## PURPOSE OF FAMILIES

## Theme A Relationships & Families

1. Which of the following does not relate to bringing children into the 1. world?

[1 mark]

- C) reproduction A) recreation B) multiply D) procreation
- 2. Give two ways that families can provide stability for children.

[2 marks]

- Protect children/ have schedules/ keep traditions/ have meals together/ help with education/ support emotionally etc
- 3. Explain two Christian teachings about the purpose of families.

[4 marks]

- Provide stability (see above)/ protect children/ education children in faith> take to Sunday school, pray with, read Bible with etc
- Explain two religious beliefs about educating a child in a faith. 4.

[5 marks]

Christianity: expected of Christian families "he and his household believed and were baptised

Judaism: Jews are commanded to "take to heart these instructions... teach them to your children" Deuteronomy 6:6-7 Pesach story passed on interactively 4 questions etc

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5. 'Families do not do enough for elderly relatives in today's society.'

[12 marks]

#### Some agree:

In the UK we often send our elderly relatives to car homes this is far from the commandment to "honour our father and mother."

Young people today do not "respect their elders" as they should

The elderly are often the subject of jokes

Due to technology, there is a large gap of understanding between young family members and their elderly relatives who do not play computer games, use snapchat etc

"Anyone who does not provide for their relatives and especially their own householf has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever" 1 Timothy 5:8

### Some disagree:

Times have changed and it is no longer appropriate for elderly relatives to live in the family home with a nuclear family> many prefer their own space and sense of independence> this is "honouring them" appropriately

Every relationship and family is different and what is "enough" will vary from one family to the next.

The Bible is clear that when married, a man "leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife" it is not appropriate to continue the same relationship once married