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FIRST SESSION 2011 MAIN EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER

COURSE CODE	TRP 100
COURSE TITLE	Introduction to the Study of Religion
GROUP	B Ed, B A Ed (Block release)
EXAMINER	Rev. T. M. Munengwa
DATE	December, 2011
DURATION	3 Hours
INSTRUCTIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Answer all questions2. Answer one question from each of the remaining sections3. Write legibly

Section A

1. Write brief notes on the following:

- a. The Subjectivity of Religion (5)
- b. Projectionist Theories of Religion (5)
- c. *Zu den Sachen Selbst* (E. Husserl) (5)
- d. Methodology and the Study of Religion (5)
- e. *Oedipus* complex (5)

Section B

- 2. State and discuss T.D. Blakely's definition of religion in the book *Religion in Africa*, 1994. (25)
- 3. Describe and analyze the main steps in the phenomenological approach to the study of Religion. (25)
- 4. What are the aims of Psychology of religion? With the help of examples show how these aims are achieved.

Section C

- 5. 'Religions are different paths leading to the same destination'. Discuss in the light of the comparative study of religion. (25)
- 6. Discuss the experience of religious conversion from the perspective of psychology of religion.
- 7. With the help of examples discuss the functions of religion proposed by sociology of religion.

Section D

- 8. Expose and analyze the nature of Religious language
- 9. Compare and contrast the concept of salvation in Christianity and African Traditional Religion.
- 10. "If God did not exist, it would be necessary to invent him." (Voltaire). Discuss this statement. (25)