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Wednesday 4 June 2025

Afternoon (Time: 1 hour 45 minutes) **Paper reference** **1RB0/3B**

Religious Studies B

PAPER 3: Area of Study 3 – Religion, Philosophy and Social Justice

Option 3B – Christianity

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 102.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- Questions labelled with an **asterisk** (*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed
– *you should take particular care on these questions with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the use of specialist terminology.*
- The marks available for spelling, punctuation and grammar are clearly indicated.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Question 1: Christian Beliefs

- 1 (a) Outline **three** features of the biblical accounts of Creation.

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- (b) Explain **two** Christian beliefs about the importance of salvation.

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(c) Explain **two** reasons why the problem of evil and suffering may cause Christians to question their faith.

In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.

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*(d) "The crucifixion shows Christians what Jesus is really like."

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you must:

- refer to Christian teachings
- reach a justified conclusion.

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(Total for Question 1 = 27 marks)



Question 2: Philosophy of Religion

2 (a) Outline **three** reasons prayer may lead to belief in God.

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(b) Explain **two** things the Bible reveals about the nature of God.

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(c) Explain **two** examples of miracles shown in the Bible.

In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.

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(d) "God is the designer of the world."

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you must:

- refer to Christian teachings
- refer to non-religious points of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

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Question 3: Living the Christian Life

3 (a) Outline **three** reasons Christians celebrate religious festivals.

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(b) Explain **two** reasons why Christians should give to charity.

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(c) Explain **two** ways the Church carries out missionary work.

In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.

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In this question, 3 of the marks awarded will be for your spelling, punctuation and grammar and your use of specialist terminology.

*(d) "Informal prayer is the best form of prayer."

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you must:

- refer to Christian teachings
- reach a justified conclusion

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Question 4: Equality

4 (a) Outline **three** Christian teachings about discrimination.

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(b) Explain **two** benefits of living in a multi-faith society for Christians.

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(c) Explain **two** Christian beliefs about human rights.

In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.

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(d) "There will always be poverty in the world."

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you must:

- refer to Christian teachings
- reach a justified conclusion.

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