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General Certificate of Education

2022 Reserve Series

Religious Studies

Assessment Unit A2 1

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Themes in the Synoptic Gospels



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TUESDAY 21 JUNE, AFTERNOON

TIME

2 hours.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **two** questions from Section A and the compulsory question in Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 150.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of the pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

You are advised to take account of the marks for each part question in allocating the available examination time.

Section A

Answer **two** questions from this section

- 1 (a)** With particular reference to Mark's Gospel, outline the issues involved in the four source hypothesis. [20]
- (b)** "Narrative Criticism has too many limitations."
Consider critically this view. [30]
- 2 (a)** Clarify Jesus' teaching on love for enemies in the Synoptic Gospels. [20]
- (b)** "The command to love is as important today as it was in the first century."
To what extent is this claim true? [30]
- 3 (a)** "The main religious ideas of Luke are evident in his account of the empty tomb."
Present a case for this statement. [20]
- (b)** "The post-resurrection appearances reflect theological concerns rather than presenting historical facts."
Critically evaluate this statement. [30]

Section B

Synoptic Assessment

Theme: Religious Texts, Authority and Interpretation

You **must** answer this question

- 4 (a) "Religious texts have been a source of conflict."

With reference to **one** example, present a case for this statement. You must support your answer with reference to at least **one** other unit of study. [20]

- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, critically assess the view that religious texts are rarely clear and always open to different interpretations. [30]

THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER
