Non-Superior

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Being a teacher gives us the chance to lead a group, specifically our students. By doing so, we become the person in authority in class. But when I read Romans 13:1, it was discussed there that “None of has any authority of our own. All authority comes from God.” It is true that the person who has the source of knowledge can be authorized to make others follow. Consequently, he becomes superior. Unfortunately, this belief is only on the surface. We have to remember that being superior toward someone does not give us the right nor power to make others feel inferior toward us. We do that sometimes. Yes, we are guilty even without being charged.

Most of the time, when we teach lessons, we tend to feel that sense of pride when we see and discover that our students really do not have any idea regarding the topic we are discussing. That is just fine. But when we give exams and students failed or nobody got a perfect score, we should not have the same feeling anymore. We should not feel glad that we still have something they do not know. If we think like that, that only means that we are insecure of our abilities.

In furtherance, only those who are certain of their abilities can freely share and impart what they have. Competing with our mentees is not good. In fact, we should be the first to stand and clap if they exceeded us. Why? Because if they didn’t make it, we were also unable to make it. We are their mentors; hence, if they didn’t get a perfect score, the deficiency will reflect back to us.
Our students are our reflections. We make ourselves great as we make others greater than us. Let us stop from feeling too superior toward others. It won’t do us good. What we have to do today is to teach others, so they can also do the same in the future.

We may be in authority right now, but God has only given us that chance to inspire others in order for everyone to experience touching the sky and glorifying God.

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