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TITLE OF PAPER : CHRISTIAN ETHICS 11

COURSE CODE : TRS 203/IDE-TRS 203

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

MARKS : 75

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. CHOOSE AND ANSWER ANY **THREE (3)** QUESTIONS.
2. EACH QUESTION CARRIES **25** MARKS.
3. BEGIN EACH QUESTION ON A FRESH PAGE.
4. CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN FOR CLARITY, ACCURACY AND GOOD THEOLOGICAL INSIGHT.

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QUESTION 1

Critically examine the strengths and weaknesses of the traditional Christian approach to divorce and remarriage.

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QUESTION 2

Uganda's President Museveni signs controversial anti-gay bill into law

By Faith Karimi and Nick Thompson

CNN

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Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni has signed into law a bill that toughens penalties against gay people and defines some homosexual acts as crimes punishable by life in prison. Homosexual acts are already illegal in Uganda, and Museveni had gone back and forth recently about whether he would sign the controversial bill in the face of vocal opposition from the West. At the public signing of the bill Monday, a defiant Museveni declared that he would not allow the West to impose its values on Uganda.

Critically evaluate President Yoweri Museveni's signing into a law a controversial legislation that criminalizes homosexuality.

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QUESTION 3

Should abortion be outlawed and treated like murder of a human being, or remain a legal choice available to all women? Discuss.

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QUESTION 4

If you were to write a law regulating euthanasia in Swaziland, what arguments would you offer in support of it?

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QUESTION 5

What evidence do you have that there is discrimination against minority people in your community? What is your moral responsibility in that situation?

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QUESTION 6

Following the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, America began a "war against terrorism." From an ethical perspective, is "war against terrorism" truly a just war? Illustrate your answer by drawing examples from America's military invasions against terrorist regimes.

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