

**M.A. Examination, 2018**  
**Semester-I**  
**Comparative Religion**  
**Course : MACOMRCP 103**  
**(Sociology of Religion)**  
**(New Syllabus)**

**Time : 3 Hours**

**Full Marks : 60**

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin

Answer **any four** questions.

1. "Feuerbach does not see that the 'religious sentiment' is itself a social product"- Explain it in the context of new materialism advocated by Karl Marx. 15
  2. How does Marx explain the religious suffering as this expression of as well as a protest against the real suffering simultaneously? Analyse. 15
  3. Write an essay on Durkheim's understanding of sacred and profane. 15
  4. Explain why Animism cannot be ascribed as the elementary form of religious life, according to Durkheim. 15
  5. Explain Weber's methodology of study of religion as enunciated by Talcott Parsons. 15
  6. How does the prophet achieve 'breakthrough' in the established socio-cultural order of a society through his charismatic leadership, according to Weber? Elucidate. 15
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