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Class X

FINAL EXAMINATION – ANSWER KEY

JH(OOSE THE CORRECT A	INSWER	$(10 \times 0.5 = 5 \text{ marks})$
1.	Christ is portrayed through 'Sabhaprasangi'		
	(a. nonfigurative,	b. allegorically,	c. similarly)
2.	There are six songs in the form of between a man and a woman who are in deep love.		
	(a. evidence,	b. conversations,	<u>c. dialogues</u>)
3.	St. Paul asserts that Jesus Christ is the High Priest belonging to the Order of Melchizedek in this epistle.		
	(a. Philippians,	b. Hebrews,	c. Thessalonians)
4.	During the time of Roman Emperor, St. John was exiled to Patmo Island in Aegean Sea.		
	(a. Domitian,	b. Nero,	c. Constantine)
5.	The Son of Man will come in the sky with power and glory		
	(a. clear,	<u>b. cloudy</u> , c. br	ight)
6.	When the Israel started worshipping the true God, they gave a spiritual dimension to the word		
	(a. faith,	b. devotion <u>c. ho</u>	<u>lliness</u>)
7.	The church father who had a vision of angels arranged themselves in two groups and worshipping God		
	(a. Mor Severious,	b. Mor Ignatius	Noorono ,c. Mor Eusebius)
8.	If the celebrant is a prelate, the altar servers should hold the while reading the diptychs		
	(a Censer	h Candle	c Crozier)

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- 9. The only person who was not a bishop ,but attended the Second Synod/Council of Ephesus)?
 - (a. Simon the Stylite,

b. Mor Barsaumo

.cMosha bar Kepho)

10. The year in which Y.M.C.A was founded?

(a. 1895,

b.1872,

c. <u>1844</u>)

II. FILL UP THE BLANKS

 $(10 \times 0.5 = 5 \text{ marks})$

- 1. Theologians describe St John 17:21 as the prayer of the <u>High Priest</u> for the universal church.
- 2. There was a custom prevalent among the Jews to sing the Song of Songs on the **8**th **day** of the Passover.
- 3. The writer of the letter "Hebrews" promotes the people to continue to grow in **spiritual** knowledge.
- 4. Greek Bible uses the word **Apocalypse** for the Book of Revelation.
- 5. How was the time of Noah, so will be the coming of the **Son of Man.**
- 6. **<u>King Herod</u>** feared John the Baptist knowing that He was a righteous and Holy man.
- 7. "The <u>angel</u> of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them"
- 8. The usage, <u>broods and rests</u> upon ... and sanctifies" is to elucidate the action of the Holy Spirit during the Holy Eucharist.
- 9. **Antioch** was the third biggest town of the Roman Empire.
- 10. The word **ecumenical** is originated from the Greek word "Oikoumenikos".

III.MATCH THE FOLLOWING

 $(5 \times 0.5 = 2.5 marks)$

1. Thubden - **d**

a. Seraphim (4)

2. Parousia - c

b. Mor Marutha (5)

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3. Israel- e

c. Greek (2)

4. Highest order of Angels - a

d. But again (1)

5. First Maphriyano - **b**

e. Bride of the Lord (3)

IV. STATE TRUE or FALSE

 $(5 \times 0.5 = 2.5 marks)$

- 1. There is direct reference to Christ in Ecclesiastes. False
- 2. St. Paul promises that Jesus Christ offers lot more and much better than whatever they did not lost by not following the Jewish culture. **False**
- 3. In the "Vishuda Grandham" and Greek Bible, the last book is named as "Revelation to John". **True**
- 4. Holiness of the unfaithful are when their thought, words and deeds are according to the God's will. **False**
- 5. In the modern world, the ecumenical movement reflects the endeavor of the Christian Churches for a universal Christian unity and their desire to be witnesses of Jesus to the ends of the earth. **True**

V. SHORT NOTES (3 or 4 sentences)

 $(5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ marks})$

1. Highlight the aim of the book of Revelation (1 mark for each point)

The aim of the book of Revelation is

- Reveal Jesus Christ completely
- Strengthen and bolden the Christians who were severely punished or persecuted because of the faith in Jesus Christ.
- **2.** Letter to Hebrews was written to Jews in Palestine. Give reason. Pen down the main intention or aim of this letter?
 - Due to the persecution, many of the Jews who turned to Christians <u>wished</u> to return to their old faith. The writer of this letter promotes or

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encouraged people not to return like this and to continue to grow in spiritual knowledge. (1.5 marks)

- The aim or intention of this letter is to prove that <u>Jesus Christ is above</u> the Jewish customs or religion. (0.5 mark)
- 3. What is the major theme of the book of Ecclesiastes? How is eternal life specified in this book?
 - The major theme of the book of Ecclesiastes is vanity and fear of God. (1 mark)
 - It is specified in the book that those who are God fearing and have reverence for the Lord will get eternal happiness. (1 mark)
- 4. How many diptychs are there in Holy Qurbana? What does each of them denote?
 - There are six diptychs in Holy Qurbana. (0.5 marks)
 - The first diptych is for the living spiritual fathers, the second for the living faithful and the third for faithful and true Christian rulers. The fourth diptych is in remembrance of the Holy Mother of God and other saints. The fifth one remembers the departed spiritual fathers and teachers. The sixth diptych is for the departed faithful. (0.25 marks for each)
- 5. " In the 5th century, the prominence of Antioch and Christian church began to decline". Justify with four reasons. (0.5 marks for each point)
 - Persecution from the double nature (dyophysite) group after the Chalcedon council.
 - The earthquake of the first half of the 6th century.
 - The Persian attack in AD 538 and the city was completely destroyed
 - In AD 638 when Arabs invaded and conquered Antioch, it became isolated from the Christian world.



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VI. WRITE LONG ANSWERS

 $(answer\ ANY\ TWO\ only(2\ x\ 5=10\ Marks))$

- 1. Justify the spiritual dimension of the book, Song of songs? Write the references mentioned. (1 mark for each point)
 - In the Old Testament, <u>Israel is depicted as the bride of the Lord</u> (Hosea 2:19-20).
 - The bride's extreme anxiety and her intense desire to be one with her beloved, the obstacles, sufferings and temptations which she is subjected to are all beautifully depicted in the book.
 - Since the bridegroom is in love with his beloved bride (Israel) and if she is faithful and true to him in love, she will be able to overcome all the obstacles and will be united with him forever.
 - Similarly, the church is the most beautiful and noble bride of Christ, and she belongs to him and to him only.
 - She should wait for her beloved prayerfully, keeping herself pure and resisting all temptations.
- 2. Explain with biblical references, the preparation of the faithful for the second coming of Jesus Christ? (1 mark for each point)
 - The faithful people need to prepare because the second coming of Jesus Christ will be quick, unexpected and nobody knows about the time when He is coming again.
 - We should await with curiosity (1 Corinth 1:7) "Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed"
 - We should be prepared (St. Mathew 24:44) "So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him."
 - We should be dedicated to our work (St. Luke 19:13-27) Explaining Jesus gave an example in relationship to His second coming. This part clarifies that the people need to be dedicated to their work.



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- We should continuously pray for the second coming (Rev 22:20) "He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus"
- **3.** Describe the service of the angels to the faithful.

The Holy Bible teaches about many different types of service that angels render to the human beings.

The important services of the angels to the faithful are

(1.25 marks for each point)

- i. Guide the people in the right direction (Genesis 24:7,40) When Abraham decides to take a wife for his son Isaac, he tells his servant "God will send his angel before you so that you can find a girl for him" "The Lord, the God of heaven, who brought me out of my father's household and my native land and who spoke to me and promised me on oath, saying, 'To your offspring will give this land'—he will send his angel before you so that you can get a wife for my son from there." Genesis 24:7. Genesis 24:40 confirms that this happened. He replied, 'The Lord, before whom I have walked faithfully, will send his angel with you and make your journey a success, so that you can get a wife for my son from my own clan and from my father's family".
- ii. <u>Protect</u> (Psalm 34:7) "The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them"
- iii. <u>Unbind or Save from trouble</u> (Daniel 6:22) Daniel answered, "May the king live forever! My God sent his angel and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me, because I was found innocent in his sight. Nor have I ever done any wrong before you, Your Majesty."
- iv. <u>Comfort</u> (Acts 27:23,24) Last night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood beside me and said, "Do not be afraid, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you."



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- 4. Elucidate the privileges enjoyed by the Christians during the Muslim rule? Under the rule of Muslims in the 7th century,
 - The persecution from the Chalcedonians (the dyophysites) ended and there was peace in the church
 - Only condition of the Arab rulers was that the Christians should not work against Islam religion and its rulers
 - Non-Muslims had to pay tax. Priests and Ascetics were exempted from tax
 - Military service was compulsory for Muslims, but Christians were exempted from military service. (Instead, they had to pay tax)
 - Muslim rulers were eager to make use of the knowledge of the Christians
 - Since Syria, Persia and Mesopotamia got politically united, so the Gospel spread to many places where it had not reached till then
 - The peaceful atmosphere allowed **the Syrian Christians to excel in fields like science, medicine, astronomy, history and theology**. Thus, they made significant contributions in this fields