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FINAL EXAM 60%- 2 HOURS

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Instructions

- ❖ **Incomplete Answers will not attract any credit.**
- ❖ **Open Bible Exam**

SECTION 1: COMPULSORY

- 1a. Discuss challenges to Biblical interpretation (8 Marks)
- b. What is the difference between the following terminologies.
 - i. Exegesis and eisegesis (1 Mark)
 - ii. Hermeneutics and exegesis (1 Mark)
- c. Discuss five benefits of thinking theologically? (10 Marks)

SECTION 2: CHOOSE AND ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS

2. a) What are the benefits of Biblical Interpretation? **(10 Marks)**
- b) What is the relationship between studying the bible and Theology. **(10 Marks)**
3. a) Discuss principles of proper biblical interpretation **(10 Marks)**
- b) Discuss Bible study guidelines. **(5 Marks)**
- c) Read the following passage and list five theological themes (with their corresponding verse/s) from this passage? **(5 Marks)**

JOHN 14:1-14

¹ “Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. ² My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for

you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. ⁴ You know the way to the place where I am going.”

⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

⁶ Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸ Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.”

⁹ Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Don’t you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. ¹¹ Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

4a. What is oral hermeneutics? (1 Mark)

b. Discuss six oral interpretation categories that can be utilized to convey biblical teachings in the church. (12 Marks)

c. Elizabeth Mburu is the author “African Hermeneutics”:

- i. What her hermeneutics model? (5 mark)
- ii. What is her key contribution to African hermeneutics? (2 Mark)