CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS STUDIES
JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS (JSS 3)
FIRST TERM

WEEKS TOPICS / CONTENTS

1. THE PROMISE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
   Acts. 1:6 – 11 and John 14:15 – 26
   I. Describe the Ascension of Jesus Christ
   II. State the Need for the Promise of the Holy Spirit
   III. Outline the Significance of the Promise of the Holy Spirit

2. THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - THE PENTECOST
   Acts 2:1 – 39
   I. Definition of Pentecost
   II. Narrate the Story of the Coming of the Holy Spirit
   III. State the Roles Played by the Holy Spirit in the Propagation of the Gospel

3. THE EFFECT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ON THE EARLY DISCIPLES
   Acts 3:10 – 11, 6: 4 – 15
   I. The Healing at the Beautiful Gate
   II. The Appointment of the Seven Deacons
   III. Narrate the Effects of the Holy Spirit on the Disciples

4. FELLOWSHIPPING IN THE EARLY CHURCH
   I. Narrate Peter’s Speech on the Pentecost Day
   II. Describe the Social and Religious Life in the Early Church

5. EARLY DAYS OF THE CHURCH - SHARING THINGS IN COMMON
   I. Outline the History of the Early Church
   II. Narrate the Story of Ananias and Sapphira (Acts 5:1 – 11)
   III. List the Names of the Seven Deacons and their Functions
6. PERSECUTION
   1 Peter 1:3 – 17 and 4:2 – 19
   I. Definition of Persecution
   II. List the Reasons for Persecution of Christians
   III. State Ways to Curb Persecution

7. THE CHURCH IN SAMARIA
   I. Narrate the Encounter of Philip with the Ethiopian Eunuch (Acts 8:26 – 32)
   II. Highlight the Activities of the Disciples at Lydia and Joppa (Acts 9:36 – 43)

8. THE CHURCH IN CAESAREA
   Acts 10:1 – 48
   I. Narrate the story of the conversion of Cornelius
      • Cornelius calls for Peter
      • Peter’s Vision
      • Peter at Cornelius’ House
   II. State the Significance of Cornelius Conversion

9. PERSECUTION OF THE EARLY CHURCH BELIEVERS
   I. Arrest of Peter and John (Acts 4:1 – 31)
   II. Martyrdom of Stephen (Acts 6:8 and 7:1 – 60)
   III. State the Reasons for the Arrest of the Early Apostles
   IV. Narrate the Story of Stephen

10. PERSECUTION OF THE EARLY CHURCH BELIEVERS (Continuation)
   I. Persecution of the Church by Saul (Acts 8:1 – 3 and 9:1 – 30)
   II. The killing of James. Acts 12:1 – 8
   III. Narrate the Story of Persecution in the Early Church
   IV. Highlight the Various Persecution of the Early Apostles
   V. State the Moral Lessons of Apostles Persecution

11. REVISION

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SECOND TERM

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1. THE SPREAD OF THE GOSPEL OUTSIDE PALESTINE - THE ROMAN EMPIRE
   Matthew 28:18 – 20
   I. Describe the Roman Empire
   II. List the Factors that Added the Spread of the Gospel in the Roman Empire

2. THE CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY JOURNEY
   Acts. 13:1 – 12
   I. Setting Apart of Barnabas and Saul
   II. Paul at Paphos
   III. Narrate the Story of How Paul and Barnabas were sent on the First Missionary
   IV. Narrate Paul’s Encounter with Elymas of Paphos.

3. THE JOURNEY FROM ANTIOCH IN PISIDIA TO DERBE
   I. Narrate the Missionary Activities of Paul and Barnabas at Iconium And Lystra
      • Paul at Iconium (Acts 14:1 – 7)
      • Paul and Barnabas at Lystra (Acts 14:8 – 20)
      • Paul and Barnabas to Antioch in Syria (Acts 14:21 – 28)
   II. State the Importance of the First Missionary Journey

4. CONTROVERSIES AMONG THE EARLY CHRISTIANS
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   I. Definition of Controversy
   II. State Reasons for Controversies in the Early Church
   III. Narrate the Story of the Controversy in Antioch
5. CONTROVERSY IN CORINTH CHURCH
   Acts 16:1 – 6 and 1 Corinthians 1:10 – 15
   I. State the Main Controversy in the Church at Corinth
   II. Outline the Steps Taken by Paul to Resolve the Controversy

6. THE JERUSALEM COUNCIL
   Acts 15:22 – 35
   I. Highlight the Composition of the Jerusalem Council
   II. State the Contributions of Peter and Paul at the Jerusalem Council
   III. List the Resolution of the Jerusalem Council

7. CONFLICT IN THE SOCIETY
   I. Definition of Conflict
   II. State the causes of conflict in the society.
   III. Outline How Conflicts can be Resolved in the Society

8. FURTHER SPREAD OF THE CHURCH - PAUL AT PHILIPPI
   Acts 16:11 – 34
   I. List Places that Paul visited in the Second Missionary Journey
   II. Narrate the Encounter of Paul at Philippi

9. PAUL’S IMPRISONMENT AT PHILIPPI
   Acts 16:35 – 40
   I. Narrate the Story of Paul’s Encounter with the Slave Girl at Philippi
   II. State Reasons for Paul’s Imprisonment

10. REVISION

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THIRD TERM

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   I. Narrate Paul’s Encounter with Governor Felix
   II. State Paul’s Defense before Felix.
   III. List Lessons from the Encounter of Paul with Felix

2. PAUL BEFORE FESTUS
   Acts 25:1 – 20
   I. Narrate the Trial of Paul before Festus
   II. State Moral Lessons from Paul’s Trial before Festus
   III. List Rights of a Citizen of a Country

3. PAUL BEFORE KING AGRIPPA
   Acts 25:22 – 32
   I. Narrate the Trial of Paul before King Agrippa
   II. State Paul’s Defense before Agrippa

4. THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH TODAY
   I. Give an Account of First Attempt to Establish Christianity in Nigeria
   II. Narrate How the Issue of Slave Trade was used to Establish Christianity in Nigeria

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