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**FACULTY OF THEOLOGY** 

**DEPARTMENT OF MORAL THEOLOGY** 

**REGULAR PROGRAMME** 

**B-MT 106: FUNDAMENTAL MORAL THEOLOGY II** 

Date: APRIL 2019 Duration: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Any THREE Questions. Question THREE is

**COMPULSORY** 

- Q1. Explain the nature, function and purpose of moral theology.
- Q2. Human beings are both social and norm-creating and norm-following animals by nature. They are rules-creating and rules-following rational creatures. They create rules for themselves that regulate social interactions and make possible the collective action of groups. Although these rules can be rationally designed or negotiated, norm-following behaviour is usually grounded not in reason but in emotions like pride, guilt, anger, and shame. Norms are often given an intrinsic value and even worshipped, as in the religious laws of many different societies. Discuss this statement in light of the historical development of the relationship between law and moral life in human history.
- Q3. Review the nature of the covenant and its requirements in order to show how moral life was understood in the Old Testament.
- Q4. Describe the essence, qualities and effects of law in the general sense according to St. Thomas Aquinas's *Summa Theologiae*.
- Q5. Mention and discuss the three kinds of precepts in the Old Law as it was suitably given at the time of Moses to repress human passions, emotions and prevent sins.

- Q6. Provide a critical analysis of one of the three attacks on natural law and its contributions for a popular rejection of natural law and human nature as sure guide of moral life.
- Q7. Examine the centrality of moral norms and values on concrete moral decisions that confront human beings as moral actors.

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