



**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 412**

**Course Title: Gospel of Mathew**

**Time Allowed: 2 HOURS.**

**Instruction: Answer question ONE and any other TWO.**

**Question No. 1 (30 marks)**

- a) Trace the biblical development of the concept of the “temple of God” in the New Testament as reference to believers in Christ. (15 marks)
  - b) What is the implication of the reference to the church in the gospel of Matthew (16:18) as edifice to be built on *this* rock? (12 marks)
- Presentation = 3 marks.

**Question No. 2 (20 marks)**

What are the two main interest of Matthew in his account on the life and time of the historical Jesus that may help one to reconstruct the occasion of the writing of the Gospel? (20 marks)

**Question No. 3 (20 marks)**

Why do you think that the second coming of Jesus is necessary for the Matthean community? (20 marks)

**Question No. 4 (20 marks)**

- a) State the three main opinions about the double commissioning in the gospel of Matthew.
- b) What are the main flaws of the views?

**Question No. 5 (20 marks)**

How do you mean that in Matthew’s Gospel, spiritual kinship takes precedence over natural kinship? (20 marks)