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THEOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT

TD 203 ROLE OF RELIGION IN DEVELOPMENT

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RATIONALE

The study of the role of religion on development is very important course to both theologians and

development agents. It brings the realization that religion and development work are inseparable. Every

group of people or individuals are religious in one way or the other. It almost impossible to engage

people in what they don't belief in. Development work must therefore respect peoples beliefs. Religious

beliefs must also be transformative . A religion that do not change life is seen as irrelevant.

OBJECTIVES

1. Enable the student to understand religious values are important for development.
2. Enable student understand the relationship between religion and development.
3. Enable the student to understand how religion in nature effect development efforts.
4. Enable the student spell out the certain roles that religion play in development work.
5. Enable students to become agents of change in the society through religious advocacy..

STRATEGIES

Topics to be covered are;-

- Introduction.
- Religious beliefs
- Religious values
- Religion and development work
- Role played by region in development
- Religious negative influences to development

- Religious beliefs transformation

EVALUATION

1. Write a 10-15 page double spaced term paper on, EITHER, Discuss in details the role played by religion in development.
2. OR, With examples, discuss the negative influences of religion in development and the remedy

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