

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

MAIN EXAMINATION PAPER, MAY 2017

TITLE OF PAPER : CHRISTIAN ETHICS II
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 ONE

Critically evaluate the different Christian perspectives on divorce you have learnt about in your study of Christian ethics. Your discussion should also indicate why divorce may be regarded an ethical dilemma.

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QUESTION TWO

3 FOETUSES FISHED OUT AT WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Mbabane – Two fetuses were found at a water treatment site within a week. This follows the previous discovery of another earlier this year. The first foetus was discovered headless by an employee of SWSC on Monday last week at around 10am, and the other surfaced at the same treatment plant near Mqolo Primary School. Swaziland should take aggressive steps and address the high rate of abortion cases amongst young girls.

If you were to write a law regulating abortion in Swaziland, what would it be? What arguments would you offer in support of this law?

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QUESTION THREE

What is parental surrogacy? Critically examine its morality within the context of Christian ethics.

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QUESTION FOUR

“War is an act of violence intended to compel your opponent to fulfill your will.”

(Carl von Clausewitz, 2005)

With reference to any war-torn country you have studied, to what extent do you agree with Carl von Clausewitz’s assertion?

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QUESTION FIVE

“The Bible is not only inherently patriarchal, both in its doctrines and statements about women, but it has also been used as a tool to keep women down” (Theresa Hinga, 1990)

Critically examine the morality of the Bible with regards to women, as perceived by Radical feminists like Mary Daly.

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QUESTION SIX

What are the most urgent ecological challenges in your area? Explain how you can show your moral responsibility in addressing these challenges.

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