

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 91 Cadastral Zone, Nnamdi Azikiwe Express Way, Jabi-Abuja FACULTY OF ARTS 2020_1 EXAMINATIONS

PROGRAMME: M. A. CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS STUDIES COURSE CODE: CRS 825 COURSE TITLE: RELIGION AND SOCIAL CHANGE IN AFRICA CREDIT UNIT: 3 TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTIONS <u>ONE</u> AND ANY OTHER <u>THREE</u> QUESTIONS

1. a. Religion and society are two sides of the same coin. Discuss

b. Elucidate on the assertion that fundamental to the analysis of society is the understanding of social institutions.

2. Expatiate on any three of the theories of religion in relation to social change.

3. Critically give an overview of the major religious groups in Africa. What are their basic characteristics and belief systems?

4. a. Define Marriage.

b. What are the types of marriage known to you and of what value are they in the society?

c. What are the challenges to the institution of marriage in the world today?

5. a. What is secularization?

b. What are the factors predisposing to this especially in a multi-ethnic and multi-religious nation like Nigeria?