

Queensland Theological College

NT502 The Early New Testament Church – Day Class

Semester 2, 2018

FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE MASTER OF DIVINITY, GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF DIVINITY, AND
GRADUATE CERTIFICATE OF DIVINITY WITH THE AUSTRALIAN COLLEGE OF THEOLOGY

Time allowed: 2 hours, plus 10 minutes perusal time.

An unmarked English Bible is allowed.

This exam is worth 50% of the total marks for this unit.

**You must answer: THREE questions from Section A
TWO questions from Section B**

Section A (33.3% of Exam Paper)

*Students must answer 3 questions (about 330 words for each - 13 minutes per question).
All questions in Section A are weighted equally.*

1. "Jesus' statement in Acts 1:8 is the best way to outline the structure of Acts" Discuss.
2. Were the Apostles right to elect Matthias, or should they have waited for Paul to be the 12th apostle?
3. How does Gamaliel's statement in Acts 5:34-39 set the stage for much that follows in Acts?
4. Outline the main theological points in Stephen's speech, and their significance for the message of the book of Acts?
5. Why does Luke allocate so many words to the Cornelius incident and Peter's explanation of it to the church in Jerusalem?
6. Why does Luke return to Jerusalem in Acts 12 and finish the Jerusalem phase of the mission that way, before Paul's journeys begin?
7. Why does Luke include 3 accounts of Paul's call by God?

Please turn the page for Section B.

Section B (66.6% of Exam Paper)

Students must answer 2 questions (about 1000 words for each - 40 minutes per question). All questions in Section B are weighted equally.

1. Why is knowledge or knowing an important concept in 1 John?
 2. How does Christ's death function as an example for believers' conduct in 1 Peter?
 3. How do Paul's theological arguments relate to Paul's exhortation not to submit to circumcision and his accusation that the agitators only want the Galatians to submit to circumcision in order to avoid persecution?
 4. What is Paul's purpose in his depiction of Jesus' Lordship in Colossians 1:15–23?
 5. Is it likely that the book of Revelation was written to Christians in Jerusalem during the persecutions of Nero? Give reasons for your answer.
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