

WEEK 10: ECCLESIASTES AND SONG OF SONGS

DAY 1: WE CAN LIVE AND DIE WELL

1. Greetings to you at the beginning of a new week. This is our last week of study in Looking at the Old Testament, Part 3. In the last lesson we learned the need for depending on God.

When we think how God's ways are above man's ways, as explained by Ecclesiastes, who must depend on God? _____

2. All people must depend on God. We shall finish our study of Ecclesiastes today and tomorrow. In the later chapters, the preacher seems to be thinking more clearly. In chapter 8 he begins to tell us how to live well and die well. This is what we will learn today. In order to live well and die well, those who fear God must:

- (1) Give freely
- (2) Serve always

Take your Bible now and read Ecclesiastes 8:10 to 13. Read verse 12 again. The preacher says it will be well with those who do what? _____

3. It will be well with those who fear God. They will live well and die well. They can do this by giving freely and serving always. But many men will not die well.

Ecclesiastes 8:11:

Because sentence (or punishment) against an evil deed is not executed (or given) speedily, the heart of the sons of men is fully set to do evil.

Do men die for their sins as soon as they do them? _____

4. Punishment for sin does not always come immediately. But those who disobey God do not live well or die well. They do not give freely to others, and they do not serve God and others. They are spiritually dead.

Ecclesiastes 8:12-13:

Though a sinner does evil a hundred times and prolongs his life, yet I know that it will be well with those who fear God, because they fear before him; but it will not be well with the wicked, neither will he prolong his days like a shadow, because he does not fear before God.

If we want to give and serve and die well, what must we do first to God? _____

5. We must fear God. Then He will give us power to give freely and serve always. Even though the preacher thinks all is vanity, he knows we should fear God. When he thinks of this, he begins to tell us good things.

From Proverbs 14:27 we learned that the fear of the Lord is a fountain of what?

The preacher says that when those who fear God give and serve, they will live well. What else will they do well?

6. They will also die well. From Proverbs we learned that the fear of the Lord is a fountain of life. Now Ecclesiastes tells how those who fear God can live and die well. They should: (1) Give freely
(2) Serve always

Erasto says, "I cannot give anything to poor people. Perhaps I shall become poor some day. Then I shall need all that I have."

But read what the preacher says. Read Ecclesiastes 11:1 to 6. Read verse 1 again. What does this verse say will happen if we throw our bread upon the water?

7. If we throw our bread upon the water, it will return after many days. This means that if we give freely, God will reward us. The promise is that your gift will come back to you at a later time. It may not return in the same way you gave it, but you will receive blessing. It will be like a harvest for seed you have planted. But those who plant must not wait until everything looks good. If they do, they will never get a harvest.

Ecclesiastes 11:4:

He who observes (or looks at) the wind will not sow; and he who regards the clouds will not reap.

Should we give freely, or should we give only when it looks as if we will get a reward?

8. We should give freely. We should not be waiting for something good in return. We should leave that to God.

Ecclesiastes 11:5:

As you do not know how the spirit comes to the bones in the womb of a woman with child, so you do not know the work of God who makes everything.

Elizabeth says, "I cannot serve other people. I do not have a high position and I am not rich."

Do you have to have a high position and be rich in order to give freely and serve always?

9. You do not have to have a high position. God wants us to serve in the places where we are. He wants us to serve always.

What is the first way to live well and die well?

(1) _____

(2) Serve always.

10. First he wants us to give freely. Reuben says, "I have been giving and serving for a long time but I have received nothing in return. It has not yet come back to me."

Ecclesiastes 11:6:

In the morning (while you are young) sow your seed, and at evening (when you are old) withhold not your hand; for you do not know which will prosper, this or that, or whether both alike will be good.

From this verse, does the time ever come when a person should stop serving?

11. That time never comes. All our lives we must be busy for the Lord. We must be serving always. We must not do good deeds because we want a reward. We do them because we love God and people.

What is the first way to live well and die well?

(1) _____

(2) Serve always

12. We must give freely. We must also serve always. We must not wait for everything to look good. And we must not try to work in our own strength.

Ephesians 6:10:

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.

In whose strength should we serve always? _____

13. We should serve always in the strength of the Lord. Christians who serve always, even when they do not see a reward, have great joy. The man who plants grain expects a harvest, and this is right. The man who does daily work for another expects wages, and this is right. But if a neighbour is ill, I should help him harvest without expecting him to pay me. I do this work because I love my neighbour and want to serve him. Perhaps he will help me some day. But I do not ask for it. Perhaps I shall forget that I helped him.

Have you ever had a person remind you of a good deed which you did but forgot about?

14. If you did, this is good. It shows that you want to serve.

Ecclesiastes 11:8:

If a man live many years, let him rejoice in them all.

The preacher is telling us how to live well and die well. We can have joy now if we fear God. We shall also have joy in heaven.

How can those who fear God live well and die well?

(1) Give freely.

(2) _____

15. We must serve always. It will not always be easy. Look at the rest of this verse.

Ecclesiastes 11:8:

If a man live many years, let him rejoice in them all; but let him remember that the days of darkness will be many.

We shall have some hard times in this world. But we can still rejoice because God is with us. He is helping us. Life in this world is very short. But we can live and die well. We can pray to God about everything that happens -- the joyful things and the difficult things.

How can those who fear God live well and die well?

(1) _____

(2) Serve always.

16. We can give freely. We can have joy because we share with others. Some day the end of life will come to all of us. Let us prepare to meet our God. Let us prepare in both faith and works. Then we can leave this world rejoicing. The things which belong to this world alone are vanity. They are empty. But the things which belong to the kingdom of God remain forever.

From Ecclesiastes chapters 8 to 11, how can those who love God live well and die well?

(1) Give freely.

(2) _____

17. We must give freely and serve always. Many times we are tempted to think that life is nothing. We think with Ecclesiastes that all is vanity. At such times we must remember how the book of Ecclesiastes ends. We can live well and die well.

Your people need to know this truth. Prepare a lesson to give or a sermon to preach from today's lesson. On another paper write the big things you will say. Preach the sermon if you can. Bring your paper to class.

18. From Ecclesiastes 8 to 11, how can those who fear God live well and die well?

(1) _____

(2) _____

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DAY 2: SEEK GOD WHILE YOU ARE YOUNG

1. From Ecclesiastes 8 to 11, how can those who fear God live well and die well?

(1) _____

(2) _____

2. They must give freely and serve always. Life is not vanity. It is not empty if a person loves God with his whole heart. At the end of Ecclesiastes the writer sees much truth. He has said that all is vanity and life is useless. But when he thinks about it, he knows that what man does will be judged. Let us learn these things from Ecclesiastes 12:

A person should seek God while he is young.

The end of the matter and the whole duty of man is to:

(1) Fear God, and

(2) Keep His commandments.

Take your Bible now and read Ecclesiastes 12:1 to 8 and 13 to 14. Read verse 1 again. Whom should we remember in the days of our youth? _____

3. We should remember the Creator. This is God. We remember Him first for the way in which He created the earth. We remember Him for the way He created man. At first Adam and Eve were without sin, but then they disobeyed God. They were separated from Him. Later God made a way for man to come back to Him through Christ.

Does Ecclesiastes say it is better for us to become children of God while we are young, or to wait until we are old? _____

4. We should begin to love God when we are young. When we remember God, we remember also that we are sinners. Only God can save us. He created us and wants us to be His children. He wants us to be happy. The preacher goes on to say how it is when we are old. The verses which you read tell about the way an old person has trouble seeing, eating, and walking.

Ecclesiastes 12:3:

in the day when the keepers of the house tremble ; or the hands shake; and the strong men are bent, and the grinders (or teeth) cease because they are few, and those that look through the windows are dimmed (or the eyes are blind).

Can we be truly happy when we forget God? _____

5. We cannot be happy when we forget God. A person should seek God while he is young. We should help young people seek God. Children can learn to know God through family prayers.

Edwin's father was a Christian. Every evening his father called all the family together. They had a time of reading the Bible and praying. Edwin was still very small but his father helped him pray. He helped him know what to say.

Have you sometimes heard children say strange things in their prayers? _____

6. Children sometimes pray strange things. But I do not think God laughs when they pray for their dog. They are learning slowly what it means to pray.

Many years later Edwin became a teacher. He said, "I began to pray long before I understood what I was doing. Now I am thankful that my father taught me to talk with God. Prayer is a big part of my life."

While a person is young, he should remember whom? _____

7. He should seek God. Children should begin to learn about God in the home. They should also learn about Him in church Sunday School. Sunday School teachers should be people who know the word of God. They should be true Christians and love children. It is good for young people to learn to sing songs about God. But that is not enough. They must find Him as their own Saviour.

A person should seek God while he is what? _____

8. A person should seek God while he is young. In the home and in Sunday School children should be taught:

- to thank God for what He has done,
- to ask God for things which they need,
- to expect God to answer their prayers,
- to ask God to save them from sin.

When children learn God's word they learn what sin is. They learn that sin brings suffering and eternal death.

When children learn these things about sin, will they want to forget God, or to remember Him?

9. They will want to remember Him. Some children and young people are quiet. They are afraid to pray or to speak about God. We can begin by having each one pray just a few words. Or we can ask each one to praise God for only one thing. Slowly the quiet ones will learn not to be afraid. Their words for God do not have to be long. I have heard some very good words spoken by children and young people who love God.

From Ecclesiastes 12:1, when should a person remember God? _____

10. A person should remember God while he is young. We do not honour God if we give the best years of our lives to Satan. God has great mercy. He does save old people who truly repent. But they have wasted many years. Ecclesiastes gives us a big reason why it is good for the young person to remember God.

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14:

The end of the matter, all has been heard. Fear God, and keep his commandments; for this is the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil.

Does the preacher say that to fear God and keep His commandments is the beginning or end of the matter? _____

11. This is the end of the matter. This is the whole duty of man:

- (1) Fear God
- (2) Keep His commandments

What book ends by telling us these two things? _____

12. This is the book of Ecclesiastes. We have learned the preacher's subject, his problem and his questions. Now we are learning the end of the matter. In Proverbs we learned much about fearing the Lord. We learned that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge. We also learned that the fear of the Lord is a fountain of life.

In the end of Ecclesiastes we are told again to do what to God? _____

13. We are told to fear Him. Solomon had stopped worshipping God truly. But he knew the real way to life.

What did he say is the end of the matter and the whole duty of man?

- (1) _____
- (2) Keep His commandments

14. The end of the matter is that we should fear God. Let us see the preacher's words again.

Ecclesiastes 12:13:

The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God, and keep his commandments; for this is the whole duty of man.

As he finishes his book, what does the preacher say we should do to God's commandments? _____

15. We should keep them. This means that we should obey them. Only God can show us the right way to go. Only He can make our lives worth living. Only He can help us live well and die well.

What has God given us which we must keep if we want to do the whole duty of man? _____

16. We must keep His commandments. Of course we cannot do this by ourselves. We must have God's help. And we must remember that we will be judged by Him.

Ecclesiastes 12:14:

For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil.

From Ecclesiastes 12:1, when should a person remember God? _____

From Ecclesiastes 12:13, what is the end of the matter and the whole duty of man?

(1) _____

(2) _____

17. A person should remember God while he is young. The end of the matter and the whole duty of man is to fear God and keep His commandments.

Many Christians are needed to lead children and young people to Christ. Parents and Sunday School teachers are not the only ones who should help young people.

Who are some others who should be leading children to Christ? _____

18. Perhaps you said pastors, members of the church, and school teachers. All Christians should be working to lead people to Christ.

From Ecclesiastes 12:1, when should a person remember God? _____

From Ecclesiastes 12:13, what is the end of the matter and the whole duty of man?

(1) _____

(2) _____

WEEK 10: ECCLESIASTES AND SONG OF SONGS
DAY 3: CHRIST IS THE BRIDEGROOM

1. Today and tomorrow we shall study the last of the five books of songs. This last book is sometimes called the Song of Solomon. But many times it is called the Song of Songs.

From Ecclesiastes 12:1, when should a person remember God? _____

From Ecclesiastes 12:13 what is the end of the matter and the whole duty of man?

(1) _____

(2) _____

2. A person should remember God while he is young. The end of the matter in Ecclesiastes is: Fear God and keep His commandments. Perhaps you remember that King Solomon wrote 3,000 proverbs and 1,005 songs. Some people say that this last book is his best song. Song of Songs is a book of love. Today we shall learn:

(1) In the spiritual teaching of Song of Songs Christ is the bridegroom.

(2) The church is the bride.

(3) In the New Testament, the bridegroom gave His life because of His great love.

Take your Bible now and read Song of Songs 1:5 to 8. Does this sound like any songs which you know? _____

3. Nearly all people have songs about love. Some songs may sound like this one at first. But this song is special. It sings about love and it teaches a very special lesson. This book is not for children. Some adults do not like it because it speaks so clearly about love. But it is not wrong to speak in this way, about the pure love of marriage.

Song of Songs 1:1:

The Song of Songs, which is Solomon's.

Who gave all the writers of the Bible wisdom to write? _____

4. God gave men wisdom to write the Bible. Why did God have Solomon write the Song of Songs? Many people have studied it carefully. They also believe it praises the true love of husband and wife. They also believe it shows the love between Christ and the church. As we think about this we find great blessing. We should read the book thinking of the bridegroom as Christ and the bride as the church.

Who wrote the book called Song of Songs showing the love between Christ and the church? _____

5. **Song of Songs was written by Solomon. It is a song of love. The bridegroom is the man who is ready to be married. This shows Christ. The bridegroom speaks or sings to the bride.**

Song of Songs 1:16:

Behold you are beautiful, my beloved, truly lovely.

When there is a Christian wedding, does the bridegroom want to be near the bride or far away from her? _____

6. **A Christian bridegroom wants to be near his bride. He loves her. He wants to take care of her and protect her.**

In Song of Songs, who is the bridegroom who loves the church? _____

7. **In Song of Songs the bridegroom is Christ. He wants to be near the one He loves. He wants to care for His followers. He wants fellowship with His people. Christ in His love will take away the sins of all who receive Him as Saviour. This makes the bride clean and without spots.**

Songs of Songs 4:7:

You are all fair, my love; there is no flaw (or something which spoils) in you.

In the spiritual teaching of Song of Songs, who is the bride? _____

8. **The bride is the church. It is those who have received Christ as Saviour. It is those who have been cleansed from sin. Because all people have sinned, all need a Saviour.**

Romans 3:23:

since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Mark 10:45:

For the Son of man (or Christ) also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Who gave His life for the church? _____

9. **Christ gave His life for the church. He wants a true church. He does not want people who call themselves members, but are still enjoying sin. Christ gave His life so people could become His true followers. Christ is happy about the bride.**

Isaiah 62:5:

As the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

In the spiritual teaching of Song of Songs, who is the bridegroom? _____

Who is the bride? _____

10. The bridegroom is Christ. The bride is the church. The church is the bride of Christ. He rejoices because of those who accept His salvation from sin. He loves the church.

What big thing did Christ give for the bride to save her from sin? _____

11. He gave His life for her.

Ephesians 5;25-26:

Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word.

Christ gave His life for whom as His bride? _____

12. Christ gave His life for the church. He calls the church His bride. He loves the church as a bridegroom loves his bride.

Song of Songs 2:4:

He brought me to the banqueting (or feasting) house, and his banner over me was love.

Proverbs tells about wisdom. Ecclesiastes tells about vanity. Song of Songs tells about love.

All three of these books were written by whom? _____

13. God gave Solomon the wisdom to write these three books. In Song of Songs the bridegroom is Christ. The New Testament tells us that Christ will come some day to receive His bride.

Matthew 25:6:

But at midnight there was a cry, "Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him."

Who is the bride of Christ? _____

14. The bride of Christ is the church. The true church is made of people who have been washed from sin. Their hearts have been washed in the blood of Christ.

Who gave His life for the church? _____

15. Christ did this. Therefore the church should serve Christ with joy and not by force. Christ wants to make His bride clean. He wants every believer to be free from even the smallest sin.

Ephesians 5:27:

That he might present the church to himself in splendor (or glory), without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

In the New Testament what did the groom give for the bride because of His great love?

16. He gave His life for the church. Christ wants His church to be holy and without spot. He wants the bride to be without sin. When Christ returns He will receive only those who are ready.

Think about these questions but do not write answers. Are you ready in your heart for Christ's coming? Are you working hard to help others become ready?

17. Let us talk about this together.

In the spiritual teaching of Song of Songs, who is the bridegroom? _____

Who is the bride? _____

In the New Testament that did the bridegroom give for the bride because of His great love?

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DAY 4: MY BELOVED IS MINE AND I AM HIS

1. We see that the short book of Song of Songs has deep teaching. It is a song of love.

In the spiritual teaching of Song of Songs, who is the bridegroom?

Who is the bride? _____

In the New Testament what did the groom give for the bride because of His great love?

2. The bridegroom is Christ; the bride is the church. Because of His great love, Christ gave His life. Song of Songs tells about the great love of Christ for the church. It also tells about the love of the church for Christ. We can learn much from this song about how we should love Him. The most important words of this book were spoken by the bride. Let us learn them this way.

The main thought of the book is found in Song of Songs 2:16: My beloved is mine and I am his.

Take your Bible now and read Song of Songs 2:14 to 17. Read verse 16 again. In this verse, the bridegroom belongs to the bride. The bride belongs to whom?

3. The bride belongs to the bridegroom: She calls him her beloved. The bride loves the bridegroom very much. This reminds us of the prayer of Jesus about His disciples.

John 17:9-10:

... for they are thine; all mine are thine, and thine are mine, and I am glorified in them.

The bride wants to honour the bridegroom. The Christians in the church should honour whom?

4. Christians should honour Christ. He is our bridegroom. We can say these words to honour Him and show Him our love.

Song of Songs 2:16:

My beloved is mine and I am his.

Just before these words, the bridegroom speaks of the bride. He says she is like a dove hiding in the rocks. The dove is a peaceful, gentle bird.

Song of Songs 2:14:

O my dove, in the clefts (or holes) of the rock, in the covert (or cave) of the cliff, let me see your face, let me hear your voice, for your voice is sweet and your face is comely (or beautiful).

Think about the baptism of Jesus. We read that the Holy Spirit came upon Jesus like what? If you cannot remember read Matthew 3:16.

5. The Holy Spirit came like a dove. The people of the church should be strong, but they should be gentle like a dove. Only the Holy Spirit can change us and make us like that. We must be like the bride. We must go often to pray and have fellowship with Christ. We may not be among the rocks but we can be in a quiet place.

I Corinthians 10:4:

and all drank the same supernatural (or spiritual) drink. For they drank from the supernatural Rock which followed them, and the Rock was Christ.

This verse speaks of fellowship with Christ. What is Christ called in this verse?

6. Christ is called the Rock. We must go to Him often. We cannot have His strength unless we spend much time with Him. The bride belongs to the bridegroom and he belongs to her.

Read Song of Songs 2:16 again in your Bible. Draw lines under the words so you can find them easily. Then copy them here.

7. These are the words which give us the main thought of Song of Songs: My beloved is mine and I am His. The bride loves to hear her bridegroom's voice. He wants her to walk with Him and enjoy life.

Song of Songs 2:10-12:

My beloved speaks and says to me: "Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; for lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come.

In the spiritual teaching of this book, who is the beloved bridegroom? _____

8. The bridegroom is Christ. There was a time when the bride broke fellowship with her bridegroom. She said that she cared for gardens that were not His. But she could not care for other gardens and her beloved's gardens at the same time. The New Testament warns us about this.

Matthew 6:24:

No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other.

What book has the teaching: My beloved is mine and I am His? _____

9. This is the book, Song of Songs. It helps us to see that we belong only to Christ. The bride says: My beloved is mine and I am His. The bridegroom receives the bride with joy because He loves her. Christ loves the sinner and receives all who repent.

Christ loves us but He does not force us to love Him. What must we do in order to become the bride of Christ? _____

10. There are three or four answers which can be given. We must choose to leave sin and follow Jesus. We must repent. We must receive Christ as our Saviour. We must choose to be a part of His church.

When our hearts are fixed on God, we are strong. We do not need to listen to the temptations of Satan.

Song of Songs 8:7:

Many waters cannot quench (or make an end of) love, neither can floods drown it.

Where do we find the words: My beloved is mine and I am His? Look in your Bible if you need to. _____

11. These words are found in Song of Songs 2:16. Words almost like them are spoken again by the bride a little later.

Song of Songs 6:3:

I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine.

How are these words written in Song of Songs 2:16? My beloved is mine and _____

12. The main thought is Song of Songs 2:16: My beloved is mine and I am His. The bridegroom wants fruit from his bride. This is what the bride says about this.

Song of Songs 7:13:

... over our doors are all choice fruits, new as well as old, which I have laid up for you, O my beloved.

Galatians 5:22-23:

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.

What is the first and greatest fruit of the Spirit? _____

13. The first and greatest fruit of the Spirit is love. All the others are parts of love. Without love, the church cannot please God. The bride speaks of her beloved again in this way.

Song of Songs 7:10:

I am my beloved's and his desire is for me.

Who said: My beloved is mine and I am His? _____

14. The bride said this. We as the church are the bride. It is surprising to think that Christ wants us so much. He loves us. He is waiting to take His bride. Song of Songs shows His great love.

What words in Song of Songs 2:16 give the main thought of the book? _____

15. The words are: My beloved is mine and I am His. But the bride must make herself ready.

Revelation 10:7-8:

Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready; it was granted her to be clothed with fine linen (or beautiful clothes), bright and pure.

Perhaps you did not know before this lesson how much Christ loves us. Perhaps you did not know that we will be with Him as His bride. Find a friend with whom you can share this thought. Explain the teaching of this lesson to him.

16. What words in Song of Songs 2:16 give the main thought of the book? _____

WEEK 10: ECCLESIASTES AND SONG OF SONGS
DAY 5: REVISION

1. We have spent many days learning about the songs of the Bible. We have looked at the five books of songs. Let us remember the teachings. Let us put them into our lives. Let us sing to God who loves us.

Today we shall go over what we have learned in the last two weeks. Then we shall go over everything we have learned. Take three or four days for this revision if you can. If you know all these answers you have learned well.

Questions from Week 9.

1. In Ecclesiastes 1:2, what was the preacher's subject? _____

2. In the book of Ecclesiastes, what was the preacher's problem? _____

3. What big question did the preacher ask? _____

What was his own answer? _____

4. Ecclesiastes shows that the people of Israel in the Old Testament did not have a clear understanding of what? _____

Through whom did this clear understanding come? _____

5. When we think how God's ways are above man's ways as explained by the preacher, who must depend on God? _____

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Questions from week 10.

6. From Ecclesiastes 8 to 11, how can those who fear God live well and die well?

(1) _____

(2) _____

7. From Ecclesiastes 12:13, what is the end of the matter and the whole duty of man?

(1) _____

(2) _____

8. In the spiritual teaching of Song of Songs, who is the bridegroom? _____
Who is the bride? _____

In the New Testament what did this bridegroom give for the bride because of His great love?

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The *Africa Inland Church* has 400 of their church leaders studying TEE. Centre leaders are trained while in Bible College or in special seminars. A detailed and comprehensive TEE handbook is available in English and Swahili.

The *Pentecostal Assemblies of God* have had 1500 students finish one or more TEE courses. There are nearly 100 centres. Bible College students are trained to become TEE centre leaders. The program has been open to any potential church leader but the major focus is to train the preaching elders of branch churches.

The *Africa Gospel Church* has been very active in TEE since 1972. They have 75 centres with more than 475 students (Kalenjin language). The goal is that, by 1980, all AGC preachers will have had some theological training. All centre leaders meet together for a seminar several times a year. Some TEE students conduct branch centres where they lead others.

The *Nakuru Diocese of CPK [Anglican]* has more than 1300 students in 97 centres (Swahili language). Vicars select centre leaders and TEE students who are "called to minister." These are sent for additional residential training and are then commissioned to minister in churches while continuing with further studies. They have also begun TEE at a higher level to prepare students for the Religious Education course at University.

The *Pentecostal Evangelistic Fellowship of Africa* TEE program has 17 centres with 130 students, arranged under area coordinators. Completion of seven courses earns a certificate and 35 courses achieves diploma level.

Other active groups include the *Baptist Church of Kenya* who have more than 200 students, the *Church of God [Anderson]*, also with several hundred students, and the *Kenya Assemblies of God*. Some of these have written their own program material.

A 1979 development is the proposed Evangelical TEE Committee of Kenya which will function in the following areas: sharing information; cooperation in TEE leadership training and in the production of vernacular texts; organizing workshops and conferences; coordinating extension training with residential theological programs.

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