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BACHELOR OF ARTS IN BIBLE AND THEOLOGY**

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CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

DEPARTMENT: BIBLICAL AND THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

COURSE CODE: BIL 3413

COURSE TITLE: THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

EXAM DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- This paper has five questions
- Section A is compulsory
- Answer ANY TWO questions in Section B

SECTION A: Answer ALL questions. (20 marks)

1. The gospel of John records eight signs seven of which are in the “book of signs”.
 - a) Explain what is meant by the “book of signs.” (2 marks)
 - b) Compare and contrast the role signs/miracles play in the gospel of John compared to the role they play in the synoptic gospels. (4 marks)
 - c) Discuss how each of the seven signs reveals the identity of Jesus (14 marks)

SECTION B: Answer ANY TWO questions. (20 marks)

2. Church tradition holds that John the disciple of Jesus is the author of the Fourth gospel.
 - a) Give two examples to support a Johannine authorship. (5 marks)
 - b) Give two reasons why a Johannine authorship is disputed by some scholars. (5 marks)
3. Discuss any two themes found in the prologue of Gospel of John and how they relate to the rest of the book. (10 marks)
4. The Gospel of John uses metaphors and symbols to reveal theological truths. Give four examples and argue how you can be used to communicate truth in the contemporary society. (10 marks)
5. Discuss five ways in which John’s content is unique compared to that of the Synoptic Gospels. (10 marks)