



BTH2123 EARLY CHURCH HISTORY AND REFORMATION

Section A: Answer ALL Questions

- a) Explain two differences between the Irenic and Polemic approaches to studying Church History. (4 marks)
- b) Explain the event in Acts chapter 15 outlining who was present and what decisions were made. Discuss two reasons why the gathering in Acts chapter 15 is important for Church historians. (10 marks)
- c) Outline what the Reformation was, giving two of its main features and naming one important figure. (6 marks)

Section B: Answer ANY TWO Questions

1. Explain who Charlemagne was, his significance to church history, and 3 of his contributions. (10 marks)
2. Discuss the importance of Athanasius and outline 2 reasons why he is important in the development of Christian orthodoxy. Discuss 2 reasons why it is important for African Christians today to learn about the doctrinal contributions of the early church. (10 marks)
3. Discuss scholasticism and explain two of its main features. Name one important scholar in the scholasticism era, and describe one of his major contributions. (10 marks)
4. Discuss the origin of Islam and explain two ways it advanced Westwards. Outline two contributions Islam made to Europe as it grew. (10 marks)