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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 3

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An Introduction to Themes
in the Old Testament



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THURSDAY 23 MAY, AFTERNOON

TIME

1 hour 20 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

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Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 100.

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 **one** question from Section A

- 1 (a) Discuss the purpose of God's covenant with Moses and the Israelites after their freedom from slavery in Egypt. [25]
- (b) "God's call is always different, depending on who is called and why."
Assess this claim, with reference to the biblical texts you have studied. Justify your answer. [25]
- 2 (a) Examine the significance of David's affair with Bathsheba. [25]
- (b) Evaluate the view that the rise of kingship in Israel was inevitable and also a positive change. Justify your answer. [25]



Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) With reference to relevant texts studied, discuss how Elisha's activity was different from Elijah's. [25]

- (b) "The Bible is sometimes unreliable and it is the duty of religious leaders to offer more acceptable interpretations."

With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore this view. Justify your answer. [25]

- 4 (a) Explain how Amos presented his message to the people of Israel. [25]

- (b) "The true prophetic voice is that which promotes human rights."

With reference to other aspects of human experience, consider the truth of this statement. Justify your answer. [25]





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