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**RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

**0490/02**

Paper 2

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**1 hour 45 minutes**

Additional Materials:      Answer Booklet/Paper

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**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer any **three** questions.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

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Answer **both** parts of any **three** of the questions.

- 1 *'Festivals remind people of what God has done for them.'*
  - (a) Describe how Christians celebrate Christmas and how Jews celebrate Chanukah. [10]
  - (b) Explain why these festivals are times of celebration for Christians and Jews. [15]
  
- 2 *'Parents have a duty to bring up their children in religious faith.'*
  - (a) For **each** of Christianity and Islam, describe the religious ceremonies used to welcome a new baby into the community. [10]
  - (b) Explain why it is important for Christians and Muslims to teach their children about their faith. [15]
  
- 3 *'For religious people, death is not the end.'*
  - (a) Describe the ceremonies and customs of Jewish funerals and of Muslim funerals. [10]
  - (b) Explain why religious funerals are important for Jews and Muslims. [15]
  
- 4 *'Places of worship are different from ordinary buildings because they have special religious items inside which help people to worship.'*
  - (a) Describe **two** items a synagogue might have to help Jews worship, and **two** items a church might have to help Christians worship. [10]
  - (b) Explain why synagogues and churches are important in the lives of Jews and Christians. [15]
  
- 5 *'Pilgrimages give believers a chance to concentrate on God.'*
  - (a) Describe **one** place that a Christian might visit on pilgrimage, and **one** place that a Muslim might visit on pilgrimage. [10]
  - (b) Explain why pilgrimage can be important for Christians and Muslims. [15]

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