MY SOON-TO-BE HAPPY ROLE

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What is my role in life?

This query bombarded me as the word 'teacher' came across my senses as I prepared the documents needed for my application as a teacher in public schools. Although there is nothing remarkable about the question, its pertinence to my present circumstances has a deep impact.

In my entire existence in this world, I have portrayed numerous and various roles. And mostly, I have satisfyingly surpassed the expectation set for such role. According to Biddles (1979) Role Theory, people are socialized or conditioned to play roles in a way that helps maintain a stable society or social order. Role theory examined the behaviors that are characteristic of people within situation or contexts and various processes that produce, explain, or predict those behaviors. Role theory contains four major underlying propositions. First, a number of conducts are designed and establish a role and are attributively tasked by a person within a situation or context. Second, roles often involve social position, or are characteristic of a person in the role who shares common identity. Third, roles often have expectations meaning that people know when someone is playing a role, and so have expectations about what behaviors that person will perform when playing the role. Fourth, roles persist time because they are often embedded in larger social system. Fifth, people must be taught roles, or be socialized into them, and may find joy or sorrow when play different roles

More so, this theory describes how an individual takes and performs specified roles in the society. This theory also rested on the important roles played by the graduates
in the institution or work they belonged to. Same as, this theory underscores the applicants prospective roles played in the success of their target schools and the success of their future institution or work.

Having an in depth consideration regarding this notion, the most pertinent factor to notch a specific role in life is to be happy. Having the zest to portray the roles given to you will help you enjoy the journey even in the presence of the unfavourable situation. And this is what I assured myself first before I decided to finally take a chance to apply as a public educational practitioner.

Am I happy to become a teacher? Will I enjoy the moment of handling diverse students? Am I enthusiast enough not to get tried in this profession? Will I grow old in this profession? Does teaching profession mould me to become a better and happier one?

I may sound ideal but this is what I feel at the moment. Given a chance, I will always go back to the idea that the role of being a teacher is a genuine and a happy one.

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