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Paper 1 Multiple Choice **October/November 2025**

1 hour

Additional Materials: HB pencil
Clean eraser
Answer grid

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write in soft pencil.

Write your name, centre number and your candidate number on the Answer Sheet in the spaces provided unless this has been done for you.

There are **forty** questions on this paper. Answer **all** questions. For each question there are **four** possible answers **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**.

Choose the **one** you consider correct and record your choice in soft pencil on the Answer Sheet.

Example:

If you think **C** is the right answer, mark the lozenge like this:

1.	**A**	**B**	**C**	**D**

Read carefully and follow the instructions on the separate answer sheet.

Each correct answer will score one mark.

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1. How old was Abraham when he got circumcised?

A 100

B 99

C 75

D 90

2. What did God promise Abram and Sarai at their old age?

A The land of Canaan

B Blessings

C A son

D Protection

3. What did God think of His work after creation?

A It was perfect

B It was glorious

C It was sufficient

D It was good

4. How did God create Adam?

A By word of mouth

B By using dust from the ground

C By using His rib

D By using sand from the ground

5. What other name was the feast of the unleavened bread called?

A Feast of the Passover

B Tabernacles

C Feast of Weeks

D Feast of Pentecost

6. What was Levi's occupation before he became an Apostle?

A Fisherman

B Carpenter

C Tax Collector

D Priest

7. What did the devil promise Jesus if he would bow down and worship him?

A Power over all armies of the world

B All riches of the world

C Lordship over heaven

D All the kingdoms of the world

8. What happened at the Temple at the moment of Jesus' death?

A There was darkness for hours

B There was an earthquake

C The curtain was torn into two

D The tombs were open

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9. "But they were startled and frightened, and supposed that they saw a spirit." (Luke 24: 37)
What did the Apostles give Jesus to eat as proof that he was not a spirit?

A Fish
B Bread
C Fruits
D Meat

10. What warning did John give to the multitudes?

A They should give food to the poor
B They should not rob the people
C They should stop being pretenders
D They should collect only what was due

11. How many men did David gather to bring the Ark of the Lord back to Jerusalem?

A Twenty thousand
B Ten thousand
C Thirty thousand
D Fifty thousand

12. Which **one** of the following is NOT a parable Jesus used to respond to the Pharisees' accusation of his disciples' failure to fast?

A The parable of the old and new garment
B The parable of the old and new wine skins
C The parable of the wedding guests
D The parable of the Great Banquet and guests

13. Which **one** of the following destroys human life?

A Gambling
B Parting
C Suicide
D Poverty

14. Which one of the following best explains why Jesus healed on the Sabbath?

A Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath
B Jesus had compassion
C Jesus is the Son of God
D Jesus considered human life important

15. Which **one** of the following best explains why it was important for Abraham to respond to God's call?

A To demonstrate his love for God
B To be rewarded by God
C To be remembered by God
D To demonstrate his faith in God

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16. Which **one** of the following is the significance of the healing of the Centurion's servant?

A Jesus responded to the faith of the servant
B Jesus has power to forgive sins
C Jesus responded to the faith of the centurion
D Jesus has power over demons

17. "...he shall drink no wine nor strong drink…" (Luke 1:15)
What does the above verse reveal about John?

A He will be committed to his work
B He will be the forerunner of Jesus
C He will be a prophet for all nations
D He will be the voice crying in the wilderness

18. Why did Adam and Eve hide after eating the forbidden fruit?

A They were suffering
B They were guilty
C They feared death
D They were ashamed

19. Which **one** of the following is the significance of the dedication of Jesus?

A It was a fulfilment of the Old Testament prophecy
B He was supposed to meet Simeon at the temple
C He was supposed to study the scripture at the temple
D It was a way of welcoming a child into the Jewish family

20. Which **one** of the following Old Testament prophecies is fulfilled in the annunciation of the birth of Jesus?

A The Messiah will be the forerunner of John
B The Messiah will be born of a virgin
C The Messiah will be born in Bethlehem
D The Messiah will reign over the house of Judah

21. Which **one** of the following best explains why Judas Iscariot agreed to betray Jesus?

A He was greedy
B He was jealous
C He wanted to be in power
D He hated Jesus

22. What is the teaching of the Parable of the Lost Sheep?

A God has come to seek and find the lost
B God is a good shepherd
C God is concerned about the lost
D God is loving and caring

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23. Why did Jesus rebuke the disciples for their failure to heal the boy with an unclean spirit?

A He was disappointed by their lack of compassion
B He was disappointed by their lack of power
C He was disappointed by their lack of faith
D He was disappointed by their lack of the Holy Spirit

24. What can be learnt about the father in the miracle of the boy with an unclean spirit?

A He had compassion
B He was humble
C He was obedient
D He had faith

25. Why would you say Pontius Pilate was honest during the trial of Jesus?

A He freed Barabbas
B He said Jesus was innocent
C He sent Jesus to Herod
D He asked if Jesus was the king of Jews

26. What does the lost sheep represent in the Parable of the Lost Sheep?

A A priest
B A sinner
C A servant
D A friend

27. What can be learnt about Abraham in his willingness to sacrifice his son Isaac?

A He was obedient
B He was humble
C He was faithful
D He was loving

28. Which **one** of the following is a lesson learnt from the parable of the widow and unjust judge?

A To be humble in prayer
B To be persistent in prayer
C To be honest in prayer
D To be righteous in prayer

29. What does the parable of the widow and unjust judge teach about God's character?

A God is trustworthy and willing to answer prayers
B God is Holy and willing to answer prayers
C God is faithful and willing to answer prayers
D God is just and willing to answer prayers

30. …. "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees…" [Luke 12: 1]
What was Jesus warning his disciples against with these words?

A Jesus warned his disciples to avoid food with leaven
B Jesus warned his disciples to avoid mingling with Pharisees
C Jesus warned his disciples to avoid hypocrisy of the Pharisees
D Jesus warned his disciples to avoid food offered to idols

31. What can be learnt about Elizabeth in the naming of John?

A She was respectful
B She was humble
C She was righteous
D She was firm

32. What did the rib symbolise from the creation of woman?

A A married man and woman should live together as one united family
B A married woman is the bone of her man
C A married woman would leave her parents and be united with her husband
D A married man and woman should live together as one united family

33. What can be learnt about God from the sins committed by King David?

A God is compassionate
B God is patient
C God is forgiving
D God is humble

34. And one of them struck the slave of the High Priest and cut off his right ear. And Jesus said "No more of this!!" (Luke 22: 50-51)

What is revealed about Jesus from the words above?

1. His divine nature
2. His firm nature
3. His humble nature
4. His human nature

A 1 and 4
B 2 and 4
C 2 and 3
D 3 and 4

35. "My house shall be a house of prayer; but you have made it a den of robbers" (Luke 19: 46)

What did Jesus mean by these words?

A He was condemning trading in the temple
B He was condemning the robbers in the temple
C He was condemning those who sought to destroy him
D He was condemning the act of the religious leaders

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36. 'But when he who had set me apart before I was born…' (Galatians 1: 15)

What does this verse teach someone who might consider committing abortion?

1. Life is holy
2. Life belongs to God
3. Life begins at conception
4. Life begins at birth

A 1, 2 and 3
B 1, 2 and 4
C 1, 3 and 4
D 2, 3 and 4

37. "Now there was a man named Joseph from the Jewish town of Arimathea. He was a member of the council, a good and righteous man who had not consented to their purpose and deed" (Luke 23: 50)

Which Christian value did Joseph of Arimathea demonstrate?

A Humility
B Integrity
C Honesty
D Self-respect

38. And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom… (Luke 2: 42)

What does the number twelve symbolise?

A Grace
B Trial
C Trinity
D Authority

39. Which of the following is a lesson drawn from Jesus' rejection at Nazareth?

A Christians will face rejection
B Christians will face rejection at Nazareth
C Christians should reject Gentiles
D Christians should reject some prophets

40. Which Christian value was revealed by Jesus during his temptations?

A Self-awareness
B Self-respect
C Integrity
D Humility

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