



ADVANCED General Certificate of Education 2010

Religious Studies

Assessment Unit A2 2

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Selected New Testament Writings: A Study of Acts, Galatians and 1 Corinthians

[AR221]

MONDAY 24 MAY, AFTERNOON



TIME

2 hours.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Candidate Number and Centre Number on the Answer Booklet provided. Answer **two** questions from Section A and answer the compulsory question in Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 150.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

You are advised to take account of the marks for each question or part question.

Section A

Answer **two** questions from this section

1	(a)	Outline and explain the significance of Paul's experiences in Jerusalem before his transfer to Caesarea.	[30]
	(b)	Critically evaluate the view that the ending of Acts is an anticlimax.	[20]
2	(a)	Analyse the content of Paul's speech at Miletus.	[30]
	(b)	With reference to Acts and Paul's letters, critically assess the view that Paul was more determined to defend himself than the gospel.	[20]
3	(a)	Outline and examine Paul's teaching on justification by faith as found in Galatians.	[30]
	(b)	Critically assess the view that Christians still find the ideas of life in the Spirit and Christian freedom difficult to live by.	[20]
4	(a)	Explain how Paul's teaching on unity, immorality and lawsuits was intended to challenge the church at Corinth.	[30]
	(b)	Critically evaluate the view that Paul's guidance on unity is the most relevant teaching for Christians today.	[20]

Section B

Synoptic Assessment

Theme: Religious Controversy

You **must** answer this question

- **5 (a)** With reference to at least **two** different areas of study, outline and examine some key ideas relating to religious controversy. [30]
 - **(b)** Critically assess the view that religious controversy has a negative influence on society. You should refer to other aspects of human experience in your answer.

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