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CHAPTER 1 - CHURCH: THE PEOPLE CHOSEN BY GOD

1. The Lord promised Abraham that his descendants will be like

2. Which book of the Bible narrates the covenant between the Lord and Abraham ?

- 3. The promised land is
- 4. Who is the father of 12 tribes? What is his other name?a).....
- 5. How did Abraham respond to God's call? (P10/1)

6.	How did God described the land that he promised to Moses?
	a land
7.	Why did God call Mosses? (P11/1)

- 8. Where did God made a covenant with the people and Moses as their leader?
- 9. Explain Kahal or Ecclesia. (P12/2)

- 10. Which book in the Bible says about a new covenant and a new people of God?
- 11. Write two verses from the Bible that indicates that we, the Christians, are God's own people. (P13)

12. How did Jesus establish the new covenant? (P13/2)

- 13. What do the word Nazarani means? (P15)
- 14. How did the name Syro-Malabar Church form? (P15)

15. Write down five good deeds that you will do to remain as a chosen one in God's kingdom.

CHAPTER 2 - CHURCH: THE COMMUNITY OF THE REDEEMED

- 1. The two leaders of Israel who went to Pharaoh of Egypt to ask for liberation were
- a).....b).....
- 2. How many calamities God sent upon the Egyptians and why? (P16/1)

- 3. The word "Salvation" meaning in the two testaments:a).....
- 4. What does St. Paul say to show that all men are in need of salvation? (P17/4)

5. What is the experience of salvation? (P18/1)

6. Why do we say that obedience to the commandments is the condition for salvation? (P18/1)

7. Jesus is the saviour of the world. Explain. (P18/3)

8. How are sacraments and salvation are related? (P20/2)

9. What is meant by Mar Thomma Christians? (P21)

10. You knew from the lesson that receiving sacraments properly leads to salvation. Justify this statement in your own words.

CHAPTER 3 - CHURCH: THE COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS

1. When Jesus asked disciples at Caesarea Philippi "who he is", which are the names they said? And what did Peter say?

- 2. What is the word Jesus used to describe Peter to show that Peter is strong in faith?
- 3. Church is the community of those who believe and confess that Jesus is

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4. What do you mean by faith? (P23/1)

5. What did Peter told the people on the day of Pentecost when they asked "what shall we do"? (P23/1)

6. How is faith reflected in the lives of Abraham, our father in faith and Mary, the Mother of Jesus? (P23/2)

7. The five attributes of faith are: (P24)

8. The proclamation of the Gospel leads to faith. Explain. (P24)

- 9. Greek word Metanoia means
- 10. Jesus told his disciples to go into the world and preach the gospel. According to Jesus, to be saved, one should have two things:a).....
- 11. Explain the community dimension of Christian faith. (P25-26/3-1)

12. What is Oriental Syrian liturgy? Could you say any one tradition followed in our Church that is linked to Indian culture. (P27)

CHAPTER 4 - CHURCH: THE COMMUNITY LED BY THE SPIRIT

1. What changes you can observe in the disciples on the day of Pentecost? (P28)

2. How do we know that the early Church was led by the Holy Spirit? (P29/4)

3. Peter went to the house of who was a non-Jew and preached the word of God by the instruction from the Holy Spirit.

4. How does the Holy Spirit build up the Church? (P30/2)

5. What are the gifts of the Holy Spirit bestowed on the faithful? (P30/3)

6. Name the fruits of the Holy Spirit. (P30/4)

7. The Holy Spirit strengthens one person in faith. Explain with the example of St. Stephen. (P30/5)

8. How do we become the temples of the Holy Spirit? (P31/2)

9. What should we do that we may be led by the Spirit? (P31/3)

10. What is known as "Mar Thomma Margam"? (P33)

11. Match the following: (P31-32/4-1)

Baptism Anoint by Holy Oil Holy Eucharist and Communion Reconciliation Anointing of the Sick Holy Orders Holy Matrimony Receive Healing Priestly Ministries God's Children Gift to form faithful family Receive the Holy Spirit Get back Divine Life Preach the Gospel

12. List out few things that you would do to receive the gifts and fruits of the holy spirit in your life.

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CHAPTER 5 - CHURCH: THE BODY OF CHRIST

 St Paul was known as earlier and was travelling to to persecute Christians in Jerusalem when he was struck by a

- 2. The incident of lighting made Saul believe that is still alive.
- 3. How did St Paul get the insight that the Church is the body of Christ? Describe with Rom: 12: 4-5 and Col. 1: 18. (P35/2)

- 4. We members of the Church make the whose head is Jesus.
- 5. How does Jesus continue his constant presence in the Church? (P35/4)

6. How does the Holy Eucharist unite us to Jesus and to one another? (P35/4)

7. Name the Ministers in the Church God appointed, according to St Paul in 1 Cor. 12:28

8. How should we use the gifts given to us as members of the Church? (P36/3)

9. We cannot see Jesus apart from the Church nor can we see the Church apart from Jesus. Explain. (P36-37/4-1)

10. Mar Thomma Christians were led by

..... till the 17th Century.

11. Describe the role of the Arch deacon in our mother Church until the 17th century. (P38)

CHAPTER 6 - CHURCH: THE PRIESTLY PEOPLE

- 1. was anointed by Moses as the first Priest on the order of God.
- 2. What were the functions of the priesthood in the Old Testament? (P39/2)

- 3. The duties of the early priests are described in the Book of
- 4. Why did God liberate Israel from their slavery? (P40/2)

5. God told Moses on Mount Sinai; "You shall be to me anation.

- 6. The sacrifices offered by Aaron's family and that continued till the time of Jesus was incomplete because it could not
- 7. How does the Church, saved by the blood of Christ, become a priestly people and a worshipping community? (P41/1)

8. The Sacrifice of the Holy Qurbana is the highest form of worship: Explain.(P42/2)

9. As a priestly people of God in the New Testament, how are we to exercise our ministry of common priesthood? (P41/3)

- 10. In early days among the Mar Thomma Christians, the priestly candidates were trained by
- 11. According to St Paul and St Peter, we all are members of a royal priesthood by baptism. List out 5 things you can practice in your life to be true to that responsibility.

CHAPTER 7 - CHURCH: THE COMMUNITY OF PEOPLE WHO SHARE

1. By feeding a multitude with 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish Jesus teaches us to

..... our things among the needy.

2. Christian sharing is rooted in the life and teachings of Jesus. Explain. (P45/1-2)

- 3. What do John the Baptist says in Luke 3:11?
- 4. What was the life-style of the early Church? (P45/3)

5. Why there was no poverty among people in the early Church? (P46/1)

6. What are the teachings of the early Church on sharing? (P46/2)

7. It is the hope of resurrection that urges one to share: illustrate. (P46,47/4,1)

8. Sharing is the fundamental nature of the Church. Explain. (P47/3)

9. Mar Thomma Christians used to observe abstinence on all...... and throughout the year.

- 10. Which were the abstinences observed by the Mar Thomma christians? (P49) 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
 - 5.
- 11. From the lesson, you understand that sharing is a fundamental value of Christian life. List out five actions you will do from now in this regard.

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CHAPTER 8 - CHURCH: THE PROPHETIC PEOPLE

1.	. The Lord's call to Jeremiah was that he was appointed as a	
	even before he was formed in the womb.	
2.	Jeremiah was reluctant to accept God's call because	

3. Who is a prophet? What are his functions? (P51/1)

- 4. Prophets stands firm and bears witness to truth as they are led by
- 5. What do you understand when we speak of the prophetic function of the members of the Church? (P51/3)

6. Jesus said that when the Holy Spirit comes upon, you shall become a of him.

7. A prophet is called to be the light of the world and salt to the earth: illustrate. (P52/2)

As you are the light of the world it is to shed light of Christ on those who
 Write a short note on: A Christian is one who has to bear witness to truth. (P52/4)

10. How do the lay people fulfil their prophetic mission? (P53/3)

11. What was the effect of Latin jurisdiction over the Mar Thomma Christians in the early 17 th Century? (P54)

12. You know from this lesson that a Prophet is always a witness of truth and love. As you are chosen as part of the prophetic Church by baptism, Explain how do you meet this quality of the prophetic legacy. (Own words)

CHAPTER 9 - THE MISSIONARY CHURCH

1. The Church is missionary by her very nature. Explain.(P55/1)

- 2. Jesus was the first and he was sent by God to the world.
- 3. How does the Church perform her missionary function in three ways? (P56/2)

- 4. The apostles were courageous in their missionary work because they were filled with
 - 5. St. Thomas the apostle landed at
 - 6. St. Thomas became a martyr at in the year
 - 7. Name the christian communities established by St. Thomas in Kerala.

- 8. Portuguese missionaries came to India in the th Century with the navigator Vasco da Gama.
- 9. St. was a Jesuit priest who proclaimed Gospel in the western costs of India.

10. Every Christian is a missionary. Illustrate. (P59/2)

11. Name all the missionary dioceses of Syro-Malabar Church that are outside Kerala. (P58 & 59)

- 12. The synod of Diamper began on Archdiocese of the Mar Thomma Christians.
- 13. Explain in your own words how can you fulfil the duties as a young missionary at present.

CHAPTER 10 - THE PILGRIM CHURCH

- 1. Match the following: (P61)Pillar of CloudLand of CanaanMosesGod in the NightPillar of FireJourney to CanaanJoshuaGod in the DayForty yearsLater LeaderKingdom of GodFormer Leader
- 2. A pilgrimage is a towards a holy place on a place of significance.
- 3. What is the hope that gives meaning to Christian life? (P62/1)

4. How does the Christian life become a foretaste of life in heaven? (P62/2&P63)

5. According to the Old Testament, by death the soul returns to it's source, that is

- 6. The New Testament teaches that through death, we gain through Jesus Christ.
- 7. How is death a gain in St. Paul's view? (P63/3)

8. How can we help our departed faithful? (P65/2)

9. Explain individual judgement and final judgement. (P63/3&4)

10. The three states of salvation after death are:a)......b)......

11. Write three different verses from the Bible which indicate about heaven.

12. How and why did the Koonan Cross Oath took place? (P67)

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CHAPTER 11 - THE CHURCH IS ONE

1. Match the following:

Vine	Believers
Vinedresser	Apostles
Branches	All believers are one
Foundation of Church	God the Father
Jn. 17:21	Jesus the Son

- 2. The distinguishing mark of the early church was
- 3. What are the uniting factors that constitute the basis of the Church? Explain each of the factors. (P69)

1)

2)

3)

4. The Catholic church is the Fellowship of Individual Churches. Explain (P70/2)

- 5. Diversity among individual Churches adversely affect the unity of the Church. (True/False).
- 6. Which are the main liturgical traditions in the Catholic Church? (P70/4)
- 7. Explain the liturgical tradition that Syro-Malabar Church belong to.(P70/5)

8. On what basis are the individual Churches formed? (P70/3)

- 10. Write two verses from John: 17:20-26

11. What effect did the 'Koonan Cross Oath' create among the Mar Thomma Nazranies? Name two individuals and their effort to unite the Church.

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CHAPTER 12 - CHURCH IS HOLY

1.	1 Corinthians 1:2 says "	
2.	Romans 1: 7 says "	
		n.
3.	God said to Israel " You shall be holy, for I, the Lord,	
	"(Lev. 19:2)	
4.	How did God reveal his holiness to the prophet Isaiah; explain. (P73/1)	

- 5. What does St. Peter remind Christians in 1 Pet. 1:15?
- 6. Why do you say that the Church is Holy? (P74/2)

- St. Paul in Heb. 12: 14-15 teaches that without holiness,
 In the Old Testament, sanctification of the temple, the altar and the people were done by
 In the New Testament, Jesus purifies us through
 In Jn. 15:3 Jesus assures us that we are made clean by
- 11. How is reading the Word of God helping us in purifying ourselves? (2 Tim. 3:16-17)

- 12. St. Ephrem says that when we receive we are filled with the Holy Spirit and fire which sanctify us.
- 13. During the Holy Mass when the priest announces that the Holy Eucharist is for the holy, what response do the people affirm? (P76/2)
- 14. What are the means of sanctification in the Church? (P77/3)
- 15. How do the vocations become the means of holiness? (P77/2)

16. How do abstinence, prayer and fasting help us grow in holiness? (P76/5)

17. What was 'Padiyola' and what was it's significance? (P78)

CHAPTER 13 - THE CHURCH IS APOSTOLIC

- How does the faith experience of the apostles become the foundation of the Church? (P80/1)

4. To liberate Israel and lead them to the land of Canaan, God chose individuals for **different missions. They are:**

- 6. The Apostles were led by and preached the Word of God even though they knew that they will be persecuted and killed.
- 7. The Apostle who preached the Word of God in Persia and India was
- 8. Write a short note on the apostolicity of the Syro-Malabar Church? (P81/3)

11. The Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church now is12. What do you mean by the Primacy of the Pope? (P82/3)

13	appointed Peter as the first among the apostles.
14	. The Pope is also the Bishop of the diocese of
15	. When does the council of Bishops express itself in the Church? (P83/2)

16. How and when were the Latin and Mar Thomma Catholics separated? (P84)

17. Match the following: (P84)	
Pope Leo XIII in 1886	Kottayam Diocese for Knanaya Catholics
20th May 1887	Three Native bishops
28th July 1896	Trichur, Changanacherry & Ernakulam
Three Dioceses	Separate Heirarchy
1911	Kottayam and Trichur Vicariates

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18. Write a short note on how the Apostles build up the Church in the midst of adverse circumstances. (Own words)

CHAPTER 14 - THE CHURCH IS UNIVERSAL

1. What is meant by the Universality or Catholicity of the Church? (P85/1)

- 2. The Greek word formed the word 'Catholic' and that means
- 3. The Church includes all peoples and cultures: explain. (P85/2&3)

- 4. What is the teaching of St. John Damascene on the universality of the Church? (P86/4)
- 5. When is the Catholicity of the Church expressed? (P86/5 &87)

6. What is the purpose of the universal council of the Church? (P87/2)

- The Church being present universally becomes the path of for all people.
 The Catholicity of the Church becomes meaningful when we preserve both and traditions.
- 9. There had been universal councils taken place in the Church so far.
- 10. The universal councils can change wrong teachings and traditions. (True/False)
- 11. Name all the Dioceses and Archdioceses that existed in the Syro-Malabar Church between 1923 and 1956. (P88)

CHAPTER 15 - MARY, THE MOTHER AND MODEL OF THE CHURCH

- 1. At the cross, Jesus gave the disciple as a son for Mother Mary.
- 2. Write down Luke 11:28
- 3. What was the answer of Mary to the angel at the time of annunciation ? (Lk. 1:38)
- 4. What part did Mary play in the birth of the Church? (P90/2)

- 5. How is the Gospel proclaiming Mary who believed nothing is impossible for God? (Lk.1:45)
- 6. Explain, how Mary is the symbol and model of the Church? (P91/2)

7. What is the basis in Gospel for the Marian intercession? (P91/3&P92)

- Match the following: Marriage party at Cana Recitation of the rosary Pope John Paul II
 Forms of Marian Devotion Wednesday
 Fifteen days of abstinence
 Eight days of abstinence
- Yama Prarthana Mary's Nativity Feast of Assumption Rosary is an abridged form of the Gospel Abstinence and Marian festivals Marian Devotion 'Do what he says'
- 9. Write a short note on the Marian Devotion of the Mar Thomma Nazranies. (P92/5)

10. Which are the important feasts of Mary (with dates)? (P93)

- 11. Syro-Malabar Church was raised to the status of an Church in 1992.
- 12. Syro-Malabar Bishop of the Eparchy of Great Britain is Mar
- 13. Write a note on an adorable quality that you see in Mother Mary. (own words)