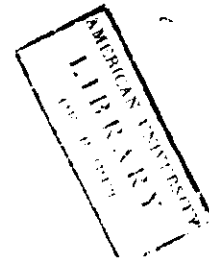




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FINAL EXAMINATION - June 6, 2001
Nicely Hall Room 202
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Answer questions number 1 and 3 and choose one of the remaining two questions:

1. Interpret the following text from the writings of St. Thomas Aquinas:

"Since, therefore, there exists a twofold truth concerning the divine being, one to which the inquiry of the reason can reach, the other which surpasses the whole ability of the human reason, it is fitting that both of these truths be proposed to man divinely for belief. This point must first be shown concerning the truth that is open to the inquiry of the reason; otherwise it might perhaps seem to someone that, since such a truth can be known by the reason, it was uselessly given to men through a supernatural inspiration as an object of belief." 30%

2. **Name, discuss, and demonstrate** why Al-Ghazali refuted some groups whose teaching he learned thoroughly well and others whom he accepted. 40%

3. Discuss the controversy between Luther and Erasmus. 30%

4. Why would Arnold Toynbee evaluate Ibn Khaldun's work as:

"Undoubtedly the greatest work of its kind that has ever been created by any mind in any time or place...the most comprehensive and illuminating analysis of how human affairs work that has been made anywhere." 40%

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