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CLASS; YEAR 7

SUBJECT; C.R.S

TOPIC: RELATIONSHIP IN THE CHURCH.

CONTENT:

- (a) How Christian can manifest good citizenship.
- (b) Categories of people in the church.
- (c) Duties of younger ones in the Church.

How Christians can manifest good citizenship.

- (1) Self-discipline & obedience to the government
- (2) Payment of taxes, rate and other duties
- (3) Avoidance of anti-social behaviours, like drug addiction and trafficking, armed robbery
- (4) Obeying road signs
- (5) Not vandalizing properties of others e.g. school, government...
- (6) Not aiding and abetting corruption, sexual harassment, and immorality and e.t.c.
- (7) Honouring them and not making derogatory statement against our rulers.

EVALUATION;

- (1) What is corruption?
- (2) How can we stop corruption in our community?

Categories of people in the church are:

- (1) Leaders.
- (2) Elders.
- (3) Youth.
- (4) Children.

All these groups in the church have duties and obligations, such duties, privileges and responsibilities of which are written in [I Peter 5; 1-11]. As each person in the group should fulfill his or her responsibilities for the welfare of the group, there will always be co-operation. We will first examine the duties of the elders as mentioned in verse 1-4.

“So exhort the elders among you as a fellow elders and a witness of the suffering of Christ as will as a partaker in the glory that is to be revealed. Tend the flock of GOD that is in charge, not for shameful gain, but being examples to the flock. And when the chief shepherd is manifested you will obtain the unfading crown of glory”.

The role of the elders in all societies, usually that of leadership and provision of spiritual guidance for the younger ones-they “shepherd” expected to tend the flock [the children and the youth]

The elders must as a matter of compulsion nourish the up-coming Christian, and also shielding them from social corrupt influence.

Elders are urged to follow the foot step of JESUS portrayed as the ‘Chief shepherd’ who is sure to reward every individual at his second coming. They must lead by example, just like Christ did. In fact Christian is there role model they must be sober and humble. They must protect the people there leading from the evil of the society they must counsel and ministers people of GOD.

EVALUATION

- (1) How many categories of people do we have in the church?
- (2) State the duties of the leaders and elders in the church.

Duties of youth and children: 'likewise you that are younger be subject to the elders. Clothe yourself with humility toward one another, for GOD opposes the proud but give grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of GOD, that in due time he may exalt you, cast all your anxieties on him for he cares for you' [I Peter 5: 5-7].

This was the account of St Peter regarding the duties of younger ones in the church. He admonished the young ones to be subject to the elders, being humble enough to listen to the wise advice of the elders and taking from their experiences, as the word of the elders are the word of wisdom.

EVALUATION

1. State five duties of children and youth in the church?
2. According to St Peter, why is it important for the young ones to humble themselves?

WEEKEND ASSIGNMENT

- (1.) Christians can manifest good behaviour by _____. (a) Vandalizing properties (b) self-discipline (c) involving in anti-social behaviour (d) none of the above
- (2.) As a Christian / good Citizen, we should not make any _____ statement against our rulers. (a) Good (b) derogatory (c) commendable (d) none of the above
- (3.) The categories of people in the Church are the following except _____. (a) Leaders (b) Elders (c) Children & Youth (d) Spirit
- (4.) According to St. Peter, the _____ were to feed the flock of God. (a) Elders (b) Youths (c) Pastors (d) Shepherd
- (5.) The duty of Children is to _____ the elders. (a) Display overconfidence to (b) be subject (c) Disagree with (d) all of the above

THEORY

1. Give at least two duties and obligations of categories of people in the church. Read (II Peter 5 vs. 5-7) and give account of the admonition of Apostle Peter to the younger ones.

