



**NT 502 The Early New Testament Church**

Semester 2 2011

Time allowed: 2 hours

Weighting: This exam is worth 50% of the total semester marks.

All candidates are to be supplied with an unmarked copy of the RSV, NRSV, NIV or ESV.

Answer four questions, two from each section.

All questions are of equal value.

**SECTION A**

1. What is the day of Pentecost meant to show to readers of Acts?
2. What evidence is there that the Jerusalem church was slow to accept the Gentile mission?
3. What is the significance of the Holy Spirit being manifest on the household of Cornelius?
4. What is Stephen's speech significant in the development of the plot of Acts?

**SECTION B**

5. It has been argued that James is a Jewish document adopted by Christians. Evaluate this view.
6. Betz wrote that the main issue in Galatians is, How can the spiritual man live? Evaluate this view.
7. In 1 & 2 Thessalonians, why does Paul go into so much detail about the parousia?
8. Using either Ephesians or Colossians to illustrate, explain how being "in Christ" unites Paul's theology and practice.
9. 'Hebrews is a call for Jewish Christians to remain Christian despite any resulting persecution.' Is this an adequate summary of the message of Hebrews?