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The Scripture and the Creed

Answer three questions: One from each section and a third from any section.

Section A: The Christian Bible

1. Christians maintain that Sacred Scripture is the Word of God. What do we mean by biblical inspiration?
2. What is the message conveyed by Scripture in the way it speaks about Creation?
3. Describe three narratives in the Gospel of John where Jesus uses the 'I am' sayings and explain their significance.

Section B: The Creed

1. Jesus reveals God to mankind. Explain.
2. In what sense does the Church continue the mission of Christ?
3. The Christian tradition believes that the body, so clearly mortal, could rise to everlasting life. Explain.

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L-Iskrittura u l-Kredu

Wie eb tliet mistoqsijiet: Wa da minn kull taqsima u t-tielet wa da minn liema taqsima trid.

Taqsima A: Il-Bibbja Nisranija

1. L-Insara jsostnu li l-Iskrittura Mqaddsa hija l-Kelma ta' Alla. X'nifhmu b'inspirazzjoni biblika?
2. X'inhum l-messa imwassal bil-mod kif l-Iskrittura titkellem fuq il- olqien?
3. Iddeskrivi tliet narrattivi fil-Van elu ta' wanni fejn esù ju a l-kliem 'Jiena hu' u spjega s-sinjifikat tag hom.

Sezzjoni B : Il-Kredu

1. esù juri lil Alla lill-bniedem. Spjega.
2. F'liema sens il-Knisja tkompli l-missjoni ta' Kristu?
3. It-tradizzjoni Nisranija temmen li l- isem, li hu mortali bi - ar, jista' jqum g all- ajja ta' dejjem. Spjega.

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Liturgy and Christian Morality

Answer three questions: one from each section and a third from any section.

Section A: The Liturgy and the Sacraments

1. How can the Christian celebrate the Day of the Lord?
2. Explain the importance of the sacrament of Holy Orders for the life of the Church.
3. “The Eucharist is not a prize for the perfect, but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak” (Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*). Explain this statement.

Section B: Christian Morality

1. “The external deserts in the world are growing, because the internal deserts have become so vast. Therefore the earth’s treasures no longer serve to build God’s garden for all to live in, but they have been made to serve the powers of exploitation and destruction.” (Benedict XVI, Homily during Mass of the beginning of the Petrine Ministry, 2005). Explain how the environmental problem is a moral problem with respect to sustainable development.
2. “There are three forms of the virtue of chastity: the first is that of spouses, the second that of widows, and the third that of virgins. We do not praise any one of them to the exclusion of the others ... This is what makes for the richness of the discipline of the Church.” (St Ambrose, as quoted in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2349). What do we mean when we say that married people are called to live conjugal chastity?
3. “As a people, we face serious problems that are both political and moral. This has always been so and as Catholics we are called to participate in public life in a manner consistent with the mission of our Lord, a mission that He has called us to share.” (US Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility*). Discuss.

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Il-Litur ija u l-Moralità Nisranija

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Taqsima A: Il-Litur ija u s-Sagramenti

1. Kif jista' n-Nisrani ji elebra Jum il-Mulej?
2. Spjega l-importanza tas-sagrament tal-Ordni Sagri g all- ajja tal-Knisja.
3. "L-Ewkaristija mhix premju g all-perfetti, imma medi ina qawwija u ikel g ad-dg ajfa" (Papa Fran isku, *Il-Fer tal-Van elu*). Spjega din l-istqarrija.

Taqsima B: Il-Moralità Nisranija

1. "Id-de erti esterni fid-dinja qed jikbru, g ax id-de erti interni saru tant wiesg a. G alhekk it-te ori tal-art m'g adhomx iservu biex jibnu l- nien ta' Alla biex kul add jg ix fih, imma ntg amlu biex iservu l-qawwiet tal-esplojtazzjoni u l-qerda." (Benedittu XVI, Omelija waqt il-Quddiesa fil-bidu ta' Ministeru Petrin, 2005). Spjega kif il-problema tal-ambjent hija problema morali marbuta mal-i vilupp sostenibbli.
2. "Hemm tliet forom tal-virtù tal-kastità: l-ewwel hija dik tal-mi ew in, it-tieni dik tar-romol, u t-tielet dik tal-ver ni. A na ma nfa ru l-ebda wa da minnhom tant li neskludu lill-o rajn ... Dan li jwassal g ar-rikezza tad-dixxiplina tal-Knisja." (San Ambro , kif ikkwotat fil-*Kateki mu tal-Knisja Kattolika*, 2349). Xi nfissru meta ng idu li l-mi ew in huma msej a biex jg ixu l-kastità konjugali?
3. "B ala poplu, niffa jaw problem serji li huma kemm politi i u kemm morali. Dan minn dejjem kien hekk u b ala Kattoli i a na msej in biex nie du sehem fil- ajja pubblika b'mod konsistenti mal-missjoni ta' Sidna, missjoni li huwa sej ilna biex nie du sehem fiha." (Konferenza tal-Isqfijiet Kattoli i tal-Istati Uniti, *Niffurmaw Kuxxjenzi g al ittadinanza Fidila: Sej a g al Responsabilità Politika*). Iddiskuti.