



UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (PRIMARY OPTION)**

PRESS 211: RELIGIOUS BELIEFS

STREAM: B.ED (P) LIIBI

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 11/8/2010

11.30 A.M. – 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer ALL the questions.

1. (a) With the aid of examples, define the term religion. [4 marks]
(b) Explain any four problems of studying religion. [8 marks]
 2. Explain, giving relevant examples, the following elements of religion.
 - (a) Belief element [4 marks]
 - (b) Ritual element [4 marks]
 - (c) Moral element [4 marks]
 - (d) Experiential element [4 marks]
 3. Discuss the role of religion in social change. [10 marks]
 4. (a) Explain the main theories of the origin of religion. [8 marks]
(b) Highlight the main criticisms of each theory. [8 marks]
 5. (a) Identify and discuss the prevailing religious schools of thought. [8 marks]
(b) Which of the schools of thought above appeals to you and why? [8 marks]
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