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SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

**END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN BIBLE AND THEOLOGY**

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CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

DEPARTMENT: BIBLE AND THEOLOGY

COURSE CODE: BIL3813

COURSE TITLE: BIBLICAL CRITICISM

EXAM DATE: WEDNESDAY 8TH AUGUST 2018

TIME: 5:30PM-8:30PM

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- Write your **STUDENT NUMBER** in the Answer Booklet given
- This paper has **NINE** questions.
- Answer **ALL QUESTIONS** in **SECTION A** and any other **TWO** questions in **SECTION B**
- *Write clearly and legibly.*
- *ALL PAC University's examination rules and regulations apply*

SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

1. Define the following terms: **(5marks)**
 - i) Literary criticism
 - ii) Codex
 - iii) Paleography
 - iv) Emendation
 - v) Orthography
2. Briefly explain the two main processes of textual criticism generally practiced by editors of classical Greek and Latin texts. **(6marks)**
3. List major features of most written languages Before Christ (BC). **(5marks)**
4. Name the two chief categories/ kinds of criteria used to choose among conflicting readings. **(4marks)**
5. The scribe sought to both preserve and revise the text. Explain how this was done through the following: **(10marks)**
 - a) Tendency to Preserve the text
 - b) Tendency to Revise the text

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO OF THE FOLLOWING:

6. Errors and variants occurred in text transmission due to unintentional changes. State and explain five (5) changes, likely to occur in New Testament. **(15marks)**
7. Transmit Matthew 5:1-12 applying a critical method of your choice. **(15marks)**
8. Explain the four (4) key historical events linked to the origin of the English Bible. **(15marks)**
9. Discuss the various languages other than Hebrew used for transmission in the ancient versions of the Old Testament. **(15marks)**