Mor Athanasius Jacobite Sunday School

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CLASS IX

FINAL TERM EXAMINATION -2025

Roll Number	

Theory / 35	
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Total / 50	

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

1. What was kept on top of the Ark of the Covenant?
   a. Censer b. **Mercy seat** c. Laver
2. From where did Saul start his missionary journey?
   a. **Antioch** b. Selucia c. Salamis
3. Which Cappadocian Father believed that Christian life is an imitation of Divine character?
   a. St. Basil b. St. Gregory of Nazianzus c. **St. Gregory of Nyssa**
4. Who spoke in support of St. Peter in the Jerusalem Synod?
   a. St Paul b. **St James** c. Judas
5. Which prophet told Paul that he would be arrested and handed over to the Gentiles in Caesarea?
   a. **Agabus** b. Trophimus c. Malachi
6. Who among the Cappadocian fathers of Caesarea was considered the greatest and popularly called the 'Second Athanasius'?
   a. St. Gregory b. **St. Basil** c. St. Luke
7. According to Leviticus 2, who receives the remainder of the grain offering?
   a. **Aaron and his sons** b. Moses and his sons c. Simon and his sons
8. Who was the man who fell asleep during Paul's preaching, fell from the third storey, and died?

a) Timothy b) Silas **c) Eutychus**

9. In which year did His Holiness Moran Mor Ignatius Zakka I visit Malankara?
   a. **1982** b. 1981 c. 1984
10. What caused Paul and Silas to be freed from prison in Philippi?
    a) tunnel b) jailer **c) earthquake**

II. FILL UP THE BLANKS (10 x 0.5= 5 marks)

1. Handkerchiefs and aprons used by **St. Paul** helped to cure the sick and drive evil spirits out.
2. **John Mark** left Paul & Barnabas and went back to Jerusalem during the first Missionary journey
3. The death of a believer is compared with a **sleep**.
4. The main point of disagreement in the early church was about **Gentiles** who accepted the faith.
5. **Tabernacle** is the temporary facility to worship the true God made under the leadership of Moses.
6. Paul wrote the first letter to Thessalonians while he was in **Corinth**.
7. **Lydia** was the first Christian to be baptized in Europe
8. When anybody commit a trespass and sin unintentionally in any of the holy things of the Lord, he will do a **guilt** offering to the Lord.
9. The Syrian Christian Association held at St. Thomas Church, Mulanthuruthy on 27 September 2004 is popularly known as the **Second** Mulanthuruthy Synod.
10. **Cross** is the symbol of salvation.

III. MATCH THE FOLLOWING (5 x 0.5 =2.5 marks)

1.	Tribe of Levi	**(C)**	A.	Part of Worship
2.	Teacher of Law	**(D)**	B.	Eunice
3.	Paul and Barnabas	**(E)**	C.	Service at the Tabernacle
4.	Timothy	**(B)**	D.	Gamaliel

5. Old Testament offerings **(A)** E. Zeus and Hermes

IV. STATE TRUE or FALSE (5 x 0.5 =2. 5 marks)

1. The golden lamp stand had a central stem from which three branches extended from each side forming a total of nine branches. **False**
2. It was the first time in the history of the Syrian Orthodox Church that the Catholicose of the East presided over the election and elevation of the Patriarch of Antioch**. True**
3. St. Paul tells us that all men should pray for each other and ignore the goodness of others. **False**
4. In Corinth, St. Paul stayed with Aquila and Priscilla, who were tent makers like Paul- **True**
5. Sacrificing one's own life for a friend is the greatest manifestation of love. **True**

V. SHORT NOTES (3 or 4 SENTENCES) (5 x 2 = 10 marks)

1. **Why did Demetrius start a riot against Paul and the believers in Ephesus?**

   a) Ephesus was home to a grand temple of the goddess Artemis. ***(0.25 mark)***
   b) Silversmiths, led by Demetrius, made money by selling silver models of Artemis. (***0.25 mark)***
   c) Paul preached that handmade gods are not real gods, which reduced idol sales and hurt their business. ***(1mark – Key point)***
   d) Demetrius got angry and started a riot against Paul and the believers. ***(0.5 mark)***

2. **How did the governor of Paphos, Sergius, become a believer in God?**

   a) Elymas, the governor's friend, tried to stop him from hearing the Word of God, so Paul rebuked him and made him blind for a short time**. *(1.25 marks – Key point)***
   b) Seeing this miracle, Sergius believed in God and accepted the Word. ***(0.75 mark)***

3. **Pen down any 4 key highlights on the Third Holy Apostolic Visit of H.H. Moran Mor Ignatius Zakka I.** ***(0.5mark each)***

   a) The third Holy Apostolic visit took place in September 2004.
   b) His Holiness inaugurated the Silver Jubilee celebrations of his consecration.

c) He performed the Mooron Sacrament at St. Thomas Church (Cheriapally), Kothamangalam.
d) His Holiness inaugurated the Patriarchate Centre at Puthencruz.
e) He presided over the Episcopal Synod at St. George's Church, Karingachira.
f) Chaired the central committee meeting of M.J.S.S.A at the Patriarchate Centre, Puthencruz on 24th September 2004.
g) Presided over the 2nd Mulanthuruthy Synod at St. Thomas Church, Mulanthuruthy on 27th September 2004.

4. **Why did Moses lift up the brass snake in the wilderness, and what happened to those who looked at it with faith**?

a) Moses lifted up a brass snake on a stick at the center of the camp so everyone could see it. ***(0.5 mark)***
b) Anyone bitten by a snake who looked at the brass snake with faith was saved from death. ***(1 mark – Key point)***
c) This act symbolized that those who look upon the cross with faith will also be saved. ***(0.5 mark)***

5. **Who are the Cherubim and what role did they play after man was driven out of the Garden of Eden?**

d) Cherubim are a group of angels who stand close to the Lord. ***(0.5 mark)***
e) God commanded them to guard the Garden of Eden with a flaming, turning sword to prevent man from entering again. ***(1.5 marks – Key point)***

VI. WRITE LONG ANSWERS **(Answer any TWO)** ***(2 x 5 = 10marks)***

1. **How did Saul transform into St. Paul, the Apostle of Christ?**

a) Saul was a Roman citizen. He was passionate (zestful) in observing the Law of God. He was enthusiastic in persecuting the Christian Church. He kept up his violent threats of murder against the followers of the Lord. ***(1 mark)***
b) He set out with a few people with letters of introduction to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he could find out any followers of the church, he could arrest and bring them back to Jerusalem. ***(0.75 mark)***
c) As Saul approached the city of Damascus, he had a vision. A dazzling light from the sky flashed around him. He fell down to the ground and heard a voice, "Saul, Saul! Why do you persecute me?" "Who are you, Lord?" he

asked. "I am Jesus whom you persecute," the voice said. "But get up and go into the city, where you will be told what you must do". ***(1 mark)***

d) When he got up, he could not see anything. He was led to the house of Judas at straight street. For three days he fasted. ***(0.75 mark)***

e) At God's guidance a disciple named, Ananias came to Saul and placed his hands on him and prayed. His vision was restored. He received baptism. ***(0.75 mark)***

f) After his baptism, Saul went to the desert for keeping communion with God and for meditation for some time. Saul returned to Damascus as totally changed man and full of enthusiasm. ***(0.75 mark)***

2. **Justify the plan of salvation that God prepared on the cross for the redemption of the human race, noble and congruent (consistent) with God's justice.**

a) In the Garden of Eden, humanity disobeyed God by eating from the forbidden tree, resulting in death. ***(1mark)***

b) At Calvary, Jesus showed complete obedience to God the Father by dying on the cross. ***(1mark)***

c) The original sin involved a material object—a tree (tree of knowledge)—so God chose another material object—a tree (the cross)—to bring about redemption**.** ***(1mark)***

d) Eve played a role in humanity's fall; in God's redemption plan, a woman—Virgin Mary—became the mother of Jesus through the Holy Spirit. ***(1mark)***

e) Adam, the first man, disobeyed God; Jesus, the sinless man, obeyed God's will and provided redemption for all. These points show that God's plan for salvation was both noble and just. ***(1mark)***

3. **Describe the life and contributions of St. Gregory of Nazianzus.**

a) St. Gregory was born in Ariyansus near Nazianzus in Cappadocia in 330 A.D. ***(0.5 mark)***

b) He came from an aristocratic and educated family and studied in Caesarea and Athens. ***(0.5 mark)***

c) While studying in Athens, he lived with St. Basil and helped codify monastic rules. ***(1 mark)***

d) He was invited to Constantinople by true believers and helped bring back many who followed Arius's false teachings. ***(1 mark)***

e) Though elected Bishop of Constantinople in 381 A.D., he stepped down

to avoid division and spent his remaining years in prayer and meditation until his death in 390 A.D. ***(1 mark)***

f) His literary works—lectures, discourses, and articles—are of global standard and have been translated into many languages. ***(1 mark)***

4. **Describe the following:**

   a. **List the five types of offerings described in the Old Testament.** *(1.25 mark)*
   b. **The significance of the Burnt Offering and the Peace Offering.** ***(2.5 mark)***
   c. **The Old Testament sacrifices point to the ultimate sacrifice at Calvary? *(1.75 mark)***

The five types of offerings described in the Old Testament are: ***(0.25 mark each)***

1) Burnt Offering 2) Grain Offering 3) Peace Offering/Well-Being Offering
4) Sin Offering 1) Guilt Offering/Trespass Offering

a) The significance of the Burnt Offering and the Peace Offering are as follows:

Burnt Offering: ***(1.25mark)***

- ✓ Also Known as the "*whole burnt offering or an offering by fire of pleasing odor to the Lord"*.
- ✓ The animal offered *must be a male without blemish*.
- ✓ The animal *is brought before the Lord*.
- ✓ The person *offering places their hand on the animal's head as a sign of atonement.*
- ✓ *No part of the animal is taken by anyone*; the entire offering is burnt on the altar.

Peace Offering/Well - Being Offering: ***(1.25mark)***

- ✓ Also called a *"Thanksgiving Offering."*
- ✓ Given to *express gratitude for God's grace and for fellowship with others*.
- ✓ *Part of the sacrificed animal is burnt on the altar*.
- ✓ The *priest receives a portion of the remaining meat*.
- ✓ The *person making the offering is also entitled to a share of it*

b) All Old Testament sacrifices pointed to the *incomparable sacrifice of Jesus Christ.* These sacrifices *provided temporary benefits and could not bring permanent salvation or forgiveness of sin*. Through His sacrifice, *humanity received permanent salvation and forgiveness of sin.* ***(1.75mark)***