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**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION  
(ARTS)**

**RELI 230: INTRODUCTION TO BIBLICAL STUDIES**

**STREAMS: SB**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 4/12/2019**

**11.30 A.M – 1.30 P.M**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

**Answer question one and any other two questions**

**SECTION A**

1. (a) Explain why the Bible is sometimes called The Testament. [4 marks]
- (b) Clearly explain why a Christian needs to understand the unity and diversity of the Bible. [4 marks]
- (c) How is the doctrine of inspiration of the Bible important to the Christian faith? [4 marks]
- (d) Describe two types of biblical criticism. [4 marks]
- (e) Discuss the importance of translating the Bible into different African languages. [7 marks]
- (f) Describe the different methods of interpreting the Bible showing which you support and why? [7 marks]

**SECTION B**

2. (a) Discuss why the Bible is referred to as the word of God. [10 marks]

- (b) “There is one central story that progressively unfolds in the Bible.” Discuss the truth of this statement. [10 marks]
3. (a) Discuss the criteria of canonicity of both the Old and the New Testament. [10 marks]  
(b) Explain the uses of the Bible today. [10 marks]
4. (a) Discuss the theme of election as presented in the Scriptures. [10 marks]  
(b) Discuss the challenges encountered in transmission of the Bible from the beginning to the present era. [10 marks]
5. Discuss the relationship between the Old and the New Testament and why it is important for a student of the Bible to understand this relationship. [20 marks]
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