# JUDGEMENT

# Christianity Beliefs and Teachings

1. Which parable teaches about the afterlife and judgement?

[1 mark]

- A) Good Samaritan B) The Lost Son C) The Sheep and the Goats D) The Lost Sheep
- 2. Give two beliefs about when judgement occurs.

[2 marks]

Straight away after death/ sometime in the future on the day of judgement

3. Explain two ways in which belief in the afterlife influences Christians today.

[4 marks]

Live a good life: receive a good afterlife/ Follow the 10 Commandments, love their neighbour> the choices they make have eternal consequences> e.g. sheep and the goats/ live in hope that death is not the end> confident to live out their Christian faith not fearing and consequences'

4. Explain two teachings about God being just.

[5 marks]

Sheep and the goats > Jesus as the righteous judge. The Ten Commandments > 10 just rules to live by. 'Vengeance is mine.' 'God will judge his people.'

#### 5. 'Christians should not fear death.'

[12 marks]

## Some Christians agree:

Heaven is preferable to life now> BIBLE: "To live is Christ, to die is gain."> The afterlife is eternity with God> BIBLE Revelation's description of perfect heaven. No fear of judgement> sin has been forgiven> temple curtain torn in two> nothing to prevent us from entering heaven. Christians can be confident of Heaven because of the resurrection of Jesus.

## Some Christians disagree:

Natural to fear death> fear of the unknown> fear of no longer 'being'> fear of loss of control or of pain. Some Christians believe in purgatory and hell> not pleasant places. Jesus seemed fearful of death> Prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane. Sheep and the Goats> some people were surprised to be sent to hell.

POTENTIAL WEAK ARGUMENT: Jesus seemed fearful of death: he still accepted it and went to the cross