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Saint Paul Discipleship Class
The Canon Law – A Code for Life (Part 2)

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TRUE or FALSE

- 1. There are 4 models of authority in the canon laws of the Coptic church.
- 2. The model of authority of the canon laws of the Orthodox church are the Holy Synod, the Deacons, and the Ecumenical councils.
- 3. Canon #18 of the great and holy Ecumenical council of Nicaea allows the deacon to administer the Holy Body to the priest during communion.
- 4. Canon # 46 (352 AD) allows candidates under the age of 30 to be ordained for priesthood provided that they receive full recommendation from all of the church congregation.
- 5. Canon # 11 (Neo Caesarea 352 AD) explains that if a candidate is in all respects worthy of priesthood, then he can be ordained if he is at least 30 years of age.

CIRCLE THE CORRECT ANSWER

The Models of Authority for Canon Laws are:

- A) Roman Catholic, Protestant, Indian
- B) Roman Catholic, Universal, Indian
- C) Roman Catholic, Protestant, Orthodox
- D) None of the above

The General Church Canons were based on which Ecumenical Councils?

- A) Nicaea, Constantinople, Carthage
- B) Nicaea, Constantinople, Ancyra
- C) Nicaea, Ephesus, Carthage
- D) Nicaea, Constantinople, Ephesus

Canon #18 of the great and holy Ecumenical council of Nicaea regulates the deacon's duties to:

- A) Administering Communion to themselves.
- B) Receiving Communion before the priests
- C) Not Touching the Holy Body or the Holy Blood
- D) Facing no consequences if they do not follow the canons

OPEN ENDED

- 1. What is the Synaxarium reading? Write down the canon law and its number that supports its being read in church.
- 2. Do we have a church canon that supports using the Agpeya in our daily readings? Which Canon? Where can we find it?
- 3. Name and explain in detail the 3 Models of Authority of Canon Laws.
- 4. What is the 'Holy Synod' of our Coptic orthodox church?
- 5. What are the 3 main points that you need to know about each one of the Ecumenical Councils of Nicaea, Constantinople, and Ephesus?
- 6. How does Canon # 11 (Neo Caesarea 352 AD) explain the age limitation for priesthood?
- 7. Which Canon law states "The passions of the Martyrs may be read when their anniversary days are celebrated."?
- 8. What are the 5 points fathers of children should follow according to Paragraph 11 of the Apostolic Constitutions?
- 9. What are the consequences on the children's side if the fathers fail to follow the points set in Paragraph 11 of the Apostolic Constitutions?