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NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA FACULTY OF ARTS DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES

QUESTIONS

End of Semester Examination 2019_1

Programme: M. A. in Christian Religious Studies

Course Code: CRS 814 3 Credit Units

Course Title: Biblical Criticisms

Time Allowed: 3 hrs.

Instruction: Answer questions ONE and Three others.

- 1. (a) Why do you think that biblical criticism is indispensable in the study of scriptures? (15 Marks; 30 Minutes)
 - (b) Give three reasons why biblical criticism is limited (10 Marks; 30 minutes).
- 2. What is the meaning of source criticism? (15 Marks; 40 minutes).
- 3. Explain how source criticism differs from form criticism or textual criticism (15 Marks; 40 minutes).
- 4. Identify and describe the nature and causes of textual errors in the biblical texts (15 Marks; 40 minutes).
- 5. Define and explain the purpose of rhetorical criticism in biblical studies (15 Marks; 40 minutes).