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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

MASTER OF ARTS IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

ARE 532: INTER-TESTAMENTAL PERIOD

DATE: 30/4/2019

TIME: 8.30-10.30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and any other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Describe the inter-testamental period. (10 marks)
- b) State the core tenets of Judaism. (10 marks)
- c) State the reasons necessitating the study of inter-testamental literature. (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Brief explain three forms of Biblical criticism. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss four types of Biblical hermeneutics. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

State the features of the following sects, highlighting their theological significance:

- a) Pharisees (5 marks)
- b) Sadducees (5 marks)
- c) Zealots (5 marks)
- d) Essenes (5 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Discuss the features of inter-testamental religion.

- a) Explain three significant events that took place in inter-testamental period before the birth of Jesus. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss other events in inter-testamental period. (10 marks)