



GCE AS/A level

1345/01

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

RS1/2 CHR - Introduction to Christianity

A.M. TUESDAY, 17 January 2012

1¼ hours

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper, you will need an 8 page answer book.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **two** questions.

Write your answers in the separate answer book provided.

Write the number of each question you answer both alongside your answer and on the front cover of the answer book.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

All questions carry 45 marks.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each part-question.

Part (*a*) of each question tests your knowledge and understanding.

Part (*b*) of each question tests your skills of reasoning and evaluation.

You are reminded of the need for good English and orderly, clear presentation in your answers.

All questions should be answered in continuous prose. Assessment will take into account the quality of written communication in all your answers.

Answer two questions.

1. (a) Explain why Christians believe that the Incarnation was necessary. [30]
(b) 'The story of the Fall shows that the Christian God is not a loving God.'
Assess this view. [15]

2. (a) Explain Luther's contribution to the Reformation. [30]
(b) 'Luther's supporters were motivated by politics, not religion.'
Assess this statement. [15]

3. (a) Describe how the eucharist is celebrated in the Orthodox tradition. [30]
(b) 'There is no difference between the Orthodox and the Roman Catholic view of the eucharist.'
Assess this statement. [15]

4. (a) Explain how the Christian celebration of Good Friday reflects the belief in the Atonement. [30]
(b) 'It makes no sense for Christians to celebrate Good Friday.'
Assess this view. [15]