

General Certificate of Education
June 2006
Advanced Level Examination



RELIGIOUS STUDIES
Unit 7 Studies in the Old Testament

RS07

Wednesday 14 June 2006 9.00 am to 10.30 am

For this paper you must have:

- a 12-page answer book

You are permitted the use of a Bible, which may include the Apocrypha.

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use blue or black ink or ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is RS07.
- Answer **two** questions.

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 100.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers. All questions should be answered in continuous prose. Quality of Written Communication will be assessed in all answers.

Answer **two** questions.

- 1 (a) Explain the ways in which the passages you have studied about the event of the Exodus show human destiny as being in the hands of God. *(20 marks)*
- (b) The passages you have studied from Isaiah reflect the view of human destiny found at the time of the Exile.
- (i) Summarise this view of human destiny.
- (ii) Assess the claim that the traditions of the Exodus and of the Exile show God as being more concerned with the destiny of the nation than with the destiny of the individual. *(30 marks)*
- 2 (a) Examine the ideas on the relationship between God and humanity which are found in the passages you have studied from the Wisdom literature. *(20 marks)*
- (b) Outline the ways in which the Law defined the terms of humanity's relationship with God, and assess the claim that the relationship between God and humanity is totally dependent on Law. *(30 marks)*
- 3 (a) Examine the characteristics of apocalyptic writing. *(20 marks)*
- (b) Outline the reasons why apocalyptic writing is described as being a response to persecution, and assess the claim that apocalyptic writing has no meaning in the 21st century. *(30 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS