

# NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 14-16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND LAGOS MARCH/APRIL 2016 EXAMINATION SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Course Code: CTH 311

**Course Title:** Gospel of John

Time Allowed: 2 HOURS

Instruction: Answer question ONE and any other TWO.

# Question No. 1 (30 marks)

- a) Identify the six individual characters employed as both real and symbolic in the Fourth Gospel. (3 marks)
- b) Comment briefly on them. (24 marks) Presentation (3 marks).

## Question No. 2 (20 marks)

What are the opposing views to the claim that the genre of the gospels, especially John, is biographical? (20 marks)

## Question No. 3 (20 marks)

With the help of the argument in the eighth chapter of the Fourth Gospel, prove that Jesus is greater than Abraham. (20 marks)

### Question No. 4 (20 marks)

- a) Explain the hypothesis of JosephA. Fitzmyer on the use of Old Testament quotations in the Fourth Gospel. (12 marks)
- b) What are the possible implications of the discussion for the New Testament studies? (5 marks)

Presentation = 3 marks

### Question No. 5 (20 marks)

Discuss the symbolism of the cross and death of Jesus in the Fourth Gospel. (20 marks)