



General Certificate of Education  
Advanced Level Examination  
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## Religious Studies

## RST3E

### Unit 3E      New Testament

Wednesday 11 June 2014 1.30pm to 3.00pm

**For this paper you must have:**

- an AQA 12-page answer book.
- You may use a Bible that includes the Apocrypha.

#### Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 minutes

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#### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is RST3E.
- Answer **two** questions.  
Each question has **two** parts.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

#### Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 100.
- In each question, the first part tests your knowledge and understanding, while the second part tests your skills of reasoning and evaluation.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
  - use good English
  - organise information clearly
  - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

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Each question has **two** parts. Answer **both** parts of each question chosen.

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**Question 1 The context of John's Gospel**

**0 1** Examine the Jewish context of John's Gospel.

**[30 marks]**

**and**

**0 2** 'John's Gospel cannot be understood without knowing about the Jewish background.'

Assess this claim.

**[20 marks]**

**Question 2 The nature, role and purpose of the discourses in John's Gospel**

**0 3** Examine the role of the discourses with particular reference to 'I am the Resurrection and the Life' (John 11<sup>1-44</sup>).

**[30 marks]**

**and**

**0 4** 'The discourse 'I am the Resurrection and the Life' was relevant to the people of Jesus' time but not to people today.'

Assess this claim.

**[20 marks]**

**Question 3 The nature, role and purpose of signs in John's Gospel**

**0 5** Examine the role of healing miracles as signs in John's Gospel.

**[30 marks]**

**and**

**0 6** 'John was not concerned about giving an accurate record of events when describing healings in his Gospel.'

Assess this claim.

**[20 marks]**

**Question 4 The nature, role and purpose of the passion and resurrection narratives**

**0 7** Examine John's portrayal of Jesus in the account of the arrest and trials (John 18-19<sup>16</sup>).  
**[30 marks]**

**and**

**0 8** 'John's account of the arrest and trial of Jesus is theology rather than history.'  
Assess this claim.  
**[20 marks]**

**END OF QUESTIONS**

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