1.8 The Crucifixion, Resurrection and Ascension: Test Pack

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Total Marks

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Answer ALL questions.

1 This question checks key vocabulary used in Christian teaching about the crucifixion, resurrection and ascension.

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

(b) State what is meant by the resurrection. **(1)**

(c) State what is meant by the ascension. **(1)**

(d) Give one word for a sacrificial death that makes up for wrongdoing and restores a relationship with God. **(1)**

(e) State what Christians mean by the empty tomb. **(1)**

(Total for Question 1 is 5 marks)

2 Explain two reasons why the ascension is important to Christians. Refer to scripture in your answer.

(Total for Question 2 is 4 marks)

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3 Give three things the Gospels record about Jesus's crucifixion.

(Total for Question 3 is 3 marks)

4 Explain two ways a belief in the resurrection might affect the life of a Christian believer today.

(Total for Question 4 is 4 marks)

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Question 1

(a) Jesus's execution by being nailed to a cross, under the Roman authority of Pontius Pilate, oe **B1**

(a) Answer: Jesus's execution by being nailed to a cross, under Pontius Pilate's Roman authority.

(b) the Christian belief that Jesus rose from the dead on the third day, oe **B1**

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(c) Jesus's return to heaven, witnessed by his disciples, forty days after the resurrection, oe **B1**

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(d) atonement, oe **B1**

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(e) the tomb where Jesus was buried was found empty on the third day, taken as evidence of the resurrection, oe **B1**

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Question 2

point 1: the ascension marks the end of the resurrection appearances and the start of the disciples' mission, oe **B1**

development: in Acts 1:8 Jesus tells the disciples that they will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on them and will be his witnesses to the ends of the earth, oe **B1**

point 2: the ascension leads to the Christian belief that Jesus will return, oe **B1**

development: in Acts 1:11 two men in white tell the disciples that Jesus will come back in the same way as they saw him go into heaven, oe **B1**

Answer: E.g. it starts the disciples' mission (Acts 1:8); it leads to the belief that Jesus will return (Acts 1:11).

Question 3

Jesus died on a cross under the authority of Pontius Pilate, oe **B1**

a sign reading 'King of the Jews' was placed above him, oe **B1**

he was crucified alongside two criminals, oe **B1**

Answer: Any three: died under Pontius Pilate; sign 'King of the Jews' above him; crucified alongside two criminals.

Question 4

point 1: a Christian might find hope and comfort in the face of death or bereavement, oe **B1**

development: e.g. drawing on 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14, that Christians 'do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope', since death is believed not to be the end, oe **B1**

point 2: a Christian might celebrate Easter as the most important festival in the Christian calendar, oe **B1**

development: e.g. attending a special church service, such as an Easter Sunday sunrise service, to mark the resurrection, oe **B1**

Answer: E.g. hope and comfort at times of bereavement (1 Thessalonians 4:13-14); celebrating Easter as the most important Christian festival.

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