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LACK OF SECURITY CONSCIOUSNESS

 In our country, we have lots of criminal activities going on and it seems to be increasing daily even in our current situation. We ourselves are part of the reasons there is an increase in crime rate in our country. We fail to do our part to reduce the crimes all we do is complain when we another crime has been committed and it isn’t helping. In order to curb these criminal practices we ourselves have to be security conscious. We need to be aware of our surroundings at all time.

 I would like to start with the crimes which have been happening lately in our community which is rape and how we can curb it. Rape is a form of sexual assault that involves having sexual intercourse with a person without their consent or with the use of force. Women in most cases are the major victims of rape. These can leave the victim in serious trauma and can change a person’s mindset about life. Some of these people end up getting pregnant, which brings another burden upon them while some get infected with the HIV virus. Due to all these many rape victims result to committing suicide which is also another problem in our society. If we can’t curb the little faults leading to larger faults how are we going to curb the bigger problems we have.

 Now I would like to talk about how different ways in which rape can be curbed relating to our security. First of all, know the kind of people you keep as friends and the places you hang out with them. Always take note of your surroundings and if you notice anything suspicious don’t hesitate to leave the area or vicinity and ensure to report to the rights authorities like the police to investigate the matter. Then also the way we dress sends signals to other people and also classifies us as who we are. Wearing very revealing dresses is also a cause of rape, revealing dresses can be very tempting and you never know when you are in the sight of a rapist. Learn to dress proper for different occasions. Another way is always walk with someone, do not go to places without someone knowing your where about.

 There are also legal defense equipment, you can get a pepper spray and take it out with you. In that way you have a little bit of defense against anybody trying to force themselves on you. All in all, the ways to curb rape is not all left on us by the way. We need to improve our security in our country. The police force should try their best to roam the streets in numbers to help protect people and drive around in case of any problem they can easily get informed and rush to the crime scene.

 Another popular criminal case we are facing in this country is kidnapping. Kidnapping is the unlawful abduction of a person against their will. The victims would either be tortured or their family would be asked for a sum of money to pay as ransom. Sometimes the victim ends up dying which will leave the family in pain. The victim also goes through the pain of not been able to forget the torture he/she went through. One of the ways to curb kidnapping is by staying away from strangers, avoid going to meet strangers alone in secret places. And if you have to go, go with a friend and let your family members know about your where about time to time. And do not visit a place without having full knowledge of the activities that go on in the place. And kidnappers have lots of tricks, so do not believe every information you hear, do more research before going into whatever it is.

 Armed robbery is also very common in our country, Nigeria. People lose a lot of properties, money and even their lives due to armed robbery. To prevent armed robbery and also to defend yourselves against one. You need to make sure your house isn’t easy to break in. Getting a guard dog is very useful as it helps in fending of strangers. Majorly, when at home alone never open the door for strangers. Also use burglar proof windows and burglar alarm in your house.

 With all these being said I hope we would be able to try our best and help in the curbing of the crimes by being more security conscious. And helping enlightening the public about security consciousness.