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TITLE OF PAPER : Introducing the Study of Religion
COURSE CODE : TRS 103
DURATION : 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Answer three (3) questions in all.
2. Write in clear, grammatically correct sentences.
3. Each Question carries 20 marks.

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PERMISSION TO DO SO.

Question 1

Explain the importance of Religion in human life with special reference to your own country [20]

Question 2

Discuss the philosophical approach and distinguish it from the theological approach to the study of religion [20]

Question 3

Explain why 'Science of Religion' sounds a better name for a scientific study of religion than both 'Comparative Religion' and 'Religious Studies'. [20]

Question 4

Which one of the theories of religion you have studied do you find more plausible? Explain your answer [20]

Question 5

Explain why Christianity is likely to reject religious pluralism as a response to religious diversity. [20]