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## Biblical Hermeneutics

### Model Question Paper

1. Explain the meaning of the terms hermeneutics and exegesis?
2. Why is biblical interpretation necessary?
3. What are the pre-suppositions and pre-understandings of biblical interpretation?
4. What is meant by *Midrash*? Explain the difference between *halakah* and *haggadah*?
5. Explain the theological difference between Alexandrian and Antiochian schools?
6. Explain the salient features of hermeneutics in the reformation period?
7. Explain briefly the nine critical approaches in hermeneutics?
8. What is meant by the literal sense of the Bible and explain its important auxiliaries?
9. Explain the spiritual sense of the Bible?
10. Write a short note on the typological sense and fuller sense in hermeneutics?
11. Explain the hermeneutical approaches of Karl Barth and Rudolf Baltmann?
12. Explain the *Vorlage* of *Dei Verbum*?
13. How does *Dei Verbum* interpret the relationship between revelation, tradition and scripture?
14. Explain the seven principles of biblical interpretation suggested in *Dei Verbum*?
15. Biblical interpretation is an ecclesial hermeneutic of faith. Explain this idea in the light of *Verbum Domini*?
16. Explain and evaluate source criticism?
17. Explain and evaluate form criticism?
18. Explain and evaluate redaction criticism?
19. Explain the 6 distinctions between synchronic and diachronic approaches in hermeneutics?
20. What is the meaning of reader response criticism?
21. How should we understand the relationship between the ecclesial economy of the incarnated word and the Universal mission of the Eternal word?