



**REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF IRELAND
COMMITTEE ON THE INSTRUCTION OF THE YOUNG**

**PROGRAMME
OF
LESSONS
FOR
2010**

ANNUAL EXAMINATION, 2010

Written examination papers for Junior, Intermediate and Senior Courses will be provided for an examination to be held on or around Saturday 11th December 2010. The local Session of each congregation is encouraged to mark the exams done by the pupils from the congregation and award prizes accordingly. The Committee will, however, continue to mark any completed papers returned to it before Friday 7th January 2011.

Scripture: Portions selected from the Programme for the Examination will be sent to Sabbath School Superintendents during the year. Lessons for Primary, Junior, Intermediate and Senior are published by the Committee. The examination will be based on the Scripture passage and the pupils' worksheet on that lesson.

Psalms: Sabbath Schools may choose to memorise the version of the Psalms which they prefer.

Catechism: Sabbath Schools may use either of the versions of the Shorter Catechism listed below.

BOOKS

Copies of the undermentioned Prescribed Books can be obtained from the Covenanter Bookshop, 37 Knockbracken Road, Carryduff, Belfast, BT8 6SE. Telephone (028) 9081 4110.

"In Remembrance of Me"

The Shorter Catechism, with Comments by Rev. R. Lawson

The Westminster Shorter Catechism in Modern English

Lesson books for Teachers and Pupils are obtainable, while supplies last. Illustrated versions of the Psalms for Beginners, Primaries and Juniors are available.

Lessons for Beginners are published by Go Teach Publications. The adoption of these materials to provide notes for Scripture Lessons does not imply approval of all statements in the materials.

Further information about courses etc. can be obtained from the Convenor,
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BEGINNERS A
Under 5 years on 1st July 2010

Psalm: 40:1-4

Child's Catechism: 30-45 (Historical)

Lessons: See under Beginners B

BEGINNERS B
Under 7 years on 1st July 2010

Psalms: 1; 40 : 1-4

Child's Catechism: 30-45 (Historical)

Memory Verse: John 10:11

Lessons: "Go Teach" Beginners Books, January-December 2010

For programme of lessons and Scripture passages see list in Go Teach material.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS
NO AGE LIMIT

SCRIPTURE: *The Book of Leviticus*

PROJECT TITLES: Members of Bible Classes and others of 18 years and over (no age limit) are invited to submit a project on the following:

God's will for our lives is our sanctification. Discuss this in the light of the holiness teaching in Leviticus.

The project should be approximately 2,000 words in length.
It should reach the Convenor by 11th December 2010.

The Committee will arrange to have it read and considered and it will be returned with the reader's comments.

PRIMARY COURSE

Under 10 on 1st July 2010

Psalms: 8; 43:3-5; 63:1-5 (SMV) or 63:1-4 (21st Century Edition)

Child's Catechism: 46-85 (Historical)

Memory Verses : Ecclesiastes 12:1; John 14:6

Lessons - Primary Book 1

Theme - God's Word

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| 1 | God speaks through what He has made | Genesis 1 and 2 |
| 2 | God's Word tells about sin | Genesis 3 |
| 3 | God's Word tells me how to love and obey Him | Exodus 19 and 20 |
| 4 | God's Word tells me how to come to Him | Leviticus 16 : 1-22 |
| 5 | God's Law - Saul | I Samuel 15 |
| 6 | Learning God's Word - Ezra teaches | Nehemiah 8 |
| 7 | Receiving God's Word - Parable of the Sower | Matthew 13:1-23 |
| 8 | Loving God's Word - Jesus in the Temple | Luke 2:32-52 |
| 9 | Believing God's Word - Man born blind | John 9 |

Theme - Loving the Saviour

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| 10 | Meeting the Saviour - John the Baptist | Matthew 3:1-17 |
| 11 | Belonging to the Saviour - Nicodemus | John 3:1-21; 7:45-53;
19:38-42 |
| 12 | Bringing others to the Saviour -
The Samaritan woman | John 4:1-26, 39-42 |
| 13 | Thanking the Saviour - The ten lepers | Luke 17:11-19 |
| 14 | Trusting the Saviour's power - The paralytic man | Luke 5:17-26 |
| 15 | The Saviour finds a sinner - Zacchaeus | Luke 19:1-10 |
| 16 | A good example - Mary of Bethany | Luke 10:38-42;
Mark 14:1-9 |
| 17 | Willing to work for Jesus - Four fishermen | Matthew 4:18-22 |
| 18 | The Saviour gives his life - The Crucifixion | Matthew 27:1-38 |

Theme - Learning to obey God

19	Obedience brings joy	Joshua 7:1-8:29
20	Using God's gifts	I Kings 3
21	Obedience is trusting God	I Kings 17
22	Speaking for God	I Kings 18
23	Obeying God when it hurts	Jeremiah 26
24	Obeying God by being pure	Daniel 1
25	Obeying God completely	Daniel 3
26	Obedience is knowing that God rules the world - Daniel	Daniel 5

Theme - Learning to know God's Son

27	Zacharias believes by faith	Luke 1:5-25, 57-80
28	Knowing who God's Son is	Luke 1:26-56; 2:1-7
29	The joy of knowing God's Son	Luke 2:8-20
30	Jesus was a little child	Luke 2:39-52
31	Jesus loves children	Matthew 19:13-15
32	Jesus understands children's temptation	Matthew 4:1-11
33	Trusting Jesus' power over sin	Matthew 8: 28-34
34	Trusting Jesus' power over sickness	John 5:1-16
35	Trusting Jesus for life	Matthew 9:18-26
36	Trusting Jesus' power over all things	Matthew 8:23-27

JUNIOR COURSE

Under 13 years on 1st July 2010

Psalms: 15; 124; 145:9-18 (SMV) or 145A:7-11 (21st Century Edition)

Shorter Catechism: Questions 1-12

Memory Work: Genesis 1:27-28; Genesis 2:7; Revelation 4:11

Lessons - Junior Book 1

Theme - Studies in the Shorter Catechism

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| 1 | The reason for man's existence - Q. 1 | Psalm 19:1; 73:26; Daniel 3;
John 17:4; 1Corinthians 10:31;
Revelation 7:15-17; 21:4 |
| 2 | The Bible - God's rule for mankind - Q.2 | Psalm 119:34, 105;
2 Timothy 3:16,17 |
| 3 | The Bible - its principal message - Q. 3 | Micah 6:8; John 5:39;
John 20:30,31 |

Theme - Studies in the Psalms

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| 4 | God's people rejoice in His protection | Psalm 89:13-18 |
| 5 | God will save His people | Psalm 124 |
| 6 | God sees everything | Psalm 139 |

Theme - Jesus teaches us how to be a Christian

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| 7 | Jesus describes how to become a Christian | John 3:1-21 |
| 8 | Jesus demonstrates how we can be freed from the power of sin | Luke 8:26-39 |
| 9 | Jesus shows us how our lives are changed when we accept Christ | Luke 19 : 1-10 |
| 10 | The characteristics of a Christian | Matthew 5:1-12 |
| 11 | Jesus tells us the importance of depending on God alone | Matthew 6:24-34 |
| 12 | Jesus indicates God's joy when a sinner repents | Luke 15 |
| 13 | Jesus shows us what it means to be a good neighbour | Luke 10 : 25-37 |
| 14 | Jesus teaches us about Christian service | Matthew 25 : 14-30 |

Theme - Some Studies in Genesis

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| 15 Sodom and Gomorrah | Genesis 18:16-19:29 |
| 16 A wife for Isaac | Genesis 24 |
| 17 Jacob receives his father's blessing by deceit | Genesis 25:19-34; 27 |
| 18 Joseph and his family | Genesis 37; 50:20 |

Theme - Studies in the Shorter Catechism

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| 19 What is God? - Q. 4 | Exodus 3:14; Job 11:7-9;
Malachi 3:6; John 4:24;
Revelation 4:8 |
| 20 The doctrine of the Trinity - part 1 - Q. 5 | I Kings 8:22-30; I Kings 18;
Isaiah 14:12-15, 24-27; Daniel 2 |
| 21 The doctrine of the Trinity - part 2 - Q. 6 | Genesis 1:26-27;
Matthew 3:13-17; 28:19;
Luke 1:26-35; II Cor. 13:14;
Phil. 2:6; I John 5:7 |

Theme - Studies in the Psalms

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| 22 The characteristics of a child of God | Psalms 15 |
| 23 A prayer for divine guidance | Psalms 119:33-40 |
| 24 Praising God | Psalms 145 |

Theme - God's dealings with His people Israel

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| 25 God's promise to Abraham | Genesis 11:27-32; 12:1-5;
Hebrews 11:8-10 |
| 26 God fulfills His promises in His time | Genesis 15:1-6; 18:9-15; 21:1-8 |
| 27 God tests Abraham and blesses him | Genesis 22:1-19 |
| 28 God brings Jacob and Esau together | Genesis 31:3; 32:1-23; 33:1-20 |
| 29 God provides during famine | Genesis 46:26-34; 47:1-13, 27,28 |
| 30 God sees His people suffering | Exodus 1:7-14; 2:23-25; 3:7-10 |
| 31 God delivers from the Egyptians | Exodus 6: 1-8; 12: 21-40 |
| 32 God feeds His people | Exodus 15:22-27; 16 |
| 33 God protects from enemies | Exodus 17:8-16 |
| 34 God punishes disobedience | Numbers 13 and 14 |
| 35 God shows mercy to those who repent | Numbers 21:4-9 |
| 36 God leads to the Promised Land | Joshua 3 and 4 |

INTERMEDIATE COURSE

Under 16 years on 1st July, 2010

- Psalms:** 16:8-11; “The Lord continually...pleasures evermore” (21st CE)
“Before me still...pleasures evermore” (SMV)
32:1-5; “How blessed...the iniquity” (21st CE)
“O blessed...th’iniquity” (SMV)
45:1-7; “My heart...gladness poured” (21st CE)
45:1-7; “My heart...anointed thee” (SMV)
62A:5-8; “My soul...refuge high” (21st CE)
“My soul...refuge high” (SMV)

Shorter Catechism: Questions 98-107

Memory Work: Philippians 4:6; I John 1:9; Revelation 4:11

Lessons : Intermediate Course Book 1

Theme - Studies in the Psalms

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| 1 | The prospects of the believer | Psalms 16:8-11 |
| 2 | The joy of forgiveness | Psalms 32:1-5 |

Theme - God makes a Covenant

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| 3 | Abraham: Friend of God, Father of believers | Genesis 17:1-14 |
| 4 | The birth of Isaac | Genesis 21:1-7 |
| 5 | God speaks to Jacob | Genesis 28:10-22 |
| 6 | God prepares Joseph and uses him
to protect His people | Genesis 37:10-28; 39:1-22;
40:16-23; 41:14-40; 50:20 |
| 7 | Passover: saved by a lamb | Exodus 11:1 - 12:30 |
| 8 | The Red Sea: saved from a powerful enemy | Exodus 13:17-14:31 |

Theme - Studies in the Psalms

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| 9 | Kingly stature | Psalms 45:1-7 |
| 10 | Confidence in God | Psalms 62:5-8 |

Theme - Life in Christ's Kingdom

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| 11 | A new kind of life | Romans 8:1-17 |
| 12 | God's plan for the Christian | Romans 8:28-39 |
| 13 | Responding to God's plan | Romans 12:1-2 |

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| 14 All one but different | Romans 12:3-8 |
| 15 Practical Christian love | Romans 12:9-21 |

Theme - Studies in the Shorter Catechism

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| 16 Prayer - Q. 98, 99 | Daniel 9:4; Matthew 6:9;
John 16:23; Philippians 4:6 |
| 17 The preface of the Lord's Prayer - Q. 100 | Psalms 145:3; Romans 8:15;
Ephesians 6:18; 1 John 3:1-2 |
| 18 The first petition - Q. 101 | Exodus 3: 3-15; Rev. 4:11 |
| 19 The second petition - Q. 102 | Romans 10:1-2; Rev. 22:20 |
| 20 The third petition - Q. 103 | Psalms 103:20; 119:34-36;
Matthew 26:39; Job 1:21 |

Theme - God builds His Covenant nation

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| 21 The Law is given | Exodus 19; 20:1-21 |
| 22 Israel sins - Moses mediates | Exodus 32 |
| 23 The Day of Atonement | Leviticus 16 |
| 24 The Covenant People disciplined | Numbers 11; 13:1-14, 45 |
| 25 Entering the Promised Land | Joshua 1:1-9; 3:1-17 |

Theme - God sends His Covenant King

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| 26 Who is the Covenant King? | Matthew 1 |
| 27 The King upsets man's standards of values
by his revolutionary laws | Matthew 5:1-26, 38-48 |
| 28 The King's radical ideas about enjoying life | Matthew 6:19-34 |
| 29 The power of the King | Matthew 8:1-17, 23-24 |
| 30 Responses to the Message of the King | Matthew 13:1-23 |
| 31 An astonishing foundation for the Kingdom | Matthew 26 and 27 |
| 32 The King rises victorious | Matthew 28 |

Theme - Studies in the Shorter Catechism

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| 33 The fourth petition - Q. 104 | Proverbs 30: 8 |
| 34 The fifth petition - Q. 105 | Ps. 51:1; 66:18; Matt. 6: 14, 15 |
| 35 The sixth petition - Q. 106 | Ps. 19:13; Matthew 26:41;
1 Cor. 10:13; Ephesians 6:13 |
| 36 The conclusion of the Lord's Prayer - Q. 107 | 1 Chronicles 29:11-13;
Daniel 9:18,19; Rev. 4:11 |

SENIOR COURSE

Under 19 years on 1st July, 2010

Psalm: 139 (see lesson 1 for comment)

Shorter Catechism: Questions 67 - 81

(edition by Roderick Lawson recommended)

In Remembrance of Me: Chapters 1 and 2

Lessons - Senior Book 1

Theme - Studies in the Psalms

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| 1 | The omniscience, omnipresence
and omnipotence of God | Psalm 139 |
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Theme - Studies in the Shorter Catechism

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| 2 | The Sixth Commandment - Qs. 67- 69 | Genesis 9:1-7;
Exodus 20:13; 21:28-30
Numbers 35:9-34;
Deuteronomy 22:8;
Matthew 5: 21,22 |
| 3 | The Seventh Commandment (2) - Qs. 70-72 | Exodus 20:14;
2 Samuel 11:1-5,14-17; 12:1-14;
Malachi 2:14-16;
Matthew 5:26-32; 19:3-9;
1 Corinthians 6:9-20;
Ephesians 5:3-7 |
| 4 | The Eighth Commandment (1) - Qs. 73-75 | Exodus 20:15; 22:1-17;
Leviticus 6:2-5;
Amos 8:4-6; Romans 13: 6 |
| 5 | The Eighth Commandment (2) - Q. 74 | Ephesians 4:28; 1 Timothy 5: 8 |
| 6 | The Ninth Commandment (1) - Qs. 76,77 | Genesis 9:20-27; Exodus 20:16;
Proverbs 14:5; 1 Peter 3:16;
3 John 12 |
| 7 | The Ninth Commandment (2) - Q. 78 | Leviticus 19:16; Psalm 15:3;
Job 1:6-11; Mark 14:55-59;
Romans 3:13 |
| 8 | The Tenth Commandment (1) - Q. 79,80 | Exodus 20:17; Romans 12:15;
1 Corinthians 10:24;
Hebrews 13:5 |

- 9 The Tenth Commandment (2) - Q. 81 Luke 18:18-30; Romans 7:7-10;
1 Corinthians 10:10;
Galatians 3: 24; James 3: 16;
1 Peter 2:1

Theme - The Person and Work of Jesus Christ

- 10 The Word of God John 1:1-18
11 The Son of Man Daniel 7:13,14; Matthew 8:20;
Mark 2:9,10; 10:45; John 3:13
12 The Son of God Hebrews 1:1-2:13
13 The One Mediator Hebrews 3:1-6; 7:22-8:13;
12:18-29
14 The Redeemer Galatians 4:4-7; 1 Peter 1:18-19;
Hebrews 9: 12
15 The King of kings Psalm 72; Revelation 19:11-21
16 The Bridegroom of the Church Ephesians 5:22-33;
1 Peter 2:1-10;
Revelation 19:7-8; 21:2

Theme - A Complete Salvation

- 17 Why did Christ die? Romans 3:10-26
18 The way to heaven John 3:1-21; Acts 16:30-31
19 For whom did Christ die? Matthew 1:21; Mark 10:45;
Ephesians 1:3-14; 5:25
20 The Effectual Call Romans 8:28-30
21 The new birth John 3:3-8; 1 John 5:1-5, 17-21
22 Repent and believe Isaiah 55:7; Acts 2:38; 17:30
23 Justified by faith alone Romans 3-5
24 Adopted Galatians 3:26-4:7
25 Assurance 1 John 4:7-5: 5
26 The inner conflict and sanctification Romans 6:1-14; 7:18-25; 8:1-14
27 Kept to the end John 6:35-59
28 The glory that awaits us John 20:11-20; 1 Corinthians 15

Theme - Knowing who God is

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| 29 | The sovereignty of God | 1 Chronicles 29:10-13;
Psalm 115:1-3; 135:1-13;
Daniel 4:28-37 |
| 30 | The unchanging God | Numbers 23:19; Psalm 33:9-11;
102: 18-28; Malachi 3:1-6 |
| 31 | The holiness of God | Psalm 89:6,7; Isaiah 6: 1-5;
Habakkuk 1:12-13;
1 Peter 1:15-16; 1 John 1: 5 |
| 32 | The love of God | Deuteronomy 7:7-8; John 3:16;
Romans 8:32-39; 1 John 4:7-12 |
| 33 | The wrath of God | Psalm 2:9-12; 7:8-17;
John 3:31-36;
Romans 1:16-19; 2:5-16;
Hebrews 12:28,29 |
| 34 | Man separated from God | Isaiah 1:1-20; 59: 1-8 |
| 35 | The blessing of knowing God | Psalm 73 |
| 36 | Knowing God | John 3:1-8,16-17;
Ephesians 2:1-10 |