

Divorce in the Side of a Marriage Counselling Values

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ABSTRACT

At the annual conference of The American Psychiatric Association (APA) in Miami, there was a workshop entitled "Family Crisis". The results of a study said that in the last 30 years, 60% of families in the United States ended in divorce, and 70% of their children did not develop well, behave deviant or antisocial. For example, seen juvenile delinquency, abuse of NAZA (Narcotics, Alcohol, and other Addictive Substances), promiscuity, deviant sexual behavior and so on. It was also stated that divorce rates are increasing, marriages are decreasing because many people choose to live together without marriage or single life and free sex. Disloyalty (abuse) among families in the US turned out not to be the monopoly of husbands alone, but 40% of the wives there were also involved in affair with third parties. Of the five marriages in the first five years, three divorces occurred. The author gives the purpose of writing to discuss the crisis in the household, rebuild the household and give Christian values in counteracting divorce. The author uses descriptive literature research method data and provides research results: How a harmonious family can be established dynamically if we base our family building on the basis of strong Christian spirituality values accompanied by a fabric of good communication between us and our children. Surprisingly few studies have explored the implications of divorce happened because family can not be established, especially in young adulthood. This study addresses several theoretical arguments linking divorce in the side of spiritual value with reduced religious involvement in young adulthood and tests relevant hypotheses using data from a unique sample. Results show that divorce in the side of spiritual value is associated with substantially lower communicate religious involvement among young adults in their families house.

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I. DISCUSSION

In Washington D.C. at the annual conference of The American Association (APA), there was a workshop entitled "Generation in Jeopardy". In the workshop, it was described how the sexual behavior of adolescents in the US was very worrying, especially the spread of AIDS venereal disease.

Firstly, Statistics indicate that promiscuity among US adolescents is very worrying: First, 10 out of 7 teenage girls and 8 teenage boys have become one another doing promiscuity.

Second, young women are more aggressive and assertive, namely one young woman hanging out freely with her 4 male friends.

Third, every minute there are 2 pregnant teenagers, teenage pregnancy reaches 40% of all national pregnancies, of 3 births one of them out of wedlock. The result 1,200,000 extramarital pregnancies were recorded and only half of them were aborted.

Fourth, the spread of venereal disease among US adolescents is increasing, especially AIDS. Every minute 3

people get the HIV virus that causes AIDS.¹ Today AIDS is the number one killer among teenagers and young people (Dr. Harold Jaffe, 1994). Another prediction says that in 2000, AIDS was the number one killer over heart disease.²

Fifth, even though teenagers have been given sex education in schools and are taught how to prevent pregnancy and venereal disease, it turns out that sex education is backfired, venereal disease is increasing and more and more extramarital pregnancy. The evaluation results showed that 74% of them did not use condoms and other contraceptives, 65% had anal sex.

What about the case in Indonesia? Also very alarming is the setback that befalls teenagers, meaning: the increasing number of those who smoke, use drugs, commit sexual and pornographic violations, fight and so on. The data is quite alarming for example according to the Social Economic survey: in 23% of the population aged 10 years and over have smoking habits.³

More than 50% start at the age of 15-19 years. Also in 1998 the results of a survey by the Institute for Overcoming Smoking Problems stated that 59% of men and 4.8% of women aged 10 years and over were "now smokers", a