

 **Early Christianity**  
**Exam A**

**ESSAY QUESTIONS**

1. What significant changes occurred in the Roman Empire during the century leading up to Christ? (10 pts.)

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2. How did the Roman Empire prepare the world for the coming of Christ and the rapid spread of Christianity? (12 pts.)

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3. What main themes does the *Didache* talk about? (10 pts.)

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4. How did the third century differ from the second century in the Roman Empire? What was one of the significant contributors to this difference? (10 pts.)

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5. What did the Docetists teach? To what other heresy is Docetism related? (10 pts.)

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6. According to Justin Martyr, what was the pattern of typical Sunday worship? (8 pts.)

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7. According to the Gnostics, what is the purpose of salvation and how does one achieve that goal? (10 pts.)

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8. Throughout *Exhortation to the Greeks*, how does Clement contrast the pagans gods' character and approach to men with God's character and approach to men? (10 pts.)

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9. How was Eusebius different from all previous Greek and Roman historians? (10 pts.)

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10. What changed radically for Christians when Constantine gained control of the Roman Empire? (10 pts.)

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**EXTRA CREDIT**

11. What does the first letter of Clement show us about the early church? (5 pts.)

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12. What is Ignatius's main concern about himself in all his letters? (5 pts.)

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