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COURSE CODE: BTCL 2143

COURSE TITLE: APOLOGETICS

EXAM DATE: FRIDAY 15TH FEBRUARY, 2019

TIME: 9:00AM – 12:00PM

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- Answer Question **One** and any other **Three** questions

SECTION A: Answer ALL questions (30 marks)

1.

- a. Apologetics is an important discipline in Christian scholarship and practical ministry.
 - i. Give a brief definition of *apologetics*. Using scripture, explain the biblical basis for apologetics. (10 marks)
 - ii. Explain the *four* different methods of apologetics and give an example of each. (10 marks)
- b. Some Christians say that “we do not need reason, we just need the Holy Spirit to witness”. Explain how you might you respond to this misconception in the area of apologetics. (5 marks)
- c. In our contemporary African culture, the Christian apologist must respond to three different worldviews. List these worldviews and explain them briefly while giving a practical example of the same. (5 marks)

SECTION B: Answer ANY THREE questions (30)

- 2 Augustine of Hippo, Thomas Aquinas and John Calvin are three exemplary apologists in the history of Christianity.
Briefly explain the history that necessitated each of their apologetics. State and briefly describe the apologetic method of one of them. (10 marks)
- 3 The Bible is central to the Christian apologist.
 - a. Briefly explain what is meant by the inspiration of Scripture, the necessity of Scripture, the reliability of Scripture and the sufficiency of Scripture. (5 marks)
 - b. Discuss the significance of 1 Pet 3:15-16 to the necessity of apologetics, the person of the apologist and the means of doing apologetics. (5 marks)
- 4 Genesis provides the foundational doctrine for the entire Christian life and doctrine.
 - a. List and explain four explanations for the beginning of the universe. Justify whether the creation narrative responds to the big bang theory. (5 marks)
 - b. Give two reasons for the young-earth position and two for the old-earth position for creation. (5 marks)
- 5 Apologetics is not only an abstract discipline but is applied in a variety of contexts.

- a. Briefly discuss an apologetic response to any issue in the African context. (4 marks)
- b. Explain three ways of how apologetics can be applied in the ministry of an African local church. (6 marks)