

NAME : ATEKOJA VICTORIA IBUKUNOLUWA

MATRIC NUMBER : 22/SMS01/008

ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT

AFE 122 ASSIGNMENT ON GOOD MORNING SODOM

A.THEMES OF GOOD MORNING, SODOM

1. PEER PRESSURE:

Peer pressure is when you are influenced by other people (your peers) to act in a certain way.

From the book Good Morning Sodom, there are several acts of peer pressure stated. The first act of peer pressure is :

a. Keziah and her friends, Ovie and Bunmi:

In the beginning of the play, we saw that Keziah was a disciplined and focused student. She followed all the rules her parents set for her and she was determined to do well in her studies. When she met a boy named Demola, her life took a tragic turn. He kept on pushing her to go out with him but she always rejected his advances.

One day, Keziah's friends, Ovie and Bunmi pressured her into going out with him which led to her getting raped by Demola; if she hadn't been pressured into going out with him, she could have prevented the fateful incident.

b. Demola and his friend K.K:

Demola was a good boy who was also good at his studies and he had a crush on a girl named Keziah who he kept asking out and she kept rejecting his advances. When his friend, K.K heard this, he pressured him into drugging and raping his crush; Keziah. Demola was also pressured into joining a cult group which led to his untimely demise.

2. RAPE :

This is the crime, typically committed by a man, of forcing another person to have sexual intercourse with the offender against their will. In the book, Good Morning Sodom there are several acts of rape:

a. Keziah and Demola:

In the first theme we know that Keziah was pressurized by her friends into going out with Demola which resulted to her going to his house and thereby getting drugged and raped by Demola which led to her getting pregnant.

b. Stella and the Pastor's sons:

When Keziah narrated what happened to her to stella, we were made to know that Stella was also raped when she was 14 years by her pastor's son. Stella was accompanying her father to his pastors house when an accident aroused and her father and the pastor had to leave so she was left with her pastor's sons who deceived her and gang raped her with their friend.

3. REGRET AND SORROW:

They are several acts of regrets and sorrow in the book

The first act was Keziah regretting the day she met and accepted Demola's advances, because it led to her being drugged and raped by Demola. If she hadn't met him, none of these tragic incidents would have happened to her.

The second act was Demola regretting drugging and raping Keziah, he thought that would bring her closer to him but instead it made Keziah hate and resent him.

The third act was K.K regretting making Demola do terrible things which led to his demise, which included making him rape a girl, introducing him to drugs and also making him join a cult group The fourth act was Mr and Mrs Diran regretting not monitoring their son well. If they had paid more attention and cared about him, he wont have joined bad companies.

4. LACK OF PARENTAL CARE:

This is the inability of families to care for children due to poverty, disability, domestic violence, abuse or neglect, addiction or other forms of substance abuse. If Demola had gotten enough care and attention from his parents he wouldn't have been in a situation whereby his guardian who was guarding him in school on how to act and behave. It was his friend K.K who mislead him towards the wrong pathm and eventually killing him, his parents later understood the consequence of their action but it was already too late.

5. CULTISM :

Cultism is a religious or social group whose beliefs are secret, individualistic, and esoteric. Cultism involves carrying out some ritualistic practices. Cultists share common objectives and ideas known or unknown to society, but some leaders hide their intentions from members.

The book talks about cultism and its adverse effects. Normally people join cults due to peer pressure and that was the case of Demola. Demola did not really have anyone to instruct him on how to behave in school because his parents did not really pay attention to his school life or him so his friend K.K took that opportunity to pressure him joining a cult claiming it will help his life but it didn't instead it took his life.

B. ATTEMPT DETAILED CHARACTER ANALYSES OF ANY THREE CHARACTERS IN SOLOMON A EDEBOR'S GOOD MORNING SODOM

1. Keziah :

Keziah is a well mannered girl that is very diligent and good at her studies, she respects her parent and loves them dearly. She doesn't want to get involved in bad things because she respects the rules her parents gave her, but she was pressured into going out with a boy who eventually drugged, raped and then impregnating her, which caused her parents to not trust and stigmatise her. She attempted committing suicide but failed. Her parents later forgave her and she gave birth to a bouncing baby girl and was given the opportunity to go to school again.

2. Demola:

Demola was a good boy who was good at his studies and had a crush on a girl named Keziah whom he loved dearly, and tried to get in a relationship with her but she always decline his advances. Seeing this Demola,s friend KK pressured demola into luring Keziah to his house, drugging her and taking advantage of her which eventually lead to her pregnancy. Demola was also deceived into taking drugs, joining a cult group which led to his untimely demise.

3. Stella :

Stella is Keziah's friend who is a very good influence on her, she is well mannered and is always encouraging Keziah to be the best she can be. She helped Keziah accept her pregnancy by telling her about the story of how she got raped by her pastor's sons and then completely forgetting about God, which eventually led her to sleeping with various men but God didn't forget her and showed her way back to him.

C. POINTS OF DIVERGENCE BETWEEN THE PUBLISHED AND THE FILM VERSION OF GOOD MORNING, SODOM?

1. In the third movement, the film showed that there was a scene where Dr Yusuf was interrupted by some students who were late to his lecture, while in the book he only cleared his throat and continued his lecture.
2. In the third movement, the film showed that Demola did not say hello to Ovie and Bunmi but in the book he did.
3. In the sixth movement, the film shows Stella packing her clothes from the line when Emmanuella appeared but in the book she wakes up from a bad dream.
4. In the eight movement, in the book k.k was the one that brought the calabash for the new members to drink from but in the film it was not k.k.
5. In the sixth movement, the book states that Stella stretched out to console Keziah on the bed but in the film there was no such thing.
6. In the eight movement, It shows in the film that there were 2 new cult members in the group but in book there were three also it said in the book that demola was part of the new members but in the film he was not.
7. In the twelfth movement, the book states that Keziah's parents came to pick her up from the hospital but in the film it was only her mother and the driver.
8. In the sixth movement, the film shows that there was only one man carrying the cloths but in the book it states that there were four.
9. In the thirteenth movement, it is stated in the book that the DPO is a woman but in the film the DPO is a man.
10. In the eighteenth movement, it was stated in the book that Mrs Richards asked the doctor if Keziah could go home but in the film it is not mentioned at all