VIOLENT PROTEST & TERRORISM

Theme D Religion, peace & conflict

1. Which of the following is a violent method of protest?

[1 mark]

A) a sit-in

- B) marching
- C) a riot
- D) a speech
- 2. Name two religious people who have protested.

[2 marks]

Martin Luther King Jr, Mahatma Gandhi, Rosa Parks, Malcolm X, William Wilberforce, Daniel, Meshach-Shadrach& Abednego, Guru Gobind Singh

3. Explain two religious beliefs about people who commit terrorist acts.

[4 marks]

They should be brought to justice and punished: The Christian God is a God of justice "I, The Lord, love justice" Isaiah 61:8

They are people with a grievance and should be listened to and helped "love your neighbour" "pray for those who persecute you"

4. Explain two aspects of the Civil Rights movement.

[5 marks]

Led by Martin Luther King Jr> A Baptist Minister> inspired by Jesus Non violent> "turn the other cheek"> e.g. marches, speeches, sit-ins Against racism, for civil rights> "there is neither Jew nor Greek..." Galatians 3:28 For Justice> "let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like an ever flowing stream" Amos 5:24

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5. 'Terrorism can never be justified.'

[12 marks]

Some Christians agree:

Often involves killing innocent civilians> creating a climate of fear> goes against "do not kill" and "love your neighbour"

People should be free from fear of terrorist attacks "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free" Galatians 5:1

People should use democratic, diplomatic process to achieve lasting change not terror Christians should follow the example of Gandhi and MLK> non violence> bring change Examples of terrorist attacks also appropriate, e.g. 9/11 7/7 Manchester concert bombing etc

Some Christians disagree:

Terrorism is often done because of a grievance> corrupt government> suppression of religious expression

If just the threat of violence and not actual violence

When Jesus protested he made a whip and drove people out of the temple, turning over tables etc> this could be considered a small-scale terrorist act