



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2018/2019 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

SECOND YEAR SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

BACHELOR OF ARTS

ARE 202: CRITICAL STUDY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT TEXTS

DATE: 25/9/2019

TIME: 11.00-1.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS

1. a) Discuss the Markan theory. (15 marks)
 b) Explain with reasons why it is one of the most convincing solutions to the synoptic problem. (15 marks)
2. Discuss the importance of Textual Criticism of the New Testament. (20 marks)
3. Giving at least two examples, discuss the literary problems encountered when reading the Gospels. (20 marks)
4. Discuss Acts of the Apostles and whether or not it is relevant to the Church in Kenya today. (20 marks)
5. Explain in detail any **three** of the following Hypothesis as used in the critical study of the New Testament.
 - a) The hypothesis of usage (5 marks)
 - b) The Griesbach hypothesis (5 marks)
 - c) The Farrer hypothesis (5 marks)
 - d) The Oxford Hypothesis (5 marks)
6. a) Explain what we mean by infancy narratives. (10 marks)
 b) Discuss some of the theological problems in the infancy narratives. (10 marks)