

**THE DEPARTMENT OF DIVINITY -KISS**  
**CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION P245/2 -THE NEW TESTAMENT**  
**TOPICAL QUESTIONS**

**SECTION A [THE EARLY CHURCH]**

1. Discuss the major features / characteristics of the oral tradition/transmission of the gospel.
2. "Jesus' followers seemed to be active and organised after his ascension". Comment.
3. Comment on the way of life (activities) of the early church Christians.
4. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the oral transmission of the kerygma in the early church.
5. Explain the significance of the following practices during the Apostolic Age /early church.
  - (a) Baptism
  - (b) The Lord's Supper
6. Discuss the content of kerygma in the early church.
7. Assess the advantages and disadvantages of the kerygma during the early church.
8. In what ways has the kerygma benefited the church in the spread of the gospel today.
9. Justify the view that the current church / Christian activities are based on the message of the kerygma.
10. Discuss the basic ways the gospel was preserved before being committed into writing.
11. Examine how the gospel came to be written.
12. How did the oral gospel come to an end?
13. "It was inevitable for the gospel accounts to take long to compile. 'Discuss
14. "The end of the oral tradition was inevitable by AD.64, Discuss.
15. Examine the factors which made Jesus' Disciples take long to commit the Gospel to writing.
16. Account for the Eventual end of the oral transmission of the Gospel.

17. Examine the significance or importance of Jesus' resurrection in the early Church or Apostolic Church
18. Without Jesus' resurrection, Christians would have no Church" Discuss
19. Why was Jesus resurrection so in the early proclamation?
20. Explain the argument by the Christians maintaining that the resurrection of Jesus was a reality.
21. Discuss the New Testament evidence of Jesus' resurrection
22. Examine the ways the early Church conducted worship
23. Compare those ways of worship in the early Church different from ways of worship in the Church in Uganda today
24. Explain the ways (methods) the Good news (Gospel) was transmitted between AD. 33-AD.100
25. Discuss the ways through which Christians was spread in the early Church
26. Compare the methods of transmission Christian faith in the oral period with those in Uganda today
27. Compare the message preached by Jesus and that preached by his disciples after his ascension.
28. To what extent did the Holy Spirit influence the spread of the gospel in the early Church.
29. Discuss the role of the Holy Spirit in the church today.
30. Assess the effects of the Parousia on the early church during the first century.
31. Discuss the current Christian teaching about Parousia.
32. Assess the impact of persecution in the spread of the gospel in the early church.
33. In what ways do Christians face persecution today?
34. Examine the process that led to the formation of the New Testament canon.
35. Explain the criteria the New Testament writers used to select the books in the New Testament canon.
36. Why were some books rejected / left out in the composition of the New Testament canon.

37. Examine the factors which facilitated the fast spread of the Christian faith / gospel during the early church.
38. Examine the major obstacles met in the spread of the gospel in the early church.
39. How were those obstacles solved by the early Church.
40. Examine the problems Christians face in trying to spread the gospel in Uganda today.
41. To what extent did the early church Christians differ from the Pharisees?
42. How can one differentiate Christians from other people.
43. "It was easier and simpler to transmit the gospel in the apostolic age than today". Discuss.
44. "The growth of the apostolic church was essentially the work / role of the eye witnesses of Jesus." Discuss.

**N.B;** *Attempt any number(s) of your choice and present your work upon reporting to school.*

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