



**MAR THOMA DIOCESAN SUNDAY SCHOOLS
DIOCESE OF NORTH AMERICA AND CANADA
2021 DIOCESAN EXAM
GRADE 10**

Time: 90 Minutes

Maximum Score: 100 Points

Section 1 – Multiple Choice

Circle the most appropriate response for the following question/statement.

(25 x 1pt = 25 pts. Total)

1. "I do not nullify the _____; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing." ~ Galatians 2:21
 - a. sacrifice of Jesus
 - b. word of God
 - c. grace of God
 - d. 10 commandments

2. According to Deuteronomy 30, what has God set before you?
 - a. angels and demons
 - b. good and evil
 - c. heaven and hell
 - d. blessings and curses

3. Which is NOT an "I AM" statement of Jesus?
 - a. I am the true vine
 - b. I am the light of the world
 - c. I am the bread of life
 - d. I am who I am

4. All Christians should embody _____ within their lives.
 1. Unity
 2. Pride
 3. Humility
 4. meekness

5. Paul emphasizes justification of Salvation as being through _____
 - a. Faith
 - b. Good deeds
 - c. Worship
 - d. Action

6. Who told Job "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God and die."
a) Friends
b) Satan
c) Wife
d) Father

7. How many beatitudes are in the Sermon on the Mount
a) 7 b) 8 c) 9 d) 10

7. What church is Paul putting up as an example of generosity in 1 Corinthians 8?
a. church in Macedonia b. church in Galatia
c. church in Corinth d. church in Jerusalem

8. Who attacked Job's property?
a. Chaldeans and Sabeans b. Chaldeans and Canaanites
c. Philistines and Sabeans d. Philistines and Canaanites

9. What new name for God did Jesus use in John 17?
a. Holy One b. Abba Father c. Holy Father d. God Almighty

10. Where was Jacob when he uttered the words "Surely the Lord is in this place – and I did not know it!"?
a. Haran b. Bethel c. Beer-sheba d. Ur

11. According to John the Baptist, what is in the hand of the "one who is more powerful" than him?
a. sword b. sandals c. shepherd's staff d. winnowing fork

12. In James 2, who did James say was justified by works?
a. Jesus b. Paul c. Job d. Rahab

13. How many years passed from when the Israelites returned from exile and God gave them a message through the prophet Haggai?
a. 2 b. 18 c. 16 d. 40

14. What event does Jesus remind Nicodemus about during their late-night conversation?
a. Abraham's covenant with God b. Israel's return from exile
c. Moses lifting up the serpent d. Ezekiel's vision of a valley of dry bones

15. What metaphor does John use in Revelation 21 to describe the new Jerusalem?
a. as a lamb brought to the slaughter b. as a new vision of Paradise
c. as a bride adorned for her husband d. as a city on a hill

Section 2 – Short Answers

Answer any four (4) of the following. (4 x 5pts = 20 pts. Total)

1. Describe Ezekiel’s vision in Ezekiel 37. (2 pts) What does the vision mean? (3pts)

2 Which of Job’s friends visited him? (1.5 points) How did they respond seeing his suffering? (3.5 points)

3. Write 5 or more sentences about Haggai: What was the word of the LORD to Haggai? What was Haggai’s message to the Israelites and how did they respond and what did they accomplish?

4. What do the Old Testament prophecies say about John the Baptist? (2 pts) How is he different from Jesus? (3 pts)

5. What is worship? (1 pt) Compare and contrast Old Testament and New Testament understandings of worship. How are they similar and how are they different? (4 pts)

6. What is Paul’s view of justification? (2 pts) What is James’ view of justification? (2 pts) How can you reconcile the two? (1 pt)

Section 3 – Memory Verse

Complete any five (5) of the following. (5 x 5pts = 25 pts. Total)

1. Day by _____ being saved. ~ Acts 2:46-47
2. "I appeal _____ spiritual worship." ~ Romans 12:1
3. "Know that _____ promised you." ~ Genesis 28:15
4. I have _____ your word. ~ John 17:6
5. If a _____ is dead. ~ James 2:15-17
6. Blessed are _____ heaven. Matthew 5:10
7. Do nothing _____ yourselves. Philippians 2:3

Section 4 – Multiple Choice – Mar Thoma Church: Our Foundation and Vision

Circle the most appropriate response for the following question/statement.

(10 x 1pt = 10 pts. Total)

1. Koinonia means _____.
 - a. Sisters of Charity
 - b. Call to worship
 - c. Communion and Fellowship
 - d. Servant Ministry

2. Who was awarded the Pope John XXII Peace Prize and the Jawaharlal Nehru Award for International Understanding?
 - a. Dr. E. Stanley Jones
 - b. Nirmal Hriday
 - c. Mother Theresa
 - d. Mahatma Gandhi Association

3. What is the name of the home for the dying destitute started by Mother Theresa in 1952?
 - a. Sat Tal
 - b. Asha Bhavan
 - c. Nirmal Hriday
 - d. Mochana

4. What did Dr. E. Stanley Jones establish at Sat Tal?
- a. Orphanage
 - b. Home for the Destitute
 - c. Ashram
 - d. Missionary Hospital
5. In which 2 communities are the Diocese of North America engaging in Mission Work?
- a. Mexican and African American
 - b. Mexican and Native American
 - c. Native American and Elderly
 - d. Homeless and Orphans
6. In which year was the Mar Thoma Sunday School Samajam established in?
- a. 1912
 - b. 1896
 - c. 1905
 - d. 1965
7. What was the name of a book written by Dr. E. Stanley Jones?
- a. Foundation and Vision
 - b. The Christ of the Indian Road
 - c. My Utmost for His Highest
 - d. The Case for Christ
8. Who was the first Bishop to receive an earned PhD?
- a. Dr. Alexander Mar Thoma Valiya Metropolitan
 - b. Dr. Abraham Mar Thoma Metropolitan
 - c. Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos
 - d. Rt. Rev. Dr. Euyakim Mar Coorilos
9. What is the term used for servant ministry?
- a. Diakonial ministry
 - b. Koinonia
 - c. Centrifugal ministry
 - d. Centripetal ministry
10. Who said: "The message of the Kingdom of God calls upon us to serve others in all their needs – physical, mental, and spiritual."
- a. Dr. E. Stanley Jones
 - b. Dr. Abraham Mar Thoma Metropolitan
 - c. Mother Teresa
 - d. Dr. Alexander Mar Thoma Valiya Metropolitan

Section 5 – Short Answers – Mar Thoma Church: Our Foundation and Vision

Answer any two (2) of the following. (2 x 5pts = 10 pts. Total)

1. Give five reasons why Mother Theresa is a supreme example of love, humility and Christlikeness.

2. Describe the philosophy of evangelization Dr. E. Stanley Jones. (1 pt) Discuss 2 major contributions and relate these contributions to his philosophy. (4 pts)

3. Discuss 2 major contributions each of Dr. Abraham Mar Thoma Metropolitan (2 pts) and Dr. Alexander Mar Thoma Valiya Metropolitan (2 pts), specifically related to evangelism. Describe their impact on the Mission work of the current Mar Thoma Church (1 pt).

Section 6 – Essay

Answer any one (1) of the following with an essay of 150 words or more. (10 pts. Total)

1) 1 John Chapter 4 introduces the idea of sacrificial love and transformational love. Explain how we can personify the love of God in our lives. Include the following:

- a. Introduction (2)
- b. Message of sacrificial love (2)
- c. Message of transforming love (2)
- d. Personifying God’s love in our lives (2)
- e. Conclusion (2)

2. List any 4 Beatitudes found in Matthew 5 and explain their meaning. (8 pts) Identify contemporary communities or groups who would fall into these categories. (2 pts)