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KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR
SPECIAL EXAMINATION
FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION(ARTS)
KRE 2303 THE STUDY OF NEW TESTAMENT

Date: 15th August 2024
Time: 2.30pm-4.30pm

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- A. Explain the role of the following elements in the formation of the New Testament text and theology
- i. The Hebrew Testament (5 Marks)
 - ii. The Grecian empire (5 Marks)
 - iii. The Graeco-Roman World (5 Marks)
- B. Give five genres found in the New Testament Text (5 Marks)
- C. Outline and discuss FIVE dominant doctrinal and theological themes found in the General epistles in the New Testament (10 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- A. Explain the term, "synoptic problem" (4 Marks)
- B. Using examples, justify why Matthew, Mark and Luke are synoptic Gospels (6 Marks)
- C. Discuss the common justifications for the existence of synoptic problem in the three Gospels (6 Marks).
- D. Explain the value of the Qumran scrolls to the credibility of the Bible as a whole (4 Marks).

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- A. Give five theological and doctrinal themes dominant in Pauline Epistles (5 Marks)
- B. Discuss any THREE of the above themes (@5= 15Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- A. Analyze the criteria used for the canonization of the New Testament books (5 Marks)
- B. Using examples, describe how the book of Revelation is an apocalypse (6 Marks)
- C. Explain the what distinguished the following religious groups:
- i. The Essenes (3 Marks)
 - ii. The Pharisees (3 Marks)
 - iii. The Sadducees (3 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- A. Write short notes on the uniqueness of the gospel of John (6 Marks)

- B. Discuss the place of the Acts of Apostles in the inception and growth of the early church (4 Marks).
- C. Explain the meaning of the following in the interpretation of the New Testament text(s).
- i. Historical-grammatical analysis (2 Marks)
 - ii. Context (2 Marks)
 - iii. Authorial intent (2 Marks)
 - iv. Exegesis (2 Marks)
 - v. Eisegesis (2 Marks)