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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: BIBLICAL AND THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

COURSE CODE: MBT505 | MBP504 | MDV604

COURSE TITLE: The Social World of the Bible

EXAM DATE: FRIDAY 12TH APRIL 2019

TIME: 5.30PM-8.30PM

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the questions carefully before you write the answers.
- Write your **STUDENT NUMBER** in the Answer Booklet given
- This paper has **Five** questions
- Answer **Three** questions. Question 1 is compulsory.
- *Write clearly and legibly.*
- *ALL PAC University's examination rules and regulations apply*

Section A: Answer ALL questions(20 marks)

1. The ritual of circumcision is viewed as a form of covenant between God and Abraham.
 - a) Critically discuss three primary goals of circumcision covenant between God and Abraham in Genesis 17. (9 marks)
 - b) Discuss three metaphorical uses of circumcision and uncircumcision in both the Old Testament and New Testament and provide the Bible verses (6 marks).
 - c) Explain the significance of circumcision and uncircumcision in relationship to the contemporary Christianity as depicted by Apostle Paul (5 Marks).

Section B: Answer ANY TWO questions (20 marks)

2. The Bible has an underlying social context that you need to understand in order to interpret it correctly:
 - a) Discuss the importance of studying the Bible in its social context (6 marks)
 - b) Explain how the study has helped you in interpretation and application of Bible in your local context. (4 marks)
3. Your understanding of the wedding customs of the Bible helps you to appreciate the rich imagery of our marriage to Christ as His virgin bride.
 - a) Discuss the significance of betrothal in the ancient Israel (6 marks)
 - b) Explain how the wedding customs of ancient Israel helps you appreciate the rich imagery of our marriage to Christ as His virgin bride (4 marks).
4. The issue of ethnicity is significant in the ancient Israel.
 - a) Discuss three ethnic identifiers and boundary markers of early Israel (6 marks).
 - b) Explain how ethnicity is fluid in Christ Jesus in relationship to you as a Christian (4 marks)
5. The observation of the sabbath was emphasized in the ancient Israel.
 - a) Discuss how the sabbath commemorates both the creation and the Israelite's liberation from slavery and provide Bible verses (6 marks)
 - b) Explain Jesus' perspective of sabbath in relationship to contemporary Christianity (4 marks)