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OLD TESTAMENT COMPREHENSIVES

I. HISTORY AND CONTENT (Answer 2 questions) (1 hour)

- A. Compare and contrast the contributions of Moses and David to the political and religious life of Israel.
- B. Discuss the significance of the 8th century as a prophetic period. Name several prophets who wrote during this time and outline the major themes and purposes of their books.
- C. At what points does the world of Mesopotamia contribute the most to an understanding of Hebrew culture and history.

II. HEBREW (1 hour) (Answer both)

A. Translate Judges 2:4-7

- v. 4--parse kedabber
- v. 6--parse wayeshallah
- v. 7--Identify yemey

B. Translate Genesis 3:1-4

- v. 2--parse no³kel
- v. 3--parse tig¹eu and temutun
- v. 1--What is the force of to³kel¹?
- v. 2--What is the force of ¹es?
- v. 4--Comment on the force of mot temutun.

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III. INTRODUCTION (1/2 hour) (Answer 1)

- A. Assess the significance of the Dead Sea Scrolls in matters of Old Testament Introduction.
- B. Describe the place of Deuteronomy as a key factor in the development of higher criticism. How do the answers to the dating and authorship of Deuteronomy affect one's approach to matters of Introduction?

IV. INTEGRATION (1 hour) (Answer 2)

- A. Relate important teaching from the Old Testament which sheds light on the current ecological controversy.
- B. The Watergate affair has brought into sharp focus the need for trustworthy, honest government officials. What does the Old Testament have to say about the conduct and responsibility of those in authority?
- C. What are some guidelines from the OT for evaluating the ecumenical movement?

V. BIBLIOGRAPHY (1/2 hour) (Answer both)

- A. State the viewpoint and major contributions to OT scholarship of 8 of the following.

Frank Cross	- Julius Wellhausen
- R. K. Harrison	- K. A. Kitchen
- Leon Wood	- Gerhard von Rad
- John Bright	- E. J. Young
- G. Ernest Wright	Otto Eissfeldt

- B. List the five works which you would consider most important for use in making a study of ONE Old Testament book of your choice. Be sure that they represent varied aspects of approach, and give reasons for your selection.

PLEASE RETURN THIS EXAM WITH YOUR WORK AT THE END OF THE PERIOD.