

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND  
DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY & RELIGIOUS STUDIES  
BA HUMANITIES III/ IDE BA HUMANITIES III  
SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION JULY 2010

COURSE TITLE : A STUDY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

COURSE CODE : T 3 P1

DURATION : THREE (3) HRS

INSTRUCTIONS :

- a. Choose and answer four (4) questions.
- b. Write in clear, grammatically correct sentences.

**DO NOT OPEN THIS PAPER UNTILL THE INVIGILATOR GRANTS YOU  
PERMISSION TO DO SO**

**T3 P1/ IDE T3P1 Exam (S) July 2010**

1. Compare and contrast Metzger and Aland/Aland's principles for establishing the first reading. To what extent are these principles reliable? [25]
2. According to typical evangelical reconstructions, who wrote the Gospel According to Matthew and why? [25]
3. Using evidence from the Acts of the Apostles and any genuine Pauline letter(s), discuss the historical trustworthiness of Luke as a writer. [25]
4. In your view, do you think that the New Testament can offer any meaningful help or advice towards Gender Based Violence? Support your answer? [25]
5. Critically discuss the identity of the 'disciple whom Jesus loved' in the fourth Gospel. [25]
6. How are Jewish figures presented in Paul's argumentation in Romans and Galatians? Why would Paul have selected these figures in responding to issues he addresses in these letters [25]
7. What is the relationship between sickness and sin, according to this text?

Is any one among you suffering? Let him pray. Is any cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is any among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the lord will raise him up; and if he committed sins he will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man has great power in its effects. Elijah was a man of like nature with ourselves and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth its fruit (James 5:13 – 18). [25]

8. Against whom is the polemic in 2 Peter and Jude directed? What sort of change are they looking for? [25]