

# ADVANCED General Certificate of Education 2012

# **Religious Studies**

Assessment Unit A2 2

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Selected New Testament Writings: A Study of Acts, Galatians and 1 Corinthians

[AR221]

**WEDNESDAY 16 MAY, MORNING** 



TIME

2 hours.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided. Answer **two** questions from Section A and answer the compulsory question in Section B.

#### **INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

The total mark for this paper is 150.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in all questions.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

#### **ADVICE TO CANDIDATES**

You are advised to take account of the marks for each question or part question in allocating the available examination time.

# **Section A**

# Answer two questions from this section

1	(a)	Analyse the reasons for Paul's transfer to Caesarea and his treatment by Felix, Festus and Agrippa.	[30]
	(b)	Critically assess the claim that Paul's approach to spreading the gospel is too challenging for Christians today.	[20]
2	(a)	Analyse the content and responses to Paul's speech at Pisidian Antioch.	[30]
	(b)	Critically evaluate the view that the Council of Jerusalem was central to ensuring that the Church did not become a Jewish sect.	[20]
3	(a)	Outline and examine Paul's defence of his authority and the gospel as found in Galatians.	[30]
	(b)	Critically assess the claim that legalism and false teaching continue to be a threat to the Church.	[20]
4	(a)	Identify and consider the purpose and main themes of 1 Corinthians.	[30]
	(b)	"The portrayal of Paul in his Letters is very different from the Paul presented in Acts." Critically assess this view.	[20]

#### **Section B**

# **Synoptic Assessment**

**Theme: Religious Controversy** 

You **must** answer this question

- 5 (a) With reference to at least two areas of study, examine the contribution of some key people to religious controversy. [30]
  - (b) Critically assess the claim that religious controversy is inevitable. You should refer to other aspects of human experience in your answer. [20]