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COURSE CODE: BTH1123

COURSE TITLE: CULTURAL WORLD OF THE BIBLE

EXAM DATE:

TIME:

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

Instructions:

- Write your **STUDENT NUMBER** in the answer book given.
- Answer all questions in section A and any two questions in section B.

SECTION A: Answer ALL Questions

Q1. Explain in sufficient detail the importance of understanding the cultural background of the Bible in relation to the exegesis of biblical texts. (10 marks)

Q2. Describe in detail the topographical zones of Palestine and comment about their suitability for farming and/or pastoral activities. (10 marks).

SECTION B: Answer ANY TWO Questions

Q3. Discuss any 5 feasts/festivals of Old Testament Israel and their meaning and significance for the Christian life. (10 marks)

Q4. Compare and contrast the issue of succession and inheritance in Ancient Israel to any one of the cultures in Kenya. (10 marks).

Q5. Discuss the social and political aspects of the tribal organization in Ancient Israel and compare with those of modern communities. (10 marks).

Q6. Analyze three major Jewish religious sects that existed in Israel between the 2nd Century BCE and the 1st Century CE and their impact in the interpretation of biblical texts. (10 marks).