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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit A2 2

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Themes in Selected Letters
of St Paul



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THURSDAY 30 MAY, AFTERNOON

TIME

2 hours.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

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Complete in black ink only. **Do not write with a gel pen.**

Answer **two** questions from Section A and the compulsory question in Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 150.

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

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

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

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Section A

Answer **two** questions from this section

- 1 (a) Give reasons for the importance of Paul's teaching on justification by faith for the Galatian Church. [20]
- (b) "Paul's understanding of freedom in Galatians challenges believers today about Christian living."
Critically assess this claim. [30]
- 2 (a) Clarify Paul's teaching on food offered to idols in his Letter to the Corinthians. [20]
- (b) "Paul's guidance to the Corinthians on worship has no relevance for believers today."
To what extent do you agree with this claim? [30]
- 3 (a) Outline the debate around the authorship of the Letter to the Ephesians. [20]
- (b) Critically evaluate the view that the focus of Ephesians is more theological than pastoral. [30]



Section B

Synoptic Assessment

Theme: Controversy, Division and Reconciliation

You **must** answer this question

- 4 (a) “Religious texts cause controversy.”

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.

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- (b) “In a secular world, religious morality must be flexible if it is to remain relevant.”

Critically evaluate this view. You must refer to other aspects of human experience in your answer.

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