



GCE AS/A level

1345/01

New AS

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

RS1/2 CHR - Introduction to Christianity

P.M. TUESDAY, 2 June 2009

1¼ hours

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

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

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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

Each question carries 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 what Christians mean by 'the Atonement'. [30]
(b) 'The Christian God is more angry than he is loving.'
Assess this view. [15]

2. (a) Explain how the Protestant Reformers' understanding of baptism differed from that of the Catholic Church. [30]
(b) 'The practice of baptizing infants is unquestionably correct.'
Assess this statement. [15]

3. (a) Examine the meanings of the eucharist in the Catholic **and** Protestant traditions. [30]
(b) 'The eucharist has a basic significance that most Christians would accept.'
Assess this statement. [15]

4. (a) Explain the meaning of Christmas for Christians. [30]
(b) 'Christmas is now a completely secular festival.'
Assess this view. [15]