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DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

RESIT EXAMINATION PAPER, JULY 2017

TITLE OF PAPER : RELIGIOUS THOUGHT AND SOCIAL CONTEXT

COURSE CODE : TRS 211

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 NEW PAGE.**
- 4. CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN FOR CLARITY, ACCURACY AND GOOD THEOLOGICAL INSIGHT.**

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QUESTION ONE

'God is omniscient therefore we cannot have free will.'

On what grounds might this understanding of an all-knowing God be critiqued?

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QUESTION TWO

Critically examine Ludwig Feuerbach's thesis on the role of religion in society

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QUESTION THREE

Explain Emmanuel Kant's moral argument for the existence of God.

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QUESTION FOUR

Explain how sociologists account for the existence of religious belief.

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QUESTION FIVE

'No one who is religious can be a terrorist'

With reference to religious conflicts between countries, to what extent is the above claim realistic?

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QUESTION SIX

Explain the deductive and logical versions about the problem of evil. Which version makes sense to you and why?

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