Testament (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John) that describe the life, teachings, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

**e) \*\*Testament\*\*: T**estament refers to a covenant or agreement. The Bible is divided into two main sections: the Old Testament, which contains the writings of ancient Israel, and the New Testament, which focuses on the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and the early Christian church.

***5. \*\*Mention any two of the books of Moses linked to the Old Testament:\*\****

Two of the books of Moses linked to the Old Testament are Genesis and Exodus.

***6. State two major parts of the Bible:***

The two major parts of the Bible are the Old Testament and the New Testament.

***7. \*\*Identify two names of evangelists:\*\****

Two names of evangelists are **Matthew** and **John.**

***8. \*\*Explain the relationship between the Old Testament and the New Testament:\*\****

The Old Testament and the New Testament are connected by a continuous narrative that begins with the creation of the world and humanity's relationship with God. The Old Testament contains the history, law, and prophecies of ancient Israel, while the New Testament focuses on the life, teachings, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, as well as the early Christian church. The New Testament is seen as the fulfillment of the promises and prophecies in the Old Testament, showing how God's plan for humanity unfolds through Jesus Christ.

***9. \*\*How are the commandments important to Christian*** :provide a moral and ethical foundation for Christian life. They guide believers in how to love and worship God and how to treat others with respect and justice. Following the commandments helps Christians live a life that honors God and aligns with His will.

**10. \*\*The sign of the covenant of the old alliance is:**

The sign of the covenant of the old alliance (covenant between God and the people of Israel) is circumcision, which was given as a physical sign of the covenant with Abraham**.**

***11. \*\*How many books are there in the Protestant Bible?\****\*

The Protestant Bible typically contains 66 books: 39 books in the Old Testament and 27 books in the New Testament.

**12. \*\*Two examples of Apocrypha books:\*\***

- \*\*Tobit\*\*

- 1 Maccabees\*\*

***\*\*c) Reason why Apocrypha books are not accepted by the Protestants:\*\****

Protestants generally do not accept the Apocrypha as part of the canonical Bible because they were not part of the Hebrew Bible, and they were not included in the Jewish canon of the Old Testament. Additionally, during the Protestant Reformation, reformers like Martin Luther argued against their inclusion due to doubts about their origin and authenticity.

***13. \*\*Four values we get from the Old Testament:***

**- Faithfulness**: The stories in the Old Testament often emphasize the importance of remaining faithful to God.

- **Justice:M**any laws and narratives in the Old Testament highlight the importance of justice and fairness.

-**Wisdom**: Proverbs and other wisdom literature offer guidance on how to live wisely.

**-Hope**: Prophetic books convey messages of hope and the coming of a better future.

***14. Evidences of the truth of the Bible:***

- ***Historical accuracy:*** Archaeological findings often support the events described in the Bible.

- **\*\*Internal consistency\*\*:** The coherence of the Bible across different books written over centuries.

**- \*\*Manuscript evidenc**e\*\*: The abundance of ancient manuscripts supports the reliability of the Bible.

**- \*\*Changed lives**\*\*: The transformative impact of the Bible on people's lives.

***15. \*\*Importance of being baptized as a true Christian:***

Baptism is an important sacrament in Christianity as it represents the believer's identification with the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus. It is a public declaration of faith and an initiation into the Christian community.

***16. Three biblical prophets:***

- \*\*Isaiah - \*\*Jeremiah - \*\*Ezekiel

***17. Three elements of the Bible:***

- **Law:** Such as the Torah (first five books of the Old Testament).

- **Prophets**: Books like Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel.

- **Writings:** Including Psalms, Proverbs, and other poetic and wisdom literature.

***18. Incarnation:***

Incarnation refers to the Christian belief that God became human in the person of Jesus Christ. This is seen as a key event in Christian theology, as it is believed that God took on human nature to redeem humanity.

***19. \*\*Impacts of sins to the society:***

**-Division**: Sin can cause divisions among people and between individuals and God.

- **Injustice**: Sin can lead to unjust behaviors and systems.

**- Broken relationships**: Sin can cause harm to relationships at various levels.

***20. \*\*Importance of the Bible in Christian life:***

**- Guidance**: The Bible provides moral and spiritual guidance.

**- Comfort**: Many Christians find comfort in the scriptures during difficult times.

-**Connection**: The Bible helps believers connect with God through its teachings.

- **Growth:** It offers teachings that can help Christians grow in faith.

***21. Significance of Pentecost for Christians:***

Pentecost marks the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and other followers of Jesus. It is considered the birthday of the Church, empowering believers to spread the gospel and fulfill the mission of the Church.

***22. Founder of the church:***

The Church is founded upon the teachings of Jesus Christ, who is considered its true founder.

***23. Mission of the Christian church:***

The mission of the Christian church is to spread the message of Jesus Christ, make disciples, serve others, and work towards justice and peace in the world.

***24. Christianity means***

Christianity refers to the religious faith and practices based on the teachings of Jesus Christ.

***25. Two causes of persecution:***

- R**eligious differences**: Conflicts with other religious groups or authorities.

**-Political opposition**: Opposition to a ruling power or political ideologies.

***26. Two effects of persecution:***

**- \*\*Strengthened faith**\*\*: Persecution often leads to a stronger, more resilient faith in believers.

- \***\*Spread of the messa**ge\*\*: Persecution can lead to the wider spread of the Christian message as believers scatter.

***27. Differentiate charity from faith***:

- **\*\*Charity\*\*** involves giving to those in need and showing love through actions.

- \*\***Faith\*\* i**s the belief in something greater than oneself, often centered around religious or spiritual beliefs.

***28. Three kind deeds to be performed by a good Christian:***

**- \*\*Helping those in need\*\***: Providing food, shelter, or other forms of assistance.

**- \*\*Visiting the sick or lonely\***\*: Providing companionship and support.

- **\*\*Praying for other**s\*\*: Supporting others through prayer.

***29. Two characteristics of faith:***

- **Trust**: Having confidence in God and His plans.

**- Obedience**: Following God's commandments and teachings.

***30. Two articles of the Islamic faith:***

- **Belief in Allah as the only God**: Monotheism is central to Islam.

**- Belief in the prophets**: Including Muhammad as the final prophet.

***31. One lesson from the parable of the Good Samaritan:***

The importance of loving and showing compassion to all people, regardless of their background or differences.

***32. Two attitudes Christian families show to neighbors:***

- **Hospitality**: Welcoming neighbors and offering help when needed.

**-Kindness**: Showing love and kindness in words and actions.

***33. Two sacraments in the Catholic Church:***

- Baptism - Eucharist

***34. Two gifts of the Holy Spirit:***

- Wisdom - Understanding

***35. Two impurities in Islam:***

- **Shirk**: Associating partners with God.

**- Najasah**: Physical impurities such as blood, urine, and other unclean substances.

***36. When reading the Hadiths,*** Muslims can learn more about the prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) and the way to interpret the words of Allah in the Qur’an.

***37. Activities that help Muslims aim for paradise:***

**- Observing the Five Pillars of Islam**: Including prayer, fasting, and charity.

**-Living a righteous lif**e: Following the teachings of the Qur'an and Hadith.

***38. a) Ihsan:***  **Ihsan** means doing good and striving for excellence in all aspects of life, including worship and interactions with others.

***b) Importance of ihsan in daily life:***

**Ihsan** encourages Muslims to live with integrity, kindness, and empathy towards others, fostering harmonious relationships and a just society.

***39. Two significance of Ikhlas:***

**- Sincerity in worship:** Ensures that worship and actions are done purely for the sake of God.

**- Purity of intentions:** Keeps motives genuine and aligned with Islamic principles.

***40. Two ways to increase ikhlas:***

**- Self-reflection**: Continually examining one's intentions and purifying them.

-**Seeking knowledge**: Learning about the principles of Islam to strengthen understanding and faith.

***41. Muslims pray five times daily.***

***42. Importance of prayer in daily Muslim life:***

- **Connection with God**: Prayer is a way to maintain a strong relationship with Allah.

**- Guidance**: Prayer provides direction and focus for the day.

- **Spiritual discipline:** Regular prayer fosters a sense of discipline and mindfulness.

***43. Differentiate zakat from sadaka:***

**- \*Zakat**\* is a mandatory form of charity based on a set percentage of wealth.

-\***Sadaka**\* is voluntary charity given out of goodwill.

***44. Two benefits of zakat to Muslims:***

- **\*\*Purification of wealth\*:** Zakat helps cleanse one's wealth and ensures it is used in accordance with Islamic teachings.

Zakat helps provide for the poor and those in need.

***45. \*\*Islam arrived in Rwand***a through traders and missionaries who introduced the faith in the late 19th century.\*\*

***46. Two factors that helped Islam expand in Rwanda***:

**- \*\*Trade routes**Traders brought Islam along established trade routes.

**- \*\*Local acceptance**\*\*: The message of Islam resonated with many local people.

***47. \*\*Halaal and Haraam:***

- **\*\*Halaal**\*\* refers to things that are permissible according to Islamic law.

- **\*\*Haraam**\*\* refers to things that are forbidden according to Islamic law.

***48. Two forbidden foods and drinks in Islam:***

-**Pork\***\*: Forbidden due to being considered impure.

**- Alcohol\***\*: Forbidden because it impairs judgment and can lead to sinful behavior.

***49. Two reasons why some foods and drinks are forbidden:***

**- \*\*Health concerns\*\*:** Certain foods and drinks are prohibited for the well-being of individuals.

**- \*\*Spiritual purity**\*\*: Avoiding certain foods and drinks helps maintain spiritual purity.

***50. One virtue of telling the truth:***

**- Trustworthiness**: Being truthful builds trust in relationships and communities.

***P6 Religious Questions***

***1. \*\*God's Revelation and God's Incarnation\*\****

- **God's Revelation**: This refers to how God reveals Himself and His will to humanity. This can happen through various means such as scripture, nature, or direct communication.

**-God's Incarnation**: In the Christian faith, this refers to God becoming human in the person of Jesus Christ. It is the belief that Jesus was fully God and fully man.

***2. Two Types of God's Revelation***

- **General Revelation:** God reveals Himself through nature and the created world.

**- Special Revelation: God reveals Himself directly through specific means such as the Bible,** visions, or prophecies.

***3. Ways God Revealed Himself***

- **Old Testament** God revealed Himself through prophets, dreams, visions, the law (e.g., the Ten Commandments), and direct communication (e.g., Moses and the burning bush).

**- New Testament**\*: God revealed Himself primarily through Jesus Christ, His life, death, and resurrection, and also through the teachings of the apostles.

***4. How Human Beings Differentiated from Other Creatures***

- Humans are created in the image of God (Imago Dei), which gives them moral reasoning, self-awareness, and the ability to have a relationship with God.

***5. Revelation Where Salvation is Possible***

- Salvation is possible through ***special revelation,*** particularly through the revelation of Jesus Christ and the New Testament teachings in the Christian faith.

***6. Two Miracles During the Passion of Jesus***

- Darkness covered the land during Jesus' crucifixion.

- The temple veil was torn in two from top to bottom, symbolizing the end of the barrier between God and humanity.

***7. Two Attributes of God***

**- Omnipotence**: God is all-powerful.- **Omniscience**: God is all-knowing. -Omnpresence

***8. Three Names Given to God***

- **Yahweh** (Old Testament)

**- Elohim** (Old Testament)

- **Abba** (Father - New Testament)

***9. Importance of Unity at School***

- Promotes a positive learning environment.

- Encourages collaboration and mutual respect among students.

***10. Importance of a Dove***

- Symbol of peace and purity. - In Christianity, it represents the Holy Spirit.

***11. \*\*Importance of Relationship and Friendship***

- Encourages personal growth and mutual support.

-provides emotional support and companionship

***12. \*\*Two Qualities of a Good Friend\****\*

- Trustworthiness - Empathy.

***13. \*\*Types of Sexual Abuses According to the Bible***

- Adultery. - Sexual immorality, which includes actions outside of the marital relationship.

***14. Importance of Working Together***

- Achieves common goals more effectively.

- Encourages cooperation and understanding.

***15. Two Ways of Preventing Sexual Abuse***

- Educating individuals about consent and respect.

- Promoting open communication and reporting channels for abuse.

***16. \*\*Two Benefits of Positive Peer Pressure***

- Encourages good behavior and academic achievement.

- Supports involvement in positive activities like sports and clubs.

***17. Two Characteristics of Healthy Relationships***

- Mutual respect.

- Honest and open communication.

***18. Two Attributes of God According to Islamic Faith***

- **Al-Rahma**n (The Most Merciful).

**- Al-Ghafur** (The Most Forgiving).

***19. \*\*Three Characteristics of the People of Paradise***

- They have strong faith and follow God's commandments.

- They live in peace and joy.

- They are free from suffering and sin.

***20. Two Major Signs Prior to the Last Day According to Islamic Faith***

- The emergence of the Antichrist (Dajjal).

- The return of Jesus (Isa).

***21. Two Reasons to Believe in Life After Death***

- Offers hope and purpose beyond this life.

- Aligns with religious teachings about justice and the afterlife.

***22. Why Allah Created Human Beings***

- To worship and serve Him.

- To be stewards of the earth.

***23. Give two some impurities of Islam***

**- Ritual impurity** (e.g., from menstruation or sexual activity).

**- Physical impurit**y (e.g., contact with certain substances like pork).

***24. Tayammum***

**- a) Tayammum mean**s: Dry ablution using clean earth when water is not available.

**- c) Two items for Tayamm**um: Clean soil or sand.

**- d) Importance of purity in Islam:** Necessary for ritual prayers and closeness to God.

***25. \*\*Reason for Muhammad's Migration from Mecca to Medina***

- To escape persecution and establish a new base for his followers.

***26. \*\*Two Reasons Why Muhammad Married Many Wives***

- To form alliances with different tribes.

- To provide support and care for widows.

***27. \*\*Two Types of Conflict in Islamic Faith\*\****

- Inner conflict (struggle with one's own self or nafs).

- Interpersonal conflict (disagreements people).

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***28. \*\*Two Ways to Solve Conflicts from Islamic Perspective\*\****

- Mediation and seeking mutual understanding.

- Forgiveness and reconciliation.

***29. \*\*Two Impacts of Conflict Resolution to Society\****

- Promotes peace and harmony.

- Strengthens community relationships.

***30. \*\*Consequences of***

**- \*\*a) Homosexuality\*\*:** Viewed differently across cultures and religions; in conservative views, it may be seen as contrary to traditional values.

**- \*\*b) Pornography**\*\*: Can harm relationships and lead to unrealistic expectations.

***31. God is Immutable***

- This means **God does not change**; He is constant in His nature, character, and will.

**32. Two Purposes Why God Created Man**

- To have a relationship with Him.

- To be stewards of His creation and serve Him.