

## 2025 MASSHA MARKING KEY

### BIBLEKNOWLEDGE PAPER 2

1. **Isaiah 8:16 – 22** Isaiah temporary withdraw from public ministry

**a. Why Isaiah withdrew from ministry**

- His prophetic work was fruitless
- His patience was worn out
- Ahaz refused to follow his advice/Ahaz was stubborn
- The people of Judah could not listen to him
- He wanted to pay more attention to his disciples
- He wanted to make his prophecies come true

**(2 marks any point up to 8 marks)**

**b. Message Isaiah told his disciples**

- To guard the message God has given them
- To preserve the message God had given them
- They should discourage people from consulting the mediums
- Bear witness to the message of Isaiah

**(2 marks any point up to 6 marks)**

**c. Troubling experience the people of Judah went through during this time**

- People would wander through the land
- People would be discouraged and hungry
- People in their anger they would curse their God
- People in their anger would curse their king



**(2 marks any point up to 6 marks)**

**2. Isaiah 47:1 -15 judgment on Babylon**

**a. Accusations leveled against Babylon**

- She was cruel especially towards the aged
- Arrogant – thinking that she would last forever
- Seeking the life of pleasure/Love luxurious life
- She thought she was like God
- She thought she would run away from gods judgment

**(2 marks each point up to 8 marks)**

**b. Punishment for Babylonians**

- She will no longer rule the nations
- She will suffer humiliation for losing possession
- She will experience war that will lead to loss of husbands and children
- She will be devastated and ruined
- Her fortune tellers and magicians will turn to be cheats
- The country will lose her sense of direction

**(2 marks each point up to 8 marks)**

- Foreigners will serve them
- Foreigners shall take care of their flocks
- They will farm their land and tend to their vineyard
- They will be known as priests of the lord



- They will enjoy the wealth of the nation
- They will be proud that it is theirs

**(2 marks any point up to 6 marks)**

**3. Luke 3: 1 – 20 John the Baptist**

**a. Why people believe that John was a Prophet**

- His way of life
- The place where he lived
- His way of dressing
- His courage to denounce both people and leaders

**(2 marks each point up to 6 marks)**

**b. What John told the people who came to be baptized by him**

- You snakes
- He said to them
- Who told you that you that you could escape
- From the punishment God is about to send
- Do these things that will show you have turned away from your sins
- And don't say among yourselves that Abraham is your ancestors
- I tell you that god can turn these stones and make descendants of Abraham

**(2 marks each point up to 8 marks)**

**c. Advise John gave to**

**(i) Soldiers**

- Don't take money from anyone by force



- Don't accuse anyone falsely
- Be content with your pay

**(2 marks each point up to 4 marks)**

**(ii) Tax collectors**

- Don't collect more than legal

**(2 marks each point up to 2 marks)**

**4. Luke 20: 19 -26** is about paying tax

**a. Why the Jewish authorities asked the question to Jesus**

- They wanted to trap Jesus

**(2 marks each point up to 2 marks)**

**b. Response of Jesus to the question**

- Pay to Caesar
- what belongs to Caesar
- And to God
- what belongs to God to God

**((1 mark each point up to 4 marks)**

**c. Why tax collectors were considered as sinners by Jews**

- they used to charge more than legal
- they kept the extra money for themselves
- they were dishonest and greedy
- they collaborated with the Romans
- they used to interact with the Gentiles and other unclean people

**(2 marks each point up to 6 marks)**



**d. Why paying tax is important today**

**The money is used for**

- Construction of schools, hospitals, roads, markets
- Buying of drugs in hospitals and fuel for ambulances
- Buying teaching and learning materials
- Paying Civil servants
- Providing civic education on contemporary issues such as outbreak of HIV, COVID
- Promoting security to the people and their property
- Any other relevant to the question

**(2 marks each point up to 8 marks)**

**5. Acts 11:19 – 39 the Church in Antioch**

**a. How the Good news was brought in Antioch**

- By some believers who were scattered by persecution when Stephen was killed
- Other believers from Cyprus and Cyrene brought the Good news

**(2 marks each point up to 4 marks)**

**b. Who Agabus was**

- One of the prophets who came from Jerusalem to Antioch
- He was filled with the power of the Holy Spirit
- He predicted that a severe famine would come over the entire world

**(2 marks each point up to 2 marks)**

**c. How the people reacted to the prophecy of Agabus**



- They contributed some money
- They sent money to the church elders by Barnabas and Saul to help believers in Judah

**(2 marks each point up to 4 marks)**

**d. Effects of Paul's work in Antioch**

- Many people turned to the lord and were baptized
- Believer were called Christians in Antioch

**(2 marks each point up to 4 marks)**

**e. Three themes relevant to the story**

- The power of the Holy Spirit is irresistible
- Jesus works through the Holy Spirit
- The Holy Spirit guides the church

**(2 marks each point up to 6 marks)**

**6. Acts 25 Paul appeals to the Emperor**

**a. What happened to Paul when brought before Festus**

- The Jews asked Festus to bring Paul to Jerusalem with the aim killing him on the way
- Te accusers charged Paul and he denied the charges
- Paul appealed to the Emperor

**(2 marks each point up to 6 marks)**

**b. Paul's response to the questions asked by Festus**

- I am standing before the Emperors own court
- Where I should be tried



- I have done no wrong to the Jews as you yourself know
- If I have done anything wrong I am ready to die
- But if there are no truths in the charges they bring against me
- No one can handover to me to them
- I appeal to the Emperor

**(1 mark each point up to 6 marks)**

**c. Reasons why Festus did not pay attention to Paul's accusers**

- The accusers did not bring any of the civil crimes
- Their arguments against them were about their own religion and a man named Jesus

**(2 marks each point up to 4 marks)**

**d. Two themes relevant to the story**

- The Authors sympathy for the Romans
- The church shares in the sufferings of Jesus

**(2 marks each point up to 4 marks)**

