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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 1

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An Introduction to the Gospel of Luke

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TUESDAY 15 JANUARY, MORNING



TIME

1 hour 20 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 100.
Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.
Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

You are advised to take account of the marks for each question or part question in allocating the available examination time.

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Section A

Answer **one** question from Section A

- 1 (a) Give an account of the relevance and importance of the religious and political background to Jesus' ministry. [35]
- (b) Comment on the claim that Jesus remained loyal to the Jewish faith throughout his life. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) Give an account of Jesus' teaching on mercy with particular reference to any **two** parables. [35]
- (b) Explore the claim that the aim of parables was to provoke a response from the listener. Justify your answer. [15]

Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) Explain the importance and significance of the birth of Jesus, including the visit of the shepherds and the angels. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on the view that initiation rites are the most important part of religious practice. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) Give an account of the importance and significance of the healing of the Roman Centurion's Servant. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the claim that miracles are best understood as coincidences. Justify your answer. [15]

