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COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, THEOLOGY, HUMANITIES AND EDUCATION INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES NTBS319 BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS FOR LEADERSHIP, CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION AND PEACEBUILDING

END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION

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DURATION: 5 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Do NOT write your name on the answer sheet.
- 2. Answer **ONE** Question
- 3. Credit will be given for neat, well-written and lucid work.

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- Incessant conflicts are becoming evident in several Christian denominations today. A number of scholars have attributed this unfortunate development to the incapability of the leadership within the church today to resolve, manage, or transform conflict.
 - a) Evaluate the contribution of any **TWO** of the following Bible-based peacebuilding models to sustainable peacebuilding in the church and society today:
 - (i) Chikwanha (2019)'s Respect for Seniority in Transferring of Power at the top level Peacebuilding Model
 - (ii) Chukwuma(2020)'s Biblical Proverbial Peacebuilding Model
 - (iii) Vasquez (2021)'s Spirit of Gentleness Peacebuilding Model. [40]
 - b) From your own critical reflection of relevant New Testament texts, construct what, in your assessment, would be **Either** Jesus **OR** Paul's model of conflict resolution/management/transformation. [60]
- 2 Incessant conflicts are becoming evident in several Christian denominations today. A number of scholars have attributed this unfortunate development to the incapability of the leadership within the church today to resolve, manage, or transform conflict.
 - a) Using the knowledge and insights that you gained during the course examine **FOUR** leadership competencies that you strongly think all church leaders should possess to minimize conflict in the church today. [40]
 - b) In the light of insights from any **TWO** conflict resolution/management/transformation models listed below, write a detailed report that you would present to your District Superintendent or Bishop or superior on strategies to build sustainable peace in your circuit or work place:
 - (i) John Paul Lederach (2015) Conflict Transformation Model
 - (ii) Nel (2015) Theological Handling of Conflicts
 - (iii)Guigun Gun (2018) The Rehabilitation and Reintegration Model
 - (iv)Chivasa (2021) Non-Adversarial Conflict Transformation Model.

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- 3 The clergy versus laity power-related conflict is becoming evident in a number of Christian denominations in Zimbabwe, and Africa as a whole, today.
 - a) Explore TWO peacebuilding models you would use to design appropriate programs that you strongly think could help to address the conflict mentioned in the statement above.
 - b) Formulate a feasible Bible-based and theologically sound peacebuilding strategy that you strongly think if implemented will help to address the grievances of the past as major causes of conflict, and which can also promote long-term stability and justice that guarantee sustainable peaceful coexistence in your denomination.

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