**AQA Specification: Religion, Human Rights and Social Justice**

**3.2.1.6 Theme F: Religion, human rights and social justice**

Students should study religious teachings, and religious, philosophical and ethical arguments, relating to the issues that follow, and their impact and influence in the modern world. They should be aware of contrasting perspectives in contemporary British society on all of these issues.

They must be able to explain contrasting beliefs on the following three issues with reference to the main religious tradition in Britain (Christianity) and one or more other religious traditions:

•• Status of women in religion.

•• The uses of wealth.

•• Freedom of religious expression.

**Human rights**

•• Prejudice and discrimination in religion and belief, including the status and treatment within religion of women and homosexuals.

•• Issues of equality, freedom of religion and belief including freedom of religious expression.

•• Human rights and the responsibilities that come with rights, including the responsibility to respect the rights of others.

•• Social justice.

•• Racial prejudice and discrimination.

•• Ethical arguments related to racial discrimination (including positive discrimination), including those based on the ideals of equality and justice.

**Wealth and poverty**

•• Wealth, including:

•• the right attitude to wealth

•• the uses of wealth.

•• The responsibilities of wealth, including the duty to tackle poverty and its causes.

Exploitation of the poor including issues relating to:

•• fair pay

•• excessive interest on loans

•• people-trafficking.

•• The responsibilities of those living in poverty to help themselves overcome the difficulties they face.

•• Charity, including issues related to giving money to the poor.