THE ESSENCE OF MODESTY

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Nowadays high-tech gadgets, signature clothing, shoes, jewelries flooded our market to the delight of people who are accustomed to such branded commodities. They are carried away by new fashions and trends hence vanity and conceitedness are the results. They show excessive pride in their appearance possessions and achievement. This is what we call modesty, it is simply the term for how we dress and act as an individual.

Being modest is not just being simple and humble. A modest person concentrates on what he needs rather than on what he wants. He thinks wisely and weights all the consequences of his decision before he implies it. He is not easily persuaded by these new fashions or trends. What is important in all aspects should be his priority. He doesn’t brag about his achievements. It can be seen through his work or labor on how he did his best that result to remarkable endeavors. He shows kindness, empathy, love and concern to all people around him. Arrogance, ill feelings towards other people, enviousness are not on the list of a modest person. He just lives simply, humbly, faithful and loyal to his duties and responsibilities as a good follower of God worthy to be emulated and reined.

According to an article I have read, we teachers are the one who will nurture these to young individuals, modesty is an important characteristic to teach kids while they are developing and learning behaviors. It is most of the time, that lack of modesty can cause negative impact to others. Likewise, for those young aged children who are not yet able to differentiate modesty from other values, will not be able to appreciate the value of modesty as good feature of an individual worthy of emulation.

Specifically, teaching modesty to our young learners is very important because children in this modern world are becoming bolder in their self-exhibitions. Their family has the
responsibility to teach first the virtue of modesty, before us teachers. I always believe in the saying, “Train up a child in a way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it”.

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