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**END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION 2017\_1**

**COURSE CODE: CTH724**

**COURSE TITLE: NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY**

**TIME ALLOWED: 2HOURS**

**INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO**

- 1. Explain the concept of Kerygma in New Testament Theology (30 marks)**
- 2 Discuss briefly the (a) person and (b) mission of Jesus Christ as the main unifying principle that makes it possible to speak of New Testament theology as a unit (20 marks)**
- 3 How does the New Testament represent the kingdom of God as a *present* reality? (20 marks)**

**Answers**

**Note: Presentation = 2 marks**

- i. Obstacle to the Kingdom: In many passages, Jesus spoke against preventing or hindering someone to enter the kingdom (Matt. 23:13; Lk. 11:52) **(3 marks)**
- ii. The unexpected members of the kingdom: The tax-collectors and the harlots, who receive the gospel go into the kingdom of God before you (Mt.21:31). **(3 marks)**
- iii. Inauguration and existence of the kingdom here on earth: It was possible for someone to go to the kingdom at the time of Christ's ministry on earth and enjoy the blessing of the kingdom (Lk. 4:18-21; Matt. 11:5) **(4 marks)**
- iv. Entry into the kingdom requires radical steps (Mark 9:43-48): The kingdom comes with force breaking into this world and believers are given the power to receive it. **(4 marks)**
- v. Kingdom of God as dynamic rule: The kingdom is the dynamic rule of God and the present realm of blessings. Those who enter receive the good news and its accompanying blessing. **(4 marks)**

- 4 Do you subscribe to the statement that the God of the New Testament is a "seeking" and "inviting" God? (20 marks)**
- 5 Explain the meaning of the claim that Jesus describes the human person in the vocabulary of the dichotomist, and Paul in the language of the dichotomist and trichotomist? (20 marks)**