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Supplementary Examinations July 2009

T4P1/IDE T4P1: Religions of the world

Time: 3 hours

Instruction: Answer one question in section I and two questions in section II

Section I

- 1 Discuss Ludwig Wittgenstein's two theories of language, with particular reference to religious language
- 2 Highlight the similarities between Native North American Religion and African Traditional Religion
- 3 "God is teaching us that we must live as men who can get along very well without him"(Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *Prisoner for God*) With reference to this statement of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, write a critique on Secularization theology.
- 3 Explain the difference between an ontological argument for the existence of God and a cosmological argument, and give an example of each.

Section II

- 1 Explain the four noble truths and the eightfold path taught by Buddha.
- 2 Discuss the Confucian doctrines about the following:
 - (i) Filial piety
 - (ii) Man as he is by nature
 - (iii) The noble man
 - (iv) The family
 - (v) Ancestor worship

- 3 Discuss the beliefs which Taoism and Christianity have in common
- 4 Highlight the beliefs and practices which Shintoism and Christianity have in common