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# EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN RELIGIUOS STUDIES

**RELI 862: ECO THEOLOGY** 

STREAMS: SB TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 06/12/2018 8.30 A.M – 10.30 A.M

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Answer question one and any other three questions
- 1. (i) Define the term Eco theology.

[2 marks]

- (ii) Why is eco-theology becoming an important field of study in the higher institutions of learning. [5 marks]
- (iii) Give and explain three biblical texts that justify the study of eco theology.

[5 marks]

- (iv) How does the Islamic religion view the human relationship with nature. [3 marks]
- 2. Elucidate the traditional methods that were employed to conserve the environment in Africa. What can Christians in Africa learn from their African fore parents about their relationship with nature? [15 marks]
- 3. Why is the environmental crisis becoming an exigent matter of our theological reflection today? To what extent have African theologians been careful in considering environmental issues in their theological reflection. What is the way forward?

[15 marks]

- 4. Discuss the signifiance of Oiko-theology suggested by some of the scholars in building a cohesive and less suffering societies in the world today. [15 marks]
- 5. "The mother earth groans in travail" (Pope John Paul II)
  -what causes this pain to the mother earth?

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-what is the role of religion in alleviating this pain?	[9 marks]