



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES
FACULTY OF ARTS
2021_2 EXAMINATION

Programme: MA in Christian Theology
Course Code: CRS815 **3 Credit Units**
Course Title: Prophetic Books and Wisdom Literature
Time Allowed: 3hrs
Instruction: Answer question **ONE (25 marks)** and any other **THREE (15 marks each)**.

- 1a. What is the meaning of the term “Prophecy?” (5 marks).
- 1b. Explain the relationship between prophecy and apocalypse (5 marks).
- 1c. Evaluate the Theory of Deuteronomistic history in the light of conservative scholarship (15 marks).
(25 marks)
2. Describe the historical background necessary for the prophetic ministry of the eighth century prophets in ancient Israel.
(15 marks)
3. Appraise the relevance of the message of Ezekiel to ancient Israel.
(15 marks)
4. Discuss Herman Gunkel’s contribution to Psalm scholarship.
5. Examine the basis for meaninglessness of life in the *Qoheleth*’s teaching.
(15 marks)



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SET2

First Semester Examination

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Course Title: Prophetic Books and Wisdom Literature
Time Allowed: 3hrs
Instruction: Answer question **ONE (25 marks)** and any other **THREE (15 marks each)**.

1. Trace the Development of prophecy in ancient Israel.
(25 marks.)
2. Explain how the different covenants are expressed in the prophetic books.
(15 marks)
3. Discuss the impact of Nahum's message on the people of Judah.
(15 marks)
4. How may a good knowledge of African oral traditions and poetry facilitate a good understanding of Wisdom Literature?
(15 marks)
5. With reference to the works of Wright J.S. and Von Rad, identify and discuss the place of Wisdom in the theology of Sages.
(15 marks)



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SET3

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Time Allowed: 3hrs
Instruction: Answer question **ONE (25 marks)** and any other **THREE (15 marks each)**.

- 1a. What do you understand by the phrase “Former and Latter prophets”? (10 marks).
- 1b. Explain the relationship between Kingship and prophecy in ancient Israel (15 marks). **(25 marks)**
2. Discuss the relevance of prophecy in ancient Israel and contemporary Nigerian society. **(15 marks)**.
3. Describe the historical background necessary for the prophetic ministry of the post-exilic prophets in ancient Israel.
(15 marks).
4. How is the sovereignty of God expressed in the Wisdom literature?
(15 marks).
5. Examine the literal/dramatic interpretations of Canticles and its relevance to contemporary readers.
(15 marks).