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**BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY HONOURS DEGREE**

**YEAR 1: FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

**BTh101: INTRODUCTION TO JUDEO-CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURES**

**DATE: DECEMBER 2015 TIME: 3 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Answer any **three** questions.
2. All questions carry **equal marks.**
3. Start each question on a **fresh page**.
4. Write on **both sides** of the writing paper.

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1. “The study of the Bible is the soul of theology.” Pope Leo XIII (*Dei Verbum*, 24). Elaborate.
2. ‘History and geography are very important in the reading and understanding of the Bible.’ Prove or refute this statement using examples and illustrations.
3. Explain the **five** reasons that necessitated the writing of the New Testament.
4. Assess how the study of Gospel geography can be an essential component to the knowledge of the Gospels.
5. Relate the notion of ‘history of salvation’ to ‘geography of salvation’.
6. Define the following terms:
	1. Form Criticism;
	2. Source Criticism;
	3. Redaction Criticism.

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**DATE: DECEMBER 2015 TIME: 2 HOURS**

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1. Evaluate the value and limit of Archaeology in biblical studies.
2. ‘The Bible is literature.’ Discuss.
3. Give an overview of the Hebrew Bible, elaborating on its principal divisions.
4. Discuss the theories of Inspiration and Canonicity.
5. Explain the major difference between the Jewish and Christian understanding of the Old Testament.
6. Explain the following terms:
	1. Rhetorical Criticism
	2. Tradition Criticism
	3. Textual Criticism