



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2015/2016

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

ARE 351: OLD TESTAMENT HERMENEUTICS

DATE: Monday, 23rd November 2015

TIME: 8.00 a.m. - 10.00 a.m.

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS AT LEAST ONE FROM EACH SECTION

SECTION I:

1. Either

a) Why should scholars of religion study OLD TESTAMENT HERMENEUTICS?

OR

b) explain in detail the differences between Exegesis and Hermeneutics.

2. Show the meaning of any THREE of the following terms:

a) Ancient Jewish Hermeneutics

b) Interpretive Crisis

c) Linguistics/Semiotics

d) Feminist Hermeneutics

3. Either

a) Critically analyze the principles of Old Testament Hermeneutics

OR

b) Critically show the hermeneutical role of Marcion in the process of canonization.

SECTION II:

4. Either

- a) Discuss the key biblical texts for liberative Hermeneutics

OR

- b) How is a person's theology both good and potentially problematic in hermeneutics.

5. Either

- a) Discuss any four hermeneutical trends

OR

- b) Explain in detail the application of constitutive and prophetic modes to the study of a particular OT Text.

6. Either

- a) Giving examples, critically assess Liberation Hermeneutics

OR

- b) Discuss any two literary approaches in biblical hermeneutics and explain why you think they are important in an African ecclesiastical context.