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Religious Studies A  
PAPER 3: Area of Study 3 – Philosophy  
and Ethics  
Option 3B – Christianity

Tuesday 6 June 2023 – Afternoon

Time: 50 minutes

In the boxes below, write your name, centre number and candidate number.

Surname					
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**YOU MUST HAVE**

**Nil**

**YOU WILL BE GIVEN**

**Nil**

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

**Answer ALL questions.**

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

## **INFORMATION**

**The total mark for this paper is 51.**

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

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**INFORMATION continued.**

**The question labelled with an ASTERISK (\*) is the one where the quality of your written communication will be assessed – you should take particular care on this question with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the use of specialist terminology.**

**The marks available for spelling, punctuation and grammar are clearly indicated.**

**ADVICE**

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

**Try to answer every question.**

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

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

**Question 1: Arguments for the Existence of God**

- 1 (a) Outline THREE miracles recorded in the Bible.  
(3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO ways answered prayers  
might lead to belief in God.  
(4 marks)**

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**(c) Explain TWO things the design argument may show about the nature of God.**

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.  
(5 marks)**

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**In this question, 3 of the marks awarded will be for your spelling, punctuation and grammar and your use of specialist terminology.**

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**\*(d) “God offers proof of his existence through religious experiences.”**

**Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.**

**In your response you should:**

- **refer to Christian teachings**
- **refer to non-religious points of view**
- **reach a justified conclusion**

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## **Question 2: Religious Teachings on Relationships and Families in the 21st Century**

- 2 (a) Outline THREE reasons why some Christians would allow divorce.  
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**(b) Explain TWO teachings about the equality of men and women in a Christian family.  
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**(c) Explain TWO teachings about the importance of raising children within a Christian family.**

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.  
(5 marks)**

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**(d) “Christians should not use family planning.”**

**Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.**

**In your response you should:**

- **refer to Christian teachings**
- **refer to relevant ethical arguments**
- **reach a justified conclusion.**

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