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Pearson Edexcel		Centre Number	Candidate Number
Level 3 GCE			
Time 2 hours	Paper reference	9RS0/03	
Religious Studies Advanced PAPER 3: New Testament Studies			
You do not need any other materials.			Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- There are **three** sections in this question paper. Answer **all** the questions in each section.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.
- Good luck with your examination.

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1 Explore the ethical teaching of Jesus from the Sermon on the Plain.

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(Total for Question 1 = 8 marks)



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2 Assess the usefulness of redaction criticism for understanding the synoptic texts.

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(Total for Question 2 = 12 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 20 MARKS



SECTION B

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Read the following passage before answering the questions.

1 ⁹The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. ¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. ¹² Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. ...

¹⁷ For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

¹⁸ No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

(Source: extract from the Holy Bible, New International Version®, John 1:9–14, 17–18, Edexcel Anthology)

3 (a) Clarify the key ideas referred to in this passage.

You must refer to the passage in your response.

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(b) Analyse the view that the Prologue is a key to understanding the Fourth Gospel.

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(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 30 MARKS



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(Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 30 MARKS
TOTAL FOR PAPER = 80 MARKS



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