

**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS**

**Advanced GCE**

**RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

**2774**

New Testament 2

Wednesday

**14 JUNE 2006**

Morning

1 hour 30 minutes

Candidates answer on the separate answer paper provided.

Additional materials:

Answer paper

**TIME** 1 hour 30 minutes

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer paper/answer booklet.
- Answer **two** questions from **one** alternative.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, on the separate answer paper provided.
- If you use more than one sheet of paper, fasten the sheets together.
- Write the number of each question attempted in the grid on the front of the answer booklet.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- Each question carries 45 marks.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 90.
- You will be awarded marks for the quality of your written communication in both answers.

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**This question paper consists of 2 printed pages.**

Answer questions from one alternative only.

Alternative A – The Early Church

Answer two questions.

- 1 'Paul's theology in Galatians was a successful response to all challenges to his teachings.' Discuss.
- 2 'Teachings about the Spirit are the key to the theology of Romans.' Discuss.
- 3 'Now I would remind you brothers and sisters of the good news.' (1 Corinthians 15:1). To what extent was the resurrection the main feature of the 'good news' preached by Paul?
- 4 Examine whether Ephesians should be seen as distinct from the other epistles that you have studied.

Alternative B – The Gospels

Answer two questions.

- 5 To what extent did the parables of the Lost (Luke 15) challenge Jewish ideas of sin and redemption?
- 6 Examine Mark's purpose in presenting the healing miracles as a conflict with evil.
- 7 'The Sermon on the Mount was not a challenge to the Law.' Discuss.
- 8 'The parables in Matthew 13 and 25 offered people an opportunity to understand fully the nature of the Kingdom of God.' Discuss.