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REPORT

Episode 26

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PREMISE

Social menace are attitudes displayed by people in a society and make the inhabitants feel threatened or endangered. Social Menace vary depending on the geographical location you find yourself and even in the same geographical it depends on the norms, culture, tradition and religion of the people in question hence, what is perceived as wrong in a place will not be a thing of concern in another.

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Some of the causes are child upbringing; infant, toddlers and teenagers are designed naturally to do somethings based on the stages of development. If this privileges are revoked at point in time, it will be registered in the subconscious as a debt that must be paid. For example a teenager who is supposed to pay visit to friends and play around was denied this by the parent may end as a thug in the Society because the subconscious mind has registered it as a debt which should be payed with thuggery.

ISSUES

Worthy of note is that social menace is a function of time. What was rejected yesterday (past) could be accepted today (like in the example above). Though we've mentioned that what is regarded as menace differ, it is also good to know that there is a convergence point no matter where you find yourself. For instance, killing, corruption, disrespect etc. are all frowned at no matter where you find yourself.

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Family relationship; when a home is filled with bitterness and hatred, children from the house grow up with such manner and then becomes nuisance in the Society. Likewise if a father corrects the errors of the mother by slapping or beating, their children turn out to be bullies wherever they find themselves.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Poverty is also the reason we have burglers and armed robbers in every nook and cranny of our country and unless this is addressed we shall continue to sleep with only one eye closed and travel with our heart on our palms.

Lack of implementation of the law by the authorities is a thing of worry and a contributory factor to social Menace. We find those with high social status committing serious crime but the law could not catch them only those from low social class with no privileges. Hence the double standard must be dropped.

Lack of respect parents and constituted authorities, celebration of criminals (like the case of the famous thief Anini), bribery and corruption, selfishness etc. are some of the other causes of Social Menace in our Society.

Recommendations:

1. We should put God at heart as the first step to solving this problem

2. Every one should put hand together to see that every child in the society is properly brought. This can be achieved by bringing back the attitude of our earlier generations where everyone can decipline a child without questions or queries.

3. The community especially the religious leader should put more effort in discouraging what is wrong and enjoining what is right.

4. Topics like patriotism, patience, sympathy, empathy, selfishness etc. should be incorporated in our school curriculum in all level of education.

5. Double standards that is attached to the judicial system should be dropped. This will drastically reduce menace we are suffering from today.

6. Security personnel should be paid well and given other welfare so they can carry out their duties without compromise. Fully equipping them is also necessary for efficient function.

7. Parents should find better ways to solve crisis at home instead of the violent way. This will help breed children who are peaceful.

8. Let us all try to be our brothers keeper.

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