

Religious Studies  
Advanced  
PAPER 3: New Testament Studies

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Time: 2 hours

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**YOU MUST HAVE**

**Nil**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

**There are THREE sections in this question paper. Answer ALL the questions in each section.**

**Answer the questions in the spaces provided – there may be more space than you need.**

**INFORMATION**

**The total mark for this paper is 80.**

**The marks for EACH question are shown in brackets – use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.**

**ADVICE**

**Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.**

**Check your answers if you have time at the end.**

## SECTION A

**Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.**

- 1 Explore key ideas used in Matthew's proof texts to prove Jesus is the Messiah.  
(8 marks)**

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- 2 Assess the importance of eschatological themes presented by Jesus in the parables of the Great Banquet and the Narrow Door.  
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**TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 20 MARKS**

**SECTION B**

**Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.**

**Read the following passage before answering the questions.**

**6 <sup>35</sup>Then Jesus declared, ‘I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. <sup>36</sup>But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. <sup>37</sup>All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. <sup>38</sup>For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. <sup>39</sup>And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. <sup>40</sup>For my Father’s will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.’**

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3 (a) Clarify the ideas illustrated in this passage.

**You must refer to the passage in  
your response.  
(10 marks)**

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**(b) Analyse the significance of ONE of the following for understanding the Person of Jesus in the Gospels:**

- **The titles of Jesus**
- **The 'I am' sayings.**

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 30 MARKS**

## SECTION C

**Write your answer in the space provided.**

- 4    ‘The Jewish authorities were not the only ones responsible for the death of Jesus.’**

**Evaluate this claim in the context of the religious and political conflict surrounding Jesus’ ministry.**

**In your response to this question, you must include how developments in New Testament Studies have been influenced by ONE of the following:**

- Philosophy of Religion**
- Religion and Ethics**
- Study of a Religion (excluding Christianity).**

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 30 MARKS**

**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 80 MARKS**

**END OF PAPER**

## **SOURCE INFORMATION**

### **Question 3**

**(Source: extract adapted from the Holy Bible, New International Version, John 6:35–40, Edexcel Anthology)**