1.7 The Incarnation and the Nature of Jesus: Test Pack

AQA 8062 · about 20 minutes

Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions.

1 What did the Council of Chalcedon (451) teach about Jesus Christ?

- ☐ A: He is one person with two natures, truly God and truly human
- ☐ B: He is two persons, one divine and one human
- ☐ C: He is truly human but only appeared to be God
- ☐ D: He is truly God but only appeared to be human

(Total for Question 1 is 1 mark)

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2 This question checks key vocabulary used in Christian teaching about the incarnation.

(a) State what is meant by the incarnation. **(1)**

(b) Give one meaning of the name Immanuel. **(1)**

(c) State what is meant by 'Messiah'. **(1)**

(d) Give one word for the angel Gabriel's announcement to Mary that she would give birth to Jesus. **(1)**

(e) Give one title used in Catholic and Orthodox Christianity for Mary, meaning 'God-bearer' or 'Mother of God'. **(1)**

(Total for Question 2 is 5 marks)

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3 Give two ways Catholic or Orthodox Christians show honour to Mary.

(Total for Question 3 is 2 marks)

4 Explain two ways a Christian's belief in the incarnation might affect how they celebrate Christmas.

(Total for Question 4 is 4 marks)

5 Explain two contrasting Christian views on what it means to call Jesus the 'Son of God'. Refer to a source of wisdom and authority in your answer.

(Total for Question 5 is 5 marks)

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Question 1

selecting option A, one person with two natures, truly God and truly human, cao **B1**

Answer: A

Question 2

(a) the Christian belief that God the Son became human in the person of Jesus Christ, oe **B1**

(a) Answer: The belief that God the Son became human in the person of Jesus Christ.

(b) 'God with us', oe **B1**

(b) Answer: 'God with us'.

(c) 'anointed one', the promised saviour/deliverer expected in Jewish and Christian scripture, oe **B1**

(c) Answer: 'Anointed one', the promised saviour/deliverer.

(d) the Annunciation, oe **B1**

(d) Answer: The Annunciation.

(e) Theotokos, oe **B1**

(e) Answer: Theotokos.

Question 3

one way from: praying the Hail Mary or the Rosary; keeping feast days of Mary; visiting shrines dedicated to her; using icons or statues of her in worship; singing hymns or the Magnificat in her honour, oe **B1**

a second, different way from the same list, oe **B1**

Answer: Any two: praying the Hail Mary or Rosary; keeping feast days; visiting shrines; icons or statues; hymns such as the Magnificat.

Question 4

point 1: a Christian might focus their celebration on worship, since Christmas marks the moment they believe God became human, oe **B1**

development: e.g. they might attend a carol service or a midnight Mass, hearing the Gospel accounts of Jesus's birth and giving thanks that God came to live among people, oe **B1**

point 2: a Christian might use Christmas to help people in need, because they believe God chose to be born in humble and poor circumstances, oe **B1**

development: e.g. remembering that Jesus was laid in a manger, a church might collect food and gifts for a local food bank or run a meal for people who would otherwise be alone, oe **B1**

Answer: E.g. focusing the celebration on worship, such as a carol service or midnight Mass; helping people in need, remembering Jesus was born in humble circumstances.

Question 5

view 1: many Christians understand 'Son of God' as describing Jesus's eternal, divine nature, meaning that he is the eternal Son, fully divine and of one being with the Father, oe **B1**

development: the Nicene Creed teaches that the Son is begotten, not made, and of one being with the Father, and John 1:1 says that the Word was God, oe **B1**

view 2: some Christians stress that the title expresses Jesus's unique closeness to God and his role as God's chosen king, drawing on how the title is used in the Old Testament, rather than describing his eternal divine nature, oe **B1**

development: they note that Psalm 2:7 has God addressing Israel's king as his son, so the title can describe a chosen role and a special relationship of obedience and love, oe **B1**

reference to a source of wisdom and authority made accurately, oe **B1**

Answer: Contrast: Son of God as Jesus's eternal, divine nature (Nicene Creed; John 1:1) vs Son of God as his unique relationship and chosen role (Psalm 2:7).

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