





# Mor Athanasius Jacobite Sunday School

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9. Who spoke supporting St Peter in the Jerusalem Synod  
(a. St Paul,           **b. St James,**           c. Judas)
10. Those who offered are entitled for a portion of his offering in n  
(**a. Peace offering,**           b. Sin offering,           c. Grain offering)

## **II. FILL UP THE BLANKS**

***(10 x 0.5 = 5 marks)***

1. **Lydia** was the first Christian to be baptized in Europe.
2. **Sacrifice** includes only the offerings offered and burned on the altar.
3. It was decided in the Jerusalem Synod that Paul and Barnabas would work among the **Gentiles** and Peter, James and John will work among the **Jews**.
4. **St. Gregory of Nyssa** believed that Christian life is an imitation of Divine character, since man was made in God's image.
5. A Jew named **Apollos** came to Ephesus and preached the good news before St. Paul reached there.
6. His Holiness the Patriarch, Ignatius Zakka I was I elevated H.G Mor Dionysius as the Catholicose of the East with title name **H. B. Aboon Mor Baselius Thomas I**
7. In **Lystra**, the people believed that Paul and Barnabas were gods in human form.
8. **Tabernacle** is the temporary facility to worship the true God made under the leadership of Moses.
9. This second apostolic visit of H. H Zakka I was in connection with the Golden Jubilee celebrations of Koobar Neethe Hakkemo **Abraham Mor Clemis**, the Great Bishop of the East.



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10. Only those who accepted faith and are baptized are eligible to declare Nicene creed and attend Anaphora.

### III. MATCH THE FOLLOWING

(5 × 0.5 = 2.5marks)

- |                        |                     |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Laver - <b>c</b>    | a. Censer           |
| 2. Mzamrono - <b>e</b> | b. Priscilla        |
| 3. Arnase - <b>d</b>   | c. Bronze basin     |
| 4. Thurifer - <b>a</b> | d. Monastery        |
| 5. Aquila - <b>b</b>   | e. Group of Singers |

### IV. STATE TRUE or FALSE

(5 × 0.5 = 2.5marks)

1. In Paphose, Paul rebuked Sergius and made him blind for a short time. **False**
2. When anybody commit a trespass and sin unintentionally in any of the holy things of the Lord, he will do a guilt offering to the Lord. - **True**
3. Paul wrote the first letter to Thessalonians while he was in Corinth - **True**
4. If those who are attending the sanctuary are of the same order they have to stand according to age seniority, elders in the north and youngsters in the south. - **True**
5. The 101 Mass was offered in connection with the centenary celebrations of St. Elias III of Manjanikkara - **False**

### V. SHORT NOTES (3 or 4 sentences)

(5 × 2 = 10 marks)

1. Write about the sacrifices of Old Testament and the sacrifice at Calvary.
  - **Old Testament offerings were made either of the flesh and blood of a oxen, a ram or dove, with flour, olive oil and incense or wine. Some offerings are fully burnt and some are partly burnt and the remaining was given to the**



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priest. These sacrifices brought temporary benefits and are incapable of bringing permanent salvation or forgiveness of sin. **(1mark)**

- All the Old Testament sacrifices were a pointer to the incomparable sacrifice of Jesus at Calvary. Jesus the Lamb of God, without any blemish, offered his own flesh and blood as a sacrifice before God, the Father. Through His sacrifice the human race received permanent salvation and forgiveness of sin. **(1mark)**
2. Where did Saul begin his missionary journey? With whom and how did they start?
- Saul started his missionary journey from Antioch. **(0.5 marks)**
  - Saul started his first missionary journey with Barnabas. **(0.5 marks)**
  - The prophets and teachers, by the inspiration of the Holy spirit, fasted and prayed, placed their hands-on Saul and Barnabas and sent them off for preaching gospel. **(1 mark)**
3. Pen on the first Holy Apostolic visit of H.H. Moran Mor Ignatius Zakka I **(0.5 marks for each point – 4any 4 points)**
- The visit was from 7th February till 24th march 1982.
  - The most important programme of this visit of His Holiness was to participate in the observance of the 50th Memorial Day celebrations of His Holiness Elias III, who is laid to rest at Manjinikara.
  - His Holiness performed the Mooron Sacrament in St. Mary's Church at Manarcadu Kottayam.



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- His Holiness consecrated Fr. A C Abraham as Abraham Mor Severius at St. Thomas Church (Cheriyapally) Kothamangalam.
  - His Holiness presided over the managing committee of the Church, which formed an expert committee to prepare and draft a constitution for the church.
4. What is the declaration by the deacon before the Evangelion? What does it remind us?
- The declaration by the deacon before Evangelion is “Barekmore, with calmness, awe and modesty we must listen and hear the living word of God that is in the holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ that is read to us”  
**(1mark)**
  - This declaration of the deacon reminds us the importance of the ‘Word of God’ which saves us from the fall in evil. This summons is made to save believers from falling into the trap of Satan by forgetting that truth.  
**(1mark)**
5. Who was Demetrius? What was the reason for him and his friends to cause a riot in Ephesus
- Demetrius was the leader of the silversmiths in Ephesus. **(0.5 marks)**
  - In Ephesus there was a great temple of goddess Artemis, Silver models of the goddess were made and were sold at great profit by the silversmiths. Paul had preached that handmade gods are not gods at all and as a result the demand for the idols diminished and this ruined their business. So, Demetrius and his friends caused a riot in the city. **(1.5 marks)**



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## VI. WRITE LONG ANSWERS (answer ANY TWO only(2 x 5 = 10 Marks))

1. Explain the Epistle readings in the Holy Eucharist.

After the Trisagion, before the reading from the Gospel there are two epistle readings.

- After singing “Bhoovilasesham”, the reader descends one step down in the northern part of the sanctuary, facing west, reads the first Epistle reading from either Acts of the Apostles or any one of the epistles written by one of the Apostles except St:Paul. **(1 mark)**
- The reader has to kiss the northern corner of the Altar before reading. Then he begins the reading by saying:” From the Acts of the Holy Apostles (Or from the general epistle of Name) Habibai Barekmore”. The deacon with a lighted candle in his left hand, should stand on the left side of the reader and wave the censor. **(1 mark)**
- After singing the song ‘Paulose Sleeho’the reader reads the 2nd epistle reading from one of the epistles of St.Paul. **(1 mark)**
- Standing one step down in the southern corner of the sanctuary, he reads the reading by saying,” From the Epistle of the blessed apostle Paul to (Name of the epistle) Ahai Barekmore.The deacon with a lighted candle in his left hand, should stand on the right side of the reader and wave the censor. **(1 mark)**
- At the end of the Epistle readings before closing the book, the deacons have to kiss it and should say Barekmore. **(1 mark)**



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2. Describe the vessels in the Most Holy Place & the Holy Place (1 sentence each)

**The vessels in the Most Holy Place are The Ark of the Covenant, the Mercy Seat, the cherubim and the Golden Censer. (0.75 mark for each point)**

- 1. The Ark of the Covenant - In the ark there were three items. They are the two stone tablets on which the commandments were written, a golden pot of manna and Aaron's staff that had budded.**
- 2. The Mercy Seat - was kept on top of the Ark of Covenant. God came down into the Tabernacle at the Most Holy Place and from the Mercy Seat spoke to Moses. The seat where the Merciful Almighty sits, is the Mercy Seat.**
- 3. Cherubim - At the two ends of the mercy seat there were two Cherubim made of pure gold. The cherubim stretched their wings to cover the mercy seat and they faced each other.**
- 4. The Golden Censer - The censer for burning incense was made with pure gold. A portion of the incense made for each day in the Holy place was saved and kept in a golden pot to be used for offering incense once in a year by the High Priest.**

**Equipment in the Holy Place are table for the Bread of the Presence, Golden Lamp stand the Altar of Incense (2marks if all 3 points are there/ 0.75 for 1 point)**

- 1. Table for the Bread of the Presence - It was a table made out of acacia wood and it was covered with pure gold. Dishes, plates, cups, jars and bowls made of pure gold were placed on table. Bread of the Presence should be kept on the table always.**





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2. **Golden Lamp stand** - The lamp stand had a central stem from which three branches extended from each side, forming a total of seven branches. Seven lamps holding olive oil and wicks stood on top of the branches. The priests were instructed to keep the lamps burning continuously. The buds, the branches and the lamp stand were a single piece gold.
  3. **Altar of Incense** - An altar for burning incense was made out of acacia wood. It had horns at the four corners and it was covered with pure gold. This was placed outside the curtain which hanged in front of the Ark of Covenant and only priests were allowed to see it. Every morning and evening incense were offered.
3. Pen on St. Basil of Caesarea. **(Any 5 points – 1mark for each point)**
- **St: Basil**, was the greatest among the Cappadocian fathers, popularly called Second Athanasius.
  - He was born in a rich Christian family in Caesarea in 330. A.D. His father Baselius was very popular in Cappadocia as a great preacher and his mother Emmelia was the daughter of a Christian martyr.
  - Basil earned primary education in native and foreign countries. Thereafter he began his career as a language teacher.
  - Due to lack of interest, he relinquished his job as a teacher and dedicated himself to God.
  - He sold his properties and distributed the amount to the poor and started a monastery at Arnase. He was the founder of the first monastery.
  - He became the Bishop of Caesarea in 372. A.D. His administration gave more importance to protection of true faith and social service.





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- He was very keen in establishing hospitals for the sick, constructing homes for the poor and honoring the foreigners.
  - St Basil was a great writer. He wrote many books on liturgy, church regulations, interpretations and essays.
4. Why Paul and Silas were whipped and imprisoned in Philippi? Describe what happened while they were in the jail.
- **In Philippi, there was a young servant woman who had an evil spirit that enabled her to predict the future. She earned a lot of money for her owners by telling fortunes. Paul sent the evil spirit out of her. When her owners realized that their chance of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them to the authorities. They tore the clothes off Paul and Silas and ordered them to be whipped and imprisoned. (2marks)**
  - **In the prison at about midnight, while Paul and Silas, listened when the other prisoners were praying and singing hymns to God, a violent earthquake shook the prison to its foundations. At once all the doors were opened, and the chains fell off from all prisoners. When the jailer saw the prison door is opened, he thought that the prisoners had escaped; so, he pulled out his sword and was about to kill himself. But Paul shouted at the top of his voice, “Don’t harm yourself! We are all here!”. The jailer was astonished, He rushed in, and fell trembling at the feet of Paul and Silas. He asked, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved.” They answered, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved - you and your family.” The jailer took them to his house and treated them well. The jailer and his family believed in Jesus Christ and they were baptized. In Europe the first Gentile family who was baptized is that of the jailer. Next morning the authorities decided to set them free. (3marks)**