



PAN AFRICA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

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

MAY – AUGUST 2018

CAMPUS: VALLEY ROAD

DEPARTMENT: BIBLICAL AND THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

COURSE CODE: BIL4613

COURSE TITLE: BIBLICAL CULTURES

EXAM DATE: TUESDAY 7th 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 TEN questions
- **Answer ALL Questions in Section A and ANY TWO from Section B**

SECTION A: Answer ALL Questions

1. Explain the meaning of the following concepts:
 - a) Culture (2 marks)
 - b) Social sciences (2 marks)
2. List two ways of studying the idea of God. (2 marks)
3. Explain FIVE influences of culture according to David and Edward (in the book dimensions of culture). (8 marks)
4. Discuss TWO Biblical truth factors in contextualization. (4 marks)
5. Analyse FIVE background issues from ancient near East that influenced Biblical writing. (10 marks)

SECTION B: Answer ANY TWO of the following.

6. Analyse FIVE groups of Jewish people that lived in Palestine in the time of Jesus. (15 marks)
7. Assess the role played for the following categories of people: (15 marks)
 - a) The scribes
 - b) The High priests
 - c) The Rabbis
8. Citing THREE MAJOR writings that took place during the intertestamental period, analyse why they were not accepted in the Protestant Bible. (15 marks)
9. Using THREE specific examples, discuss the importance of non-biblical sources for our understanding of the Israelite Law and covenant. (15 marks)
10. Assess the THREE categories of 'Image and Likeness' as used in Mesopotamia. (15 marks)