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**CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS STUDIES: ARTS-J121**

**MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS**

1. Standing in the place of the ancient Israelites' belief system today are three major religions
  - A. Judaism, Christianity and Islam
  - B. Judaism, Buddhism and Christianity
  - C. Christianity, Buddhism and Hinduism
  - D. Judaism, Hebrewism and Islam.
  
2. How did historians succeed in scrutinizing the Old Testament to discover its nature and origins?
  - A. Chronologically
  - B. Historically
  - C. Methodically
  - D. Systematically
  
3. What was salvaged at the destruction of the first Temple by King Nebuchadnezzar in 605-562 BCE?
  - A. The Israelites
  - B. Judaism
  - C. Religious Objects
  - D. Sacred texts
  
4. The Pentateuch is actually a patchwork of what was once a different text known as
  - A. Torah
  - B. Septuagint
  - C. The books of Moses
  - D. J.E.D.P.
  
5. The New Testament writers used the Greek version of the Bible called---
  - A. Talmud
  - B. Septuagint
  - C. Papyrus
  - D. Scroll.
  
6. The following criteria were observed by the early Church in the formation of the canon **except:**
  - A. the author must have either been an apostle or his close associate
  - B. the author must have been well lettered and knowledgeable
  - C. the document should not contradict other "inspired" writings
  - D. the document must share the overall nature of other inspired writings.

7. The New Testament Canon evolved over the course of the period of Christian history between ...
- A. 230-300 AD
  - B. 240-300 AD
  - C. 250-300 AD
  - D. 260-300 AD.
8. The first Christian text that was not canonized but respected as authentic is the ...
- A. First Epistle of Clement of Rome
  - B. Gospel of Thomas
  - C. Epistle of Origen
  - D. Gospel of Claudius.
9. Toward the close of the 18th Century, freed slaves of West African ancestry began to arrive and settle in a town called ...
- A. Cape Town
  - B. Creek Town
  - C. Freetown
  - D. Badagry
10. The trade in slaves from Africa to the Americas began around the ...
- A. Fifteenth-Sixteenth Century
  - B. mid-Sixteenth Century
  - C. Seventeenth-Eighteenth Century
  - D. mid Eighteenth to Nineteenth Century.
11. During the slave trade, Africans were transported across the Atlantic were estimated to be ...
- A. ten million
  - B. twelve million
  - C. thirteen million
  - D. fifteen million.
12. The first freed slaves to be shipped to Sierra Leone from London in 1787 were:
- A. 300
  - B. 305
  - C. 315
  - D. 331.
13. "Hear this word, you cows of Bashan ...who oppress the poor, who crush the needy ..."  
(Amos 4:1). *Cows of Bashan* in here refers to the ...
- A. women of Samaria
  - B. wicked kings
  - C. false prophets
  - D. judges in Israel.

14. God promised the Israelites that if they repented of their sins and returned to Him, He would.....
- A. fill them with His knowledge
  - B. deliver their enemies into their hands
  - C. give them shepherds after His own Heart
  - D. give them favour in the sight of the nations.
15. God decided not to punish the people of Israel during the reign of Josiah for the sins they committed because ...
- A. Josiah humbled himself before the LORD
  - B. God was merciful to him
  - C. Josiah took care of the prophets
  - D. God did not want Josiah to backslide.
16. Amos declared that the Jews who built houses of hewn stone would not dwell in them because they
- A. swore falsely
  - B. persecuted the prophets
  - C. trampled upon the poor
  - D. worshipped other gods.
17. What acts of righteousness did Isaiah admonish his people to demonstrate?
- A. Helping the poor and offering sacrifices.
  - B. Learning to do good and seeking justice.
  - C. Defending the orphans and respecting the widows.
  - D. Avoiding evil and praying for others.
18. "Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus ..." (Luke 16: 24). Abraham could not grant the rich man's request because ...
- A. his dogs used to lick Lazarus' sores
  - B. he had no pity on the rich man
  - C. there was a chasm between them
  - D. the rich man lived in luxury while on earth.
19. The Jewish religious leaders arrested and imprisoned the Apostles the second time because
- A. the High Priest and the Sadducees were jealous
  - B. they disobeyed the law
  - C. they were accused of treason
  - D. they performed miracles in the name of Jesus.
20. In the Transfiguration episode, Moses and Elijah represented the
- A. glory of God
  - B. Old Testament saints
  - C. law and the prophets
  - D. end of the age.

21. “ ... but he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep ...” (John 10:2). *The door* in this statement refers to
- Jesus Christ
  - the Gospel
  - Apostle Peter
  - the law.
22. Jesus did not go immediately to attend to Lazarus who was reported sick because He
- did not know how serious the sickness was
  - wanted His disciples to believe in Him
  - cared less about Lazarus
  - was too busy attending to other people.
23. The following are Israel’s patriarchs **except**...
- Abraham
  - Isaac
  - Jacob
  - Abel.
24. The first three books of the New Testament are called the \_\_\_\_\_
- Common Gospels
  - Major Gospels
  - Synoptic Gospels
  - Major Three.
25. One of these is not a cause of proliferation of Churches in Nigeria.
- Polygamy and allied matters
  - Desire for independence
  - Selfishness
  - Nationalism
26. A family system where the males have more power and authority than the females and where right and inheritance pass from fathers to sons is .....
- matriarchal
  - fatherhood
  - motherhood
  - patriarchal.
27. The supplementary hypothesis is a combination of
- form criticism and tradition history
  - source criticism and Old Testament criticism
  - textual criticism and Samaritan Pentateuch
  - the older documentary hypothesis and fragment hypothesis.
28. By the priority of Mark, we mean \_\_\_\_\_
- Mark was the last Gospel to be written
  - Mark was the first Gospel to be written
  - Matthew used Mark extensively
  - Luke copied Matthew.

29. In which of these Churches do women play prominent role?
- Mainline Churches.
  - African Indigenous Churches.
  - Anglican Church.
  - Baptist Church.
30. Moses asked Pharaoh to allow the Hebrews depart from Egypt in order to...
- buy more food from the land of Canaan
  - fight the Jebusites
  - make a sacrifice to the Lord in the wilderness
  - smite the Amorites.
31. The term "Quelle" means \_\_\_\_\_
- form
  - primitive
  - redactive
  - source.
32. The term 'Aladura' is also used of the
- white garment Churches
  - Pentecostal Churches
  - Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministry
  - all Churches in Yoruba land.
33. The Old Testament Scripture contains in it three (3) kinds of records ...
- story, legends and history
  - myths, legends and story
  - myths, legends and history
  - history, prophesy and Torah.
34. Legends are stories that are based on----
- memories of ancient people
  - memories of human beings persevered by oral traditions
  - memories that are not properly documented
  - stories that look as if they are true.
35. Through the conquest of Alexander the Great of the then world, the Greeks produced-----
- Hellenistic culture
  - Egyptian culture
  - Adulterated culture
  - African culture
36. "Roman Peace" is also known as -----
- Roman citizenship
  - Roman communications
  - "Pax Romana"
  - Greco-Roman Culture.

37. In the Roman Empire, which of these administrative systems was developed?
- A. Parochial
  - B. Federal
  - C. State
  - D. Provincial.
38. Jesus Christ was born during the reign of ----
- A. Philip the Tetrarch
  - B. Herod the Great
  - C. Alexander the Great
  - D. Pontius Pilate.
39. The outcome of the Jewish response to Hellenism was the creation of the ...
- A. Maccabees
  - B. Pharisees
  - C. Religious parties
  - D. Zealots.
40. ---- sect withdrew from the society and formed a small community of sharing and caring.
- A. The Sadducees
  - B. The Essenes
  - C. The Sanhedrin
  - D. The Scribes.
41. The Aramaeans were among the people who were mainly -----
- A. tradesmen
  - B. those who dwell in the cities
  - C. from Egypt
  - D. nomads.
42. The peoples of Ur and Haran worshipped the same god known as -----
- A. Baal
  - B. Jehovah
  - C. Sin
  - D. Ashtoreth.
43. Religiosity can be measured in the following ways with the **exception of**:
- A. Church membership
  - B. frequency of Church attendance
  - C. visiting religious leaders
  - D. saying of private prayers.

44. The major cause of corruption in Nigeria involves all of the following **except** ...

- A. weak Government institutions
- B. lack of openness and transparency in public service
- C. inability of Churches to preach morality
- D. absence of key anti-corruption tools.

45. The word "Pharisee" means the \_\_\_\_\_

- A. anointed
- B. separate
- C. divided
- D. honourable.

46. The party that believed most strongly in the Jewish Law is the \_\_\_\_

- A. Sadducees
- B. Pharisees
- C. Scribes
- D. Sanhedrin.

47. One of cardinal beliefs of the Pentecostal Churches is **NOT**

- A. baptism of the Holy Spirit
- B. charismatic leadership
- C. Apostolic succession
- D. inerrancy of the Bible.

48. The Rev S. B. J. Oshoffa was born in 1909 in \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Oyo Town
- B. Porto Novo
- C. Freetown
- D. Abeokuta.

49. Who was the first indigenous Church founder in Nigeria?

A. Apostle Joseph Ayo Babalola.

B. Archbishop Benson Idahosa.

C. Garrick Sokeri Braide.

D. Moses Orimolade.

50. Who declared religion as the “opium” of the people?

A. Karl Marx

B. Paul Tillich

C. Emile Durkheim

D. Charles Webber

## **CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS STUDIES ESSAY QUESTIONS**

### **PART ONE: CRS 001: OLD TESTAMENT STUDIES**

- 1.A. Explain the circumstances that led to the rejection of Saul as the king of Israel. (12 Marks)
- B.Mention two consequences of his rejection as king. (3 Marks)
- 2.What were the criteria used in determining the Canon of the Old Testament? (15Marks)

### **PART TWO: CRS 002: NEW TESTAMENT STUDIES**

3. Examine the difficulties in determining the authorship of the Gospel according to Matthew. (15 Marks)
4. What are the major differences between John and the Synoptic Gospels? (15 Marks)

### **PART THREE: CRS 003: CHURCH HISTORY**

- 5.With concrete facts, prove that the freed slaves were the major factors in the diffusion of Christianity in West Africa. (15 Marks)
- 6.Highlight the influence of the Pentecostal Movement on the Mainline Churches in Nigeria. (15 Marks)

### **PART FOUR: CRS 004: RELIGION AND SOCIETY**

7. Critically examine the relationship between religion and the society. (15 Marks)
8. Outline the theories proposed by Sociologists to explain religion. (15 Marks)