TEACHERS ARE MODERN PARENTS TOO

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Teachers play a very important role in the interpretation of life’s various lessons. We are the examples of living. Our pupils inherit traits, imitate behaviour and speak their vocabulary. Our sports become the sports of our pupils. Our music are absorbed by the consciousness of our pupils.

It is therefore the duty of us teachers to endorse our pupils to their chosen church at an early age so that truth which the pupils learned will find a soft place in their conviction that formed the core of their personal doctrines, life style and world view.

Disciplining our pupils is not just a correction of youth errors. It is a day to day reminder through words and example about proper behaviour, decorum and ethics. Effective discipline includes not only extinguishing appropriate behaviour, but also teaching the child the reason when he or she is already old enough to understand.

Sometimes, teachers resort to using negative procedure in disciplining their erring pupils. For there are teachers who often stop temper tantrums by using negative punishments such as spanking, a cold shower or walking away from the misbehaving pupils. Such techniques may work but its effectiveness is only temporary. However, it is the goal of parents to rear the child with a healthy sense of self worth, then these are not the best techniques to apply.

Quoted, “Education ----is painful, continual and difficult work to be done in kindness, watching, by warning, ----by praise, but above all----by example.” (John Ruskin). Teachers’ sacrifice is a necessary virtue in maintaining the stability, unity and happiness of the home. This is true along the areas of finance, management and relationship.
Indeed, lessons of life are taught in the classrooms of actual living the greatest impact they can give to them is the foundation of children which they lay down in matters of faith, discipline, self-independence and endurance. These are the virtue worth emulation.

Quoted, “The teacher never stopped believing that in her profession, being a second parent to the student will not end despite of problems encountered like this because she loved being a teacher, and a mother with uplifted moral values to maintain in lifetime without expecting rewards on earth, with the help and guidance of the Holy Father in Heaven.”

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