



MDV508 – Medieval Church History and Reformation

20211 - Exam

Section A: Answer ALL Questions

1. Appropriate understanding of Church history is critical for effective Church leadership in the African context.
 - a) Discuss four of Charlemagne's contributions to the development of European politics and the church in the high middle ages. (4 marks)
 - b) Explain three lessons that the church in Africa can learn from the Western church in the high middle ages. (6 marks)
 - c) Using a table or clear prose – show the similarities and differences between the views of the magisterial reformers, the catholic reform movement and the radical reformers on the following: the nature of salvation, the areas that needed reform within the church, and the role of the state in bringing about reform. (10 marks)

Section B: Answer ANY TWO Questions

0. Arguments and separations have characterized the historical progression of Christianity.
 - a) Discuss three factors that contributed to the sharp conflict and eventual split between the Eastern and Western church in 1053-1054. (6 marks)
 - b) Explain two lessons the church in Africa can learn from the schism that resulted. (4 marks)
0. Compare and contrast the Western European ideal of church and state, with the Eastern European Caesaropapist view, then discuss one lesson the church in Africa can learn from these views. (10 marks)
0. By singling out one proponent for each approach, discuss three early approaches to reforming the Western Church in the late middle ages,

then explain one lesson African Christians can learn from these examples about reforming the church. (10 marks)

0. Discuss scholasticism and explain three aspects of its method of instruction. Interrogate a key contribution of one theologian from the era of scholasticism. (10 marks)