



PAN AFRICA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY
END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN BIBLE AND THEOLOGY

MAY – AUGUST 2017

CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

DEPARTMENT: BIBLE AND THEOLOGY

COURSE CODE: BIL3813

COURSE TITLE: BIBLICAL CRITICISM

EXAM DATE: TUESDAY 25th JULY 2017

TIME: 2.00PM-5.00PM

INSTRUCTIONS

- This Exam Script contains **TWO (2)** Sections.
- Answer **ALL** questions in Section 1, and any **THREE** questions in Section 2.
- You are required to answer the questions in essay format.
- You may begin with any question, as long as you properly number them.
- You are only allowed to use the Bibles provided for by the University

SECTION A: Compulsory Questions (30 Marks)

1. Based on your reading of R. K. Harrison, discuss the historical and literary criticism of the Old Testament. (10 Marks).
2. Discuss textual criticism of the Hebrew manuscripts (Old Testament canon) with respect to the ancient versions such as the Septuagint, the Aramaic Targums, and the Old Latin and Vulgate. (10 Marks)
3. Exhaustively describe the work Critics have done to shed light to the Synoptic Gospels. (10 Marks)

SECTION B: Answer any three Questions (ONLY) in this Section (30 Marks)

1. Explain the four main groups of common causes of textual troubles; expounding on each cause and citing Scriptural reference as example in your defense.
(10 Marks)
2. Discuss Julius Wellhausen criticism of the Pentateuch, stating your position on the same. (10 Marks).
3. Explain what is meant by two document and four document theories as a projected solution for synoptic problem by source critics. (10 Marks).
4. Describe the significance of the broad categories, as well as the subdivisions of Biblical criticism to the subject of Biblical hermeneutics. (10 Marks).
5. Based on your studies in this course, present a logical defense of the veracity of the Biblical text. (10 Marks)