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ARE 209 History of Christianity

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Duration: 2hours

Instructions: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions.

- Q1. Give a brief and precise explanation about the following Groups of people In Judaism;
- a. The Pharisees (**5marks**).
 - b. The Hellenists (**5marks**).
 - c. Essenes (**5marks**).
 - d. Sadducees (**5marks**).
 - e. Zealots (**5marks**).
 - f. The Scribes (**5marks**).
- Q2. Discuss reasons why the early Church rapidly spread under the Roman Empire (**20 marks**).
- Q3. Discuss the main reasons why the Romans began to persecute Christians. (**20 marks**).
- Q4. Explain why and how Nero persecuted Christians between 54- 68AD. (**20marks**).
- Q5. Give a definite understanding of an heresy with reference to a detailed explanation of the Arian heresy (**20 marks**).