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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit A2 4
assessing
Themes in the Early Church and
the Church Today

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MONDAY 11 JUNE, MORNING

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TIME

2 hours.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **two** questions from Section A and the compulsory question in Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 150.
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 part question in allocating the available examination time.

Section A

Answer **two** questions from this section

1 **(a)** Explain **two** of the main features of Montanism.   [20]

(b) "Montanism was a schism in early Christianity but not a heresy."

Critically evaluate this view.   [30]

2 **(a)** Examine Cyprian's views on unity.   [20]

(b) Critically assess the view that Cyprian's writings on "the lapsed" were extremely significant in their own time, but irrelevant now.   [30]

3 **(a)** "The issue of religious leadership is a central problem for the Church today."

Present a case for this statement.   [20]

(b) With particular reference to C.S. Lewis, critically evaluate the view that defending the faith in a secular age is extremely difficult.   [30]

Section B

Synoptic Assessment

Theme: Faith, Morality and the State

You **must** answer this question

4 **(a)** "Religious thinking only advances because of controversy."

With reference to **one** example, present a case for this statement. You must support your answer with reference to at least one other unit of study. [20]

(b) "Religion acts as the conscience of the State, especially in times of conflict."

Critically assess this view. You must refer to other aspects of human experience in your answer. [30]

THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER

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