AN INVESTIGATION INTO EFFECTS OF POST-MODERN WORLD VIEW ON FAITH AND PRACTICE AMONG CHRISTIANS IN NAOROBI

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ABSTRACT

- Effects of postmodernism is on the rise
- Characterized by opposition to authority
- Relativism
- Pluralism
- Objectivity
- Research contacted among selected Churches in Nairobi

CHAPTER ONE

- Introduction
- Rationality
- Relative truth
- Multiple ways of arriving at truth

BACKGROUND

- Changing trends as a result fo postmodernism
- Postmodernist are relocating religious bricks
- Upholds demonstrated faith than bible study/sermon
- Invalidate the bible
- Does not buy the idea of commitment/sacrifice

STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM

- There is a decline of religion
- Secularization is on increase
- Religion is currently facing extremist/fundamentalist
- Abortion/homosexual/naturalism
- Inclusivism

purpose

 To examine Effects of postmodernism in religious community

OBJECTIVE

 To identify effects of postmodern religious world view with an aim of establishing ways to countering/mitigating

RESEARCH QUESTIONS

- In which ways is postmodernism manifested among Christians in Nairobi?
- What are the effect of postmodernism among Christians in Nairobi County?
- How should Christians in Nairobi County counter the problem of postmodernism?

SIGNIFICANCE

 The study is significant because it creates awareness of postmodernism, exposes the effects of postmodernism and evaluate ways of countering postmodernism

JUSTIFICATION

 The study is justified because postmodernism is posing a great challenge to religious particularism

ASSUMPTION

 The study is undertaken with the assumption that religious community is unaware of challenges the postmodernism is posing to religion

SCOPE/DELIMITATION

 The scope of the study will be pastors, church leaders, mature members students leaders, and other students limitation was getting of objective observation from secular members of the society.

THEORITICAL FRAMEWORK

- Orodho (2002)-guide the investigation
- One or more theories
- Maranell
- Hilty and Morgan
- Basinger

CONCETUAL FRAMEWORK

- I.V Modernism
- D.V-The truth is relative
- -All religions are equal
- -There are many ways to god

OPERATIONAL DEFINITION OFTERMS

- Postmodernism
- Relativism
- Paradigm shift
- Theological trends

CHAPTER 2: INTRODUCTION

- Critical review of theories
- Gaps in theories
- Empirical literature

CRITICAL REVIEW OF THEORIES

- Maranell
- Hilty and Morgan
- Basinger

CRITICAL REVIEW OF EMPIRICAL STUDIES

- Premoder period
- Modern period
- Postmodern period

Postmodernism characterized by:

- Multiple ways of knowing
- Rationalism
- Subjectivity
- No absolute truth
- Absent of common rationality
- No religion/ethical laws which are universal

CHARACTERISTICS CONT:

- Opposed to traditional authority
- Defends feminist theology/homosexuals
- Against national boounderies.globalisation
- Collective ownership
- Negates/lower religious beliefs
- inclusivism

EFFECTS OF POSTMODERNISM

- Christians lack basic understanding of biblical principles
- Relativity on the issues of morality/truth
- Churches are in the process of adapting strategies to accommodate postmodernism
- Metanarratives which have no Biblical basis

EFFECTS CONT:

- Rituals practiced by some pastors have no Biblical basis
- Compromise in the name of contexualization

CHAPTER THREE

 Design outlines plan used to generate answers to research question

LOCATION

Nairobi County

RESEARCH DESIGN

Descriptive/ correlation

TARGET POPULATION

 The target population was pastors of the named Church, leaders, mature christians, student leaders, and other students.

SAMPLE/SAMPLING

- Orodho- sample is representation of target population- sampling are cases to be selected representation of all
- This research targeted 50 respondents of which 30% of the same was used for piloting purpose.

VALIDITY

- Patton (2000) define validity as measure put in place in which to conform to the establish knowledge
- Reliability has to do with some test or questions used to maintain consistency

DATA ANALYSIS

 Qualitative and quantitative design was used with qualitative statements. SPSS was used to analyze the data

CHAPTER 4: DATA ANALYSIS

- Although majority of participants were found to be conservative, it was noted that [postmodernism is growing among believers
- There were the non committal whose silence may indicate lack of enthusiasm on pspiritual matters

CHAPTER 5: RECOMMENDATION

- The church need to prepare a curriculum to counter postmodernism.
- Identify conduit of postmodernism and take steps
- Christian discipleship should be taken seriously
- Further research must be done on the same.

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