



Mor Athanasius Jacobite Sunday School

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CLASS X

FINAL EXAMINATION – ANSWER KEY

1. CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER (10 x 0.5 = 5marks)

1. The book of 'Qoheleth' in Malayalam is.....
(a. Rajakanmar **b. Sabhaprasanghi** c. Purapade)
2. Name the Island where St. John wrote 'The Book of Revelation'.
(**a. Patmos** b. Nile c. Nineveh)
3. The _____ will come like a thief in the night during the second coming.
(a. Heavenly Father, **b. Son of Man,** c. Satan)
4. The community of faithful from the time of, to the time of Jesus Christ is known as Old Testament Church.
(a. Cain b. Paul **c. Adam**)
5. Name the famous ascetic of the Syrian church, who lived in the Dayara of Mor Mathai?
(a. Mor Barsouma, b. Mor Hananiya, c. **Maphriyano Bar Hebraya**)
6. There was a custom prevalent among the Jews to sing the Song of Songs on the 8th day of _____
(**a. Passover** b. Hossana c. Anunciation)
7. Name the person who was not a bishop, but attended the Second Synod/Council of Ephesus.
(a. Simon the Stylite b. **Mor Barsouma** c. Mor Mathai)
8. The second benediction is given in the name of -----
(a. Father, **b. Jesus Christ,** c. Holy Spirit)
9. Who is described as the 'Chief of Princes' and the leader of the forces of heaven in the triumph over Satan and his followers.
(a. **Angel Michael** b. Angel Raphael c. Angel Gabriel)
10. Y.M.C.A was found in which year
(a. 1895 **b. 1844** c. 1872)



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II. FILL UP THE BLANKS

(10 x 0.5 = 5 marks)

1. The major theme of the book, Ecclesiastes is vanity and **fear of God**.
2. The son of man will come in the **Cloudy sky** with great power and glory.
3. The writer of the letter "Hebrews" promotes the people to continue to grow in **Spiritual** knowledge.
4. In the book of Proverbs, the prologue deals with the necessity and relevance of acquiring **wisdom**
5. Elevation of Holy Mysteries in our Holy Qurbana imply the **Ascension** of Jesus Christ to Heaven.
6. St. Paul emphasizes that Jesus Christ was the chief priest according to the order of **Melchizedek**.
7. Old Testament Church is a shadow and New Testament Church is the **essence**
8. The richly symbolic records, God reveals through visions is called **Apocalyptic** Literature.
9. The sound of hand bells and fans that come from the sanctuary, when the people are singing the song 'anpudayone' signifies **Resurrection** of Christ.
10. **Rebuked (Angels who lost their position)** angels were removed from the Kingdom of God because they challenged God and competed with him.

III. MATCH THE FOLLOWING

(5 x 0.5 = 2.5 marks)

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| 1. Ecumenism - E | A. The archangels |
| 2. Parousia - C | B. Leadership |
| 3. Words of wise - D | C. The second coming of Jesus |
| 4. Dominions - B | D. Wisdom of Amenemope |
| 5. Cherubic hymn - A | E. Christian fellowship worldwide |



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IV. STATE TRUE or FALSE

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1. There is direct reference to Christ in the Ecclesiastes. - **False**
2. During the benediction, the celebrant faces the people and makes the sign of the cross two times - **False**
3. St. Paul promises that Jesus Christ offers lot more and much better than whatever they lost by not following the Jewish culture. - **True**
4. In the “Vishuda Grandham” and Greek Bible, this book is named as “Revelation to John”. - **True**
5. In the modern world, the ecumenical movement reflects the endeavour 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 x 2 = 10 marks)

1. Explain the vision about Christ in the ‘Book of Proverbs’, by quoting the references from the New Testament.?

(In this answer for reference, 0.5 marks to be given and the remaining answer with the points to be given 1.5 marks)

- **The theme of Proverbs chapter 8 is wisdom, and the source of all creation is wisdom.**
- **This wisdom is the basis of our spiritual and material life. The superior wisdom of man, morality and eternal life depend upon this wisdom.**
- **St. Paul in his Epistle to the Colossians asserts that Christ is this very same wisdom (Col. 2:3).**
- **St. Paul makes this point very clear again in the epistle to Corinthians (I Cor. 1:22 - 24, 1:30).**



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2. Write a short note on 'Thubden'. (1 mark for each point)

- The word 'Thubden' means "but again and also referred to as 'diptychs'. This word is used to indicate intercessory. When the words 'Thubden' and 'Diptych' are placed together, the meaning may be understood as 'repeated intercessory prayer'. Six diptychs are read during the Holy Eucharist. The first three diptychs remember living persons and the last three the departed.
- 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.

3. Explain the spiritual dimension of the book of 'Song of Songs'

(0.5 marks for each point)

- In the Old Testament, Israel is depicted as the bride of the Lord (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 here.
- It is clearly stated that 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.



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4. Write a short note on 'Virtues' (0.5 marks for each point)
- Virtues are known as the Spirits of Motion and control the elements.
 - They are sometimes referred to as "the shining ones."
 - They govern all nature. They have control over seasons, stars, moon; even the sun is subject to their command.
 - They are also in charge of miracles and provide courage, grace, and valour.

5. How should we prepare for the second coming of Jesus.?

(0.5 marks for each point)

The faithful people need to follow certain things 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
- We should be prepared
- We should be dedicated to our work
- We should continuously pray for the second coming

VI. WRITE LONG ANSWERS

(Answer any TWO (2 x 5 = 10marks))

1. What are the characteristics of the 'Holy Church'

(1.25 marks for each point)



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Characteristics of the church are mentioned in the third paragraph of the creed One and only one Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. From these four characteristics are clear.

1. Church is catholic

Word catholic means universal. i.e. church is universal.

2. Church is apostolic

Lord built the church on the rock-solid faith of St. Peter on Jesus Christ.

Church was planted by Jesus Christ of which Apostles were caretakers..

Since these churches are as old as Apostles and were led by them once upon a time, these churches are known as Apostolic.

3. Church is only one

God is only one. Lord Jesus Christ is also single. St. Peter proclaimed that

Holy Father, Holy Son and Holy Spirit are all one. Jesus once reached

Caseria in Phillipi asked His disciple, whom do the people consider the

Son of Man as? Then He asked, “Whom do you consider me as”? This

question was asked to the gathering of all the disciples. Simon Peter

answered to for the people, “You are the Son of the living God, Messiah.

Jesus accepted the answer given by St. Peter and continued to explain the

laws for the church (St. Mathew 16:1320). Thus all apostolic churches in

the world follow the faith proclaimed by St. Peter. Similarly, since the

church is the body of Jesus Christ the church in various parts of the world

is also united and one.

4. Church is Holy.

Since Jesus Christ, the Head and Initiator of Church is Holy (Lev 19:2;

Luke 1:35) the church initiated by Christ is also Holy. Like how the head

of the church is, so should be His body, the Holy church. St. Paul says you

are the temple of God; the spirit of God dwells up on you. The place where

the Holy Spirit dwells should be Holy. Hence the church is also Holy.



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2. What is the importance of Antioch in the history of the church?

(1mark for each point – any five points)

- **In the early centuries of the Christian era, Antioch was a very important place.**
- **Antioch was the third biggest town of the Roman Empire.**
- **E. S. Burchiar, in his book about the history of Antioch, mentions that in the 4th century, Antioch had 5,00,000 people living in 1,00,000 houses within a radius of 15 miles.**
- **Antioch in the 4th century was much bigger than many of the modern Indian cities. Antioch was the center of Greek culture and learning. It was famous as a center of trade also.**
- **Prominent countries of that time like Greece, Egypt and Syria had trade relationship with Antioch. Since traders from various parts of the world visited Antioch, travel to and communications with other parts of the world were easy from Antioch. All these must have prompted St. Peter to establish his See at Antioch.**
- **From 300 B.C., when Emperor Seleucus Nicator established Antioch, till the 6th century A.D. when Persia conquered it, Antioch remained famous.**
- **When the great Emperor Constantine became a Christian, he built a beautiful church in Antioch. Many Emperors after him followed the tradition.**
- **Also, the rich Christians of that time built many beautiful churches. So till the Persians and the Arabs destroyed it, Antioch continued to be the center of Christian culture.**



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3. Pen down the major theme of the book of Ecclesiastes. Write down the detailed explanation on the division of the book.

The major theme of the book of Ecclesiastes containing 12 chapters is vanity and fear of God. (1mark)

The world and whatever it has are worthless or meaningless and those who are happy solely in this world will not be able to enjoy eternal happiness. But those who are God-fearing and have reverence for the Lord will get eternal happiness. (1mark)

For the purpose of an analytical study, this book can be divided into 3 parts. (1mark for each part – consider the points only)

Part 1- The philosophy that everything is vanity 1:1-11

a) An introduction to vanity 1:1-3

Through the first three verses the author gives a preface to his philosophy of vanity.

b) Description about Vanity 1: 4 - 11

In the very beginning itself, the author presents certain philosophical views that are not related to each other.

Part II - Evidences to show that all is vanity 1:12 - 6:12

He provides concrete evidence to show that everything under the sun is vanity. His all arguments are based on two factors.

1) Evidences based on personal experience

2) Evidences based on observation

1. Evidences based on personal experience 1 : 12 - 2 : 26

a) The futility of seeking wisdom

b) Worldly pleasures are also vanity 2:1-3

c) Acquisition of wealth and great deeds are also vanity 2:4 -17

d) Hard Toiling is in vain 2:18 - 23.

e) Advice 2:24 - 26.



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2. Evidences based on observation 3:1-6:12

There is a time for everything; a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to harvest, a time to mourn and a time to laugh. Everything happens according to the will of God.

Part III - Advice to those who pursue worldly pleasures (7:1 -12:14)

4. Depict Christ in the Book of Revelation with appropriate references

(0.5 marks for each point – any 10 points)

- Faithful witness, First among the resurrected, the head of kings (1:5)
- Olaph and Thav (First and last letter in Syrian), Alpha and Omega in Greek, indicates that He is the first and last (1:8, 22:13)
- Son of Man (1:13)
- First, Last and the Living One (1:17)
- Son of God (2:18)
- Witness, faithful, true one and head of all creations – Amen (3:14)
- Lion of the Jewish tribe, root of David (5:5)
- Slaughtered lamb (5:6)
- Word of God (19:13)
- King of kings – Lord of Lords (19:16)
- The rising star with light all around (22:16)