



**EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELORS OF ARTS IN
BIBLE AND THEOLOGY**

SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER 2015

CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU DAY

DEPARTMENT: BIBLE AND THEOLOGY

COURSE CODE: BIL3443

COURSE TITLE: GENERAL EPISTLES

EXAM DATE: Tuesday, 24th November 2015

TIME: 2.00Pm – 5.00pm

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read all questions carefully before attempting.
- Answer Question ONE in Section A and any Four Questions in Section B

Time Allocated is 3 hours

Section A 20mks

1. a) Discuss the authorship of the book of James identifying the author? **8mks**
- b) Examine the audience the letter is addressed to? **4mks**
- c) Explain the practical value of this epistle to Christians today? **8mks**

Section B 40mks

Answer any FOUR (4) Questions

2. Compare James doctrine of works in James 2 with Paul's doctrine of faith in Romans 4 on the question of justification? **10mks**
3. Based on our discussions in class, critically evaluate modern doubts over Petrine authorship and canonicity of 2 Peter? **10mks**
4. Drawing from 1 Peter, discuss the nature of the persecution suffered by the readers of 1 Peter and proper Christian response to suffering? **10mks**
5. Discuss the Johannine criteria of genuine Christianity? **10mks**
6. Describe the roles played by Gaius, Diotrephes, and Demetrius in the ecclesiastical dispute around which 3 John centers? Discuss how the contemporary church can apply the teaching of 3 John. **10mks**
7. Jude intended to write about the common salvation but was compelled to change and appeal to his readers to contend for the faith once delivered to them. Discuss the reason why he changes his mind and the strategy he offers to his readers to achieve the appeal? **10mks**