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## Queens Regional Grades 7-8

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**DIRECTIONS:** Please read **ALL** directions given before answering any of the questions in this book. Following directions will help you answer correctly.

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# Section I

## Be Ready

**Direction:** For questions 1-10, check the best choice that answers the corresponding question. Check only **ONE** answer as multiple answers will result in **ZERO** credit.

- 1) What is our goal that we want to achieve at the end of our lives?
  - a. Reach eternal happiness and inherit eternal life with Christ and the Saints.
  - b. Be good with other people and don't hurt anyone.
  - c. Make money without stealing or cheating.
  - d. Have a lot of knowledge and be smart.
  
- 2) According to St. Paul's Epistle to Ephesians, we unite with the Lord through
  - a. Reading Christian books
  - b. A lot of fasting
  - c. Going to church regularly
  - d. The Eucharist.
  
- 3) I heard Your voice in the Garden, and I was ..... because I was ..... and I hid myself (Gen 3:10)
  - a. Sleep, Exhausted
  - b. Afraid, naked
  - c. Away, working
  - d. Happy, at the garden
  
- 4) God promised to come again "where He would come in His glory to ..... everyone according to their ....."
  - a. Take, age
  - b. Reward, deeds
  - c. Punish, acts
  - d. Reward, parents
  
- 5) The Council of ..... formulated the orthodox creed
  - a. Nestorian
  - b. Nicea
  - c. Ephesus
  - d. Ephesians
  
- 6) EGO EIMI is a Greek word that means .....
  - a. He is
  - b. I am (
  - c. He's God
  - d. God
  
- 7) The Fathers of the Church taught us "that the Old Testament is ..... in the New, and the New Testament is ..... in the Old Testament"
  - a. Not/ Not
  - b. Revealed/ Hidden
  - c. Doesn't belong / Doesn't belong
  - d. Understandable/ hard to understand

- 8) Our church takes pride, through the grace of God, in having presented many ..... to Christianity who helped present the Orthodox faith.
- a. Martyrs
  - b. Saints
  - c. Theologians
  - d. New Generation
- 9) The Coptic Church is a traditional Church that believes that:
- a. Some of the church doctrines are biblical.
  - b. All the church doctrines are biblical.
  - c. Most of the church doctrines are biblical.
  - d. None of the church doctrines are biblical.
- 10) If the goal of the First Coming of the Lord was Salvation, then the goal of the Second Coming is
- a. Wash our sins
  - b. Carry our sins
  - c. Communion
  - d. Judgment

**Direction:** For question 11 write, down your answer on the lines below.

**11) What are the three questions I should ask myself before taking a decision?**

1. **Is this decision appropriate for me as the son/daughter of God?** .....
- .....
- .....
2. **Is this decision constructive to my life, my family, church, and country?** .....
- .....
- .....
3. **Is taking this decision going to make me a humiliated slave to things such as smoking, drugs and lustful deeds?!** .....
- .....

**Direction:** For questions 12 and 13, write the **Biblical Verses** along with the reference on the lines below.

**12) Write a verse with reference to state that we should be ready at all time.**

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**13) State a verse with reference which proves that there is a positive impact on the giver.**

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| <b>Section I</b>                                 |                       |                   |                             |
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## Section II

### Turn and Come Back Quickly: The Book of Judges

**Direction:** For questions 14-23, check the best choice that answers the corresponding question. Check only **ONE** answer as multiple answers will result in **ZERO** credit.

14) Who is the Author of the Book of Judges?

- a. Moses the prophet
- b. Joshua
- c. Samuel the prophet
- d. Gideon

15) The book of Judges starts after which event?

- a. The death of Joshua
- b. The death of Samuel the prophet
- c. The birth of Joshua
- d. The birth of Samuel the Prophet

16) Complete the following sentence: \_\_\_ judges were mentioned in the Holy Bible, \_\_\_ of which were mentioned in the Book of Judges.

- a. 20, 14
- b. 18, 14
- c. 16, 14
- d. 14, 12

17) Which Land did the Lord promise the Israelites?

- a. Palestine
- b. Jordan
- c. Canaan
- d. A and C

18) Adoni Bezek cut off the thumbs and big toes of the kings he defeated so that they would not be able to hold the weapons of war later on. Who does he symbolize and how?

- a. He symbolizes Christ who punishes people that fall in sin.
- b. He symbolizes Satan who attracts people with attractive sins and cuts off their ability to fight back by isolating them from the Church community.
- c. A and B.
- d. None of the above.

19) Why did the Lord command the Israelites to expel the foreign people from among them?

- a. To prevent the Israelites from learning evil practices.
- b. The Lord didn't like the foreign people.
- c. The Lord didn't want them to marry foreign people.
- d. A and C

20) Who defeated the Philistines with an ox goad?

- a. Othniel
- b. Ehud
- c. Shamgar (P.25)
- d. Gideon

21) How killed Sisera after he fled from the battle?

- a. Deborah
- b. Barak
- c. Jael
- d. Baal

22) Which tribe was Gideon from?

- a. Judah
- b. Naphtali
- c. Levi
- d. Manasseh

23) Gideon erected an altar for the Lord called

- a. "Jehovah Shallum" meaning, House of God.
- b. "Beth- El" meaning, House of God.
- c. "Jehovah Shallum" meaning, The Lord is peace
- d. "Beth-El" meaning the Lord is peace

**Direction:** For question 24, write down your answer on the lines below.

**24) What was the sign Gideon asked from the Lord before he went to war and what does it symbolize?**

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**Direction:** For questions 25 and 26, write the Biblical Verses along with the reference on the lines below.

**25) What did Deborah tell Barak to encourage him before the war against Sisera? Write the verse.**



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26) State the verse that explains why Gideon thought he would not live when he saw the Lord face to face.

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### Section III

## Be Ready to Unite with God

**Direction:** For questions 27-36 check the best choice that answers the corresponding question. Check only **ONE** answer as multiple answers will result in **ZERO** credit.

27) Which Coptic month do we learn about the Love of God the Father?

- a. Kiahk.
- b. Tuba.
- c. Tout.
- d. Mesra.

28) Abib, where we celebrate the Feast of the Apostles, is the month in which we focus on what?

- a. The Second coming of Christ.
- b. The help our Savior provided to his Holy Apostles.
- c. Our Saviors care for His Church.
- d. The Grace of the Only Begotten Son.

29) What is the Synaxarium?

- a. Saint Paul's letters.
- b. Another word for Apocalypse.
- c. Lives of the Saints.
- d. Meaning of the Trinity.

30) What do the Sundays of the last Coptic month focus on? (P.40)

- a. The life of Christ.
- b. The Resurrection.
- c. The work of the Holy Spirit.
- d. Signs on the Second Coming of Christ.

31) What are the two types of readings?

- a. Sunday and weekday readings.
- b. Saturday and Sunday readings.
- c. Morning and nighttime readings.
- d. Sunrise and sunset readings.

32) What do the Sunday readings for the shortest month teach us about?

- a. The crucifixion.
- b. The incarnation.
- c. The resurrection.
- d. The second coming.

33) Where is our citizenship according to Philippians 3:20?

- a. Eternity.
- b. Heaven.
- c. Salvation.
- d. Earth.

34) The weekday readings are based on what?

- a. The Synaxarium.
- b. The stars.
- c. The Pauline Epistles.
- d. The book of Acts.
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35) Which liturgy Gospel do we read when we commemorate St. Mary?

- a. St. Mary at the wedding of Cana of Galilee.
- b. St. Mary visiting St. Elizabeth.
- c. Jesus being born in a manger.
- d. St. Mary witnessing the suffering of Christ.

36) What is the reference for the verse: "All things are lawful for me, but not all things are helpful; all things are lawful for me, but not all things edify."

- a. Philippians 3:20.
- b. Ephesians 2:10.
- c. 1 Corinthians 10:23
- d. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

**Direction:** For question 37, write down your answer on the lines below.

**37) Name all the readings in the Liturgy starting from Vespers.**

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| 3 | _____ | 4  | _____ |
| 5 | _____ | 6  | _____ |
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**Direction:** For question 38 and 39, write the Biblical Verses along with the reference on the lines below.

**38) The Church has put forth the readings in the Liturgy for sanctifying our lives. State a verse to support that.**

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**39) The Church has put forth these readings in the Liturgy for leading us in our lives/daily behavior. State a verse to support that.**

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| <b>Section III</b>                               |                       |                   |                             |
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## Section IV

# Be Ready and Carry the Whole Armor of God

**Direction:** For questions 40-49 check the best choice that answers the corresponding question. Check only **ONE** answer as multiple answers will result in **ZERO** credit.

40) The epistle to the Ephesians is a continuation of which Epistle?

- a. Epistle to Colossae.
- b. The epistle that talks about the body of Christ.
- c. Epistle to the Corinthians.
- d. A and B.

41) Where was the unity and the reconciliation with Christ manifested?

- a. When He was incarnated.
- b. When He was resurrected.
- c. Through His crucifixion.
- d. B and C.

42) Why were we created in Christ Jesus?

- a. To be reconciled.
- b. To be in unity with everyone and with God.
- c. To be ambassadors.
- d. For good works.

43) What is mandatory for the grace of God to work in us?

- a. To be sinless.
- b. To be righteous.
- c. To struggle and work tirelessly.
- d. To always attend church.

44) Why did the Jews resist St. Paul?

- a. Because he converted from Judaism to Christianity.
- b. Because he evangelized to the Gentiles.
- c. Because he disregarded them as the chosen people.
- d. Because he blamed them for crucifying Christ.

45) Why did St. Paul want the believers to be affirmed in love?

- a. God is love.
- b. To realize God's ultimate love for them.
- c. To be strengthened through the Holy Spirit.
- d. A and B.

46) Which of the following is included under the description of Christian behavior?

- a. Escaping from sin only.
- b. Living and being steadfast in the commandment in anger, haughtiness, prideful.
- c. Struggling to obtain virtues.
- d. A and C.

47) What allows us to be victorious by the ultimate weapon of God?

- a. Holy Mayroon Oil.
- b. The Word of God.
- c. Communion.
- d. True Confession and repentance.

48) Which of the following descriptions does NOT describe the whole armor of God?

- a. Complete, without weaknesses.
- b. Made out of iron.
- c. Has 5 symbolic weapons.
- d. B and C.

49) How do I put on the helmet of salvation?

- a. By partaking of holy sacraments.
- b. By believing that Jesus Christ died for my sins.
- c. Comparing my belief and actions to the Word of God.
- d. By standing up for the weaker people.

**Direction:** For question 50, write down your answer on the lines below.

50) List the similarities and the differences between the wise and ignorant virgins. What do we learn from the wise virgins?

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**Direction:** For questions 51 and 52, write the Biblical Verses, along with the reference, on the lines below.

51) Please write the verse that describes how we should defend the faith?

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52) Please write the verse that describes how unity between Christian denominations could only be achieved by.

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| <b>Section IV</b>                                |                       |                   |                             |
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## Section V

### Be Ready with Your Measuring Device

**Direction:** For questions 53-62 check the best choice that answers the corresponding question. Check only **ONE** answer as multiple answers will result in **ZERO** credit.

- 53) According to Philippians 3:20 & Colossians 3:1, why must a Christians' actions be different?
- a. Their citizenship is in heaven and they aspire greater things.
  - b. Their role is to do good deeds to receive good earthly rewards.
  - c. They should *not* be different, they are of the world.
  - d. Their citizenship is the same as the world.
- 54) What is the role of Christians on earth?
- a. Live for themselves so they don't associate with the world.
  - b. Understand the purpose of living on earth, which is for the glorification of God.
  - c. Follow what other people do, so they can blend it.
  - d. To condemn the sinners on their evil action.
- 55) What does a Christian have to look forward to?
- a. Nothing.
  - b. Freedom.
  - c. Everlasting life.
  - d. Going to church.
- 56) Although Heaven is for everyone but not everyone will get to enjoy it because:
- a. The way that leads to heaven is far far away.
  - b. The way that leads to heaven is unknown.
  - c. The way which leads to heave is very costly.
  - d. It's narrowed the gate and difficult the way which leads to heaven.
- 57) The word "Orthodox" refers to \_\_\_\_\_ belief.
- a. Eternal.
  - b. Wavering.
  - c. Straight.
  - d. Unsteady.
- 58) What is the first thing you should do if an action is harmful to you or can control you?
- a. Share it on House Party.
  - b. Convince yourself you can handle it.
  - c. Ask a friend doing the action for their opinion.
  - d. Cut the relationship or action.



59) The second step one should do to measure himself in every action is:

- a. Cleanse any means of communication and access to the action.
- b. Clean your phone and computer with disinfecting wipes.
- c. Compare yourself to your friends.
- d. Ignore it, it was just one time.

60) The third, and continuing, step to measure yourself in every action is?

- a. Continue the action and hope God forgives you.
- b. Hide the action from your Father of Confession.
- c. Nothing, these are only small thoughts or actions.
- d. Be careful, even small thoughts can be tools used by the devil.

61) What is the prayer that is like an arrow prayer?

- a. "My Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, have mercy on me, help me and guide me".
- b. "My Lord Jesus Christ is the King, I am the prince".
- c. Thanksgiving prayer.
- d. Agpeya prayer.

62) What is one of the smartest ways the devil attacks each person?

- a. With your own thoughts and ideas.
- b. With swords and spears.
- c. With lectures and sermons
- d. With pleasant sounding cymbals.

**Direction:** For question 63, write down your answer on the lines below.

**63) What is the difference between absolute freedom and freedom as a Christian?**

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**Direction:** For questions 64 and 65, write the Biblical Verses along with the reference on the lines below.

**64) What verse explains how certain actions can enslave us or harm us?**

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| <b>Section V</b>                                 |                       |                   |                             |
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## Section VI

# Be Ready for Eternal Life

**Direction:** For questions 66-75 check the best choice that answers the corresponding question. Check only **ONE** answer as multiple answers will result in **ZERO** credit.

65) Which heaven does the paradise of joy lay?

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| a. The heaven.    | b. Second Heaven. |
| c. Secant Heaven. | d. Third heaven.  |

66) The whole city in heaven is built with?

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| a. Pure Silver. | b. Pure gold.      |
| c. Gemstones.   | d. Milk and honey. |

67) The city in heaven's foundation is made of?

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| a. Pure Silver. | b. Pure gold.      |
| c. Gemstones.   | d. Milk and honey. |

68) What is the best description of the city in heaven's dimensions?

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| a. Rounded on all sides to be a perfect sphere.    | b. Equal width and length to symbolize perfection.           |
| c. In the shape of a cross to be a perfect symbol. | d. One tall tower in the third heaven to show its greatness. |

69) What is found at the city in heaven's foundation?

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| a. Names of all the martyrs of the church. | b. Names of the twelve apostles.     |
| c. Names of the books of the Bible.        | d. Names of the popes of the church. |

70) The most important aspect of the city in heaven is?

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| a. We are midst our family and friends.                         | b. The midst of the city is a tall tower. |
| c. In the midst of the city is the name of the twelve apostles. | d. In the midst is our savior.            |

71) The ultimate nature of living in the city of God is?

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| a. Endless riches and gemstones. | b. Life of continual praise.                       |
| c. To receive God Himself.       | d. To meet all those who went to heaven before us. |

72) What will we be made of as we dwell in heaven with God?

- a. Of luminous bodies of light.
- b. Of luxurious bodies of gold.
- c. Of wax like candles of light.
- d. Of burning flames of light.

73) What will we not have in heaven?

- a. Light, continual praise, and happiness.
- b. Darkness, silence, and sorrows.
- c. Eternal life, beautiful voices, and light.
- d. Day & night, life of continual praise, earthly bodies.

74) Which of the following does **NOT** prove the joy of seeing and being with God?

- a. "I am My beloved's, and My beloved is mine." (Song of Solomon 6:3)
- b. "When I found the one I love. I held him and would not let him go." (Song of Solomon 3:4)
- c. "Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your Lord." (Matthew 25:21)
- d. "You cannot see My face, because man does not see Me and live." (Exodus 33:20)

**Direction:** For question 76, write down your answer on the lines below.

75) There are 6 basic points which upon them we will enter into Heaven. Mention four of them. **(P66, 67)**

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. \_\_\_\_\_

**Direction:** For questions 77 and 78 write the Biblical Verses along with the reference on the lines below

**76) What verse does St. Paul use to describe heaven?**

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**77) Write down the verse from the Gospel of St. Mathew that tell us that the gate is narrow.**

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| Section VI                               |                |            |                     |
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