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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit A2 1

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Themes in the Synoptic Gospels

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[ARE11]

FRIDAY 10 JUNE, MORNING

Time

2 hours, plus your additional time allowance.

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 at the end of each question 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) Discuss the importance of the “Q” source within B.H. Streeter’s four source hypothesis. [20 marks]

- (b) Consider critically the view that Narrative Criticism has made the greatest contribution to understanding the Synoptic Gospels. [30 marks]

2 (a) Examine Jesus' teaching on the command to love in the Synoptic Gospels. [20 marks]

(b) "In a world that values individualism and materialism, the command to love without limits is unrealistic."

To what extent is this claim true?
[30 marks]

3 (a) Outline Luke's main theological concerns in the post-resurrection appearances of Jesus. [20 marks]

(b) Critically evaluate the claim that inconsistencies in the resurrection narratives make belief in the resurrection difficult. [30 marks]

Section B

Synoptic Assessment

Theme: Religious Texts, Authority and Interpretation

You **must** answer this question

- 4 (a) “Religious texts are often open to misinterpretation.”

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

- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, critically assess the view that religious texts are outdated and only cause conflict. [30 marks]

**This is the end of the
question paper**
