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Final Exam

# True or False (5 pts each)

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| **True of False** | **True** | **False** |
| 1. Even critics of the New Testament agree that the Four Gospels date to the first century AD. | * X |  |
| 1. Jewish people in the first-century expected that the Messiah would rise from the dead. |  | * X |
| 1. Even critics believe that the death, burial, resurrection, and appearances of Jesus were being taught as early as 2-3 years after Jesus’ death. | * X |  |
| 1. Jewish interpreters have always held that Isaiah 53 referred to the nation of Israel. |  | * X |
| 1. The decree to rebuild Jerusalem is found in Nehemiah 2. | * X |  |

# Multiple Choice (5 pts each)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **6:** What are some reasons that we know Jesus wasn’t a myth?

1. The Four Gospels date to the first century AD.
2. The manuscripts were accurately transmitted.
3. The New Testament authors were honest in their historical reportage.
4. All of the above.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **7:** What is one reason the Jesus wasn’t a menace?

1. Deceivers buckle under pressure.
2. Deceivers need a sufficient motive (e.g. money, power, sex).
3. A and B.

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| **8. What are TWO reasons the Jesus wasn’t mentally ill?** | | |
| ☐  It’s hard to believe the world was transformed by a delusional, narcissistic maniac. | ☐  Jesus was a rabbi. He couldn’t have been mentally ill in that religious culture. | ☐  The NT includes this accusation (Jn. 7:20; 10:20; Mt. 12:22-29; Mk. 3:21). |

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| **9. What passage dates from 2-3 years after the resurrection?** | | |
| ☐  1 Corinthians 15:3-8. | ☐  1 Corinthians 15:17-19. | ☐  1 Peter 2:21. |

# Scripture Memorization (5 pts each)

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| **10. “If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. 19 If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.”** | |
| ☐ 1 Corinthians 15:17-19 | ☐ Isaiah 46:10 |
| ☐ Proverbs 30:5-6 | ☐ Luke 24:44 |

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| **11. “Every word of God proves true. He is a shield to all who come to him for protection. 6 Do not add to his words, or he may rebuke you and expose you as a liar.”** | |
| ☐ 1 Corinthians 15:17-19 | ☐ Proverbs 30:5-6 |
| ☐ 1 Peter 2:21 | ☐ Luke 24:44 |

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| **12. “Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.”** | |
| ☐ Proverbs 30:5-6 | ☐ Isaiah 46:10 |
| ☐ 1 Peter 2:21 | ☐ Luke 24:44 |

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| **13. Write down a memory verse that responds to this statement: “Many religions contain predictive prophecy.”** |
| (Isa. 46:10) Only I can tell you the future before it even happens. Everything I plan will come to pass, for I do whatever I wish. |

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| **14. Write down a verse that responds to this statement: “Jesus never claimed that the Old Testament made predictions about him.”** |
| (Lk. 24:44) Jesus said, “When I was with you before, I told you that everything written about me in the law of Moses and the prophets and in the Psalms must be fulfilled.” |

# Short Answer (10 pts each)

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| **15. Name TWO reasons that the Jewish calendar used 360-day years.** |
| *[Any of these answers would receive full credit.]*  (1) Religiously: New moon calendar.  (2) Historical: Genesis 8:3-4.  (3) Prophetically: Revelation 11:2-3  (4) Culturally: Egyptians, Romans, Babylonians |

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| **16. Name TWO reasons that Jesus (or the disciples) did NOT self-fulfill Psalm 22, Isaiah 53, or Daniel?** |
| *[Any of these answers would receive full credit.]*  (1) This shows that these passages do sound like Jesus. (This is a huge admission!)  (2) Crucifixion was not in Jesus’ self-interest!  (3) No one expected a crucified Messiah before Jesus lived.  (4) Jesus’ closest disciples paid the ultimate price for this.  (5) They couldn’t have self-fulfilled the worldwide impact. |

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| **17. Give one reason Psalm 22:16 says “pierced,” not “like a lion.”** |
| (1) The oldest Jewish translation says “pierced.”  (2) The oldest Hebrew copy says “pierced.”  (3) Pierced makes grammatical sense. |

# Bonus Question (5 PTS)

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| **18. Give THREE reasons for thinking that Isaiah’s Suffering Servant is NOT referring to the nation of Israel?** |
| #1. Historical problem: Jewish rabbis rejected the national interpretation for 1,000 years.  #2. Interpretive problems: After Isaiah 49:6, the Servant doesn’t refer to the nation of Israel.  #3. Theological problem: God promised to bless Israel if they were righteous, and curse the nation if they were unrighteous (Leviticus 26; Deuteronomy 28). |