

## **COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, THEOLOGY, HUMANITIES, and EDUCATION**

# COURSE CODE: TST 205 COURSE TITLE: THEOLOGY AND LAND PRAXIS I

#### **END OF SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

#### **JANUARY-MAY 2020**

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### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Do not write your name on the answer sheet.
- 2. Answer ONE question.
- 3. Each question carries 100 marks
- 4. Credit is given for neat, well written and lucid work.

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- 1. A farmer next to your seminary approached you as minister of religion and offered to sell part of his farm to the church. You have decided to assess the suitability of the farm before selling the idea of buying the farm for agriculture and other purposes to the church council members:
  - a) What biblical arguments would use in response to church council members who may challenge you that agricultural matters are not part of the church mission and should not be included in the programs of the church? [20]
  - b) Present a strong justification to the church council why it is important for the church to own a piece of land. [40]
  - c) Evaluate factors that determine the suitability of land for agriculture. [40]
- 2. Most African rural communities are experiencing food security challenges. You are a pastor who has been assigned to work in such a community. In view of the above situation:
  - a) How would you use the stewardship of creation to motivate the community to address food security challenges [20]
  - b) Discuss the possible causes of food insecurity in your community. [40]
  - c) Explain practical steps you would take to improve the food security status of your community. [40]
- 3. Conservative farming, organic farming and farming using genetically modified organisms (GMOs) are three systems of farming used in various parts of Africa:
  - a) Between conservative farming and organic farming, which system of farming would you recommend for your community and why? [30]
  - b) Discuss the morality of using GMO technology from a Christian ethical perspective. [30]
  - c) Other than ethical reasons, discuss possible reasons why there seems to be a low adoption/acceptance rate of GMO technology in most African countries despite the fact that some experts often highly perceive this technology as an answer to food security challenges in Africa. [40]