

ENHANCING SOCIETAL VALUES THROUGH RELIGIOUS ETHICS: THE NIGERIA EXPERIENCE

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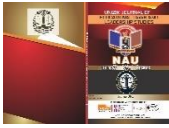
ABSTRACT

This study examined how religious ethics helped in improving societal values in Nigeria. Societal values such as such as respect, kindness, honesty, and hard work are seen as the good ways people behave. These values help people to live in peace and grow together. However, in recent years, these values have been fading in many parts of Nigeria. The study surmises that even though many Nigerians follow religion—Christianity, Islam, or African Traditional Religion, the right values were not always seen in their actions. Many people who claim to believe in God still cheat, lie, or act contrary to expected virtues in the society. This shows a big gap between religious teachings and real behavior. The study also explains how true religious ethics, like love, truth, and fairness, could help bring back these good societal values. It stresses that if people truly practice what their religions teach, Nigeria could become more peaceful, united, and morally strong. The study touches on some challenges that impede the expected societal change. These include bad examples from leaders, fake teachings, too much focus on money in churches and mosques, and the use of religion for political gain. These problems make people lose trust in religion. The study concludes that for religion to help society, both leaders and followers must live right and practice what they preach. If this happens, religion can play a strong role in fixing moral problems and building a better Nigeria.

Keywords: Societal Values, Religious Ethics, Nigeria Experience

Introduction

Societal values, which are good actions that people in a group or country uphold as right values, guide how people treat one another. These values help keep peace and order. Some common examples include honesty, respect for elders, truthfulness, kindness, hard work and patience (Kabir, 2021). In Nigeria, many of these values are seen in our local cultures and daily customs. Religious ethics are the teachings from religion that tell us what is right or wrong. All religions teach people not to lie, not to steal and to treat others well. For example, Islam teaches fairness and truth. Christianity teaches love, peace and forgiveness (Luqman, 2020). In Nigeria, most people follow Islam or Christianity, and these religions shape the way people think and live. Nigeria has many churches and mosques. Many people go to worship and pray. Yet, the country still struggles with many social problems. These include corruption, stealing, cheating in schools, domestic violence, tribal hate and bad leadership (Jatau & Maza, 2023).



Children learn unacceptable behaviours from adults. Some leaders say one thing and do another. Even among religious people, some still take bribes or lie for gain. For example, in politics, some leaders go to places of worship but later misuse money meant for roads, schools and hospitals (Jegede, 2019). This shows that the problem is not the lack of religion, but the way people follow it. Many know what is right but do not do it. Nigeria is a religious country, but our actions do not always show it. This is a serious issue. If religion teaches good morals and most Nigerians are religious, then why do we still see so much dishonesty? The problem is not just about knowing good values. It is about living them daily. Religion should help people become better in their families, schools, workplaces and the larger society (Saluun & Timin, 2020).

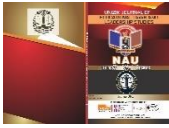
Religious ethics can help fix our moral problems. Religion reaches deep into the hearts of people. It teaches them to fear God and treat others fairly. Religion can change the way people think and behave. It can help grow a society where people respect each other, work hard and avoid crime (Napbut, Boyi & Atowoju, 2024). Religious groups like churches and mosques have strong influence in Nigeria. If used well, they can teach values and stop moral decay. Religious leaders can guide people to live right and hold leaders accountable. With the right teachings and examples, religion can rebuild trust in society (Arokoyo, Atoyebi, Yunusa & Mejiyan, 2024). This paper talks about how religious ethics can help improve Nigeria’s values. It starts by looking at what societal values and religious ethics mean. It also talks about the problems in Nigerian society today. After that, it will show how religion can help fix these issues. It will also review what other studies have said on this topic. In the end, it will give ideas on how religion can play a bigger role in making Nigeria better.

Table 1: Key Concepts

Key Concepts	Simple Definitions	Nigerian Context
Societal Values	The good behaviours a society expects	Respect for elders, hard work
Religious Ethics	What religions teach about right and wrong	"Do not steal", "Love your neighbour"

Overview of Societal Values in Nigeria

Societal values are the good ways people in a group behave. These values help the group live in peace. They guide what is seen as right or wrong. When people follow these values, the community grows well. These values teach people to care for others and respect rules. They help people live together without fighting (Galadanci, 2021). In Nigeria, many strong values have helped the country stay united for years. One common value is respect. Children learn to greet elders in a respectful way. It is also common to kneel or bow when greeting older people. This shows respect for age and wisdom (Adeboye, 2023). Another key value is kindness. Many Nigerians help others even when they have little. In villages and towns, people support neighbors during weddings or funerals. They also help during hard times like illness or hunger. Hospitality is another strong value. Nigerians welcome strangers with food and care. It is normal to visit someone and be offered a seat and a drink. This warm way of life makes communities feel close and safe (Adebayo, 2023). Hard work is also praised. People admire those who work with their hands or study hard. Many parents tell their children that hard work brings success. But these good values are slowly going down in many parts of Nigeria today. Respect for elders is fading. Some young people now talk



back to older people or ignore advice. In some homes, children no longer say greetings. This change shows how modern life is removing old habits (Adeyemo, 2020).

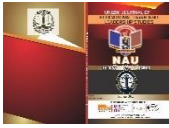
Also, kindness is becoming rare in cities. Many people now live for themselves. In some places, people do not greet or help each other. The spirit of community is being lost. Social media and fast life are part of the cause. People are more focused on phones than on people around them (Aliuna, 2022). There is also a rise in bad behaviors like lying and stealing. Some youths want to get rich fast. They cheat and lie online. Others join gangs or rob. These actions break the values that used to bind Nigeria. This is a sign that moral teaching is weak (Amadi-Wike, Dokubo, Taylor & Amadi-Wike, 2021). In many schools and homes, children no longer learn values like before. Some parents are too busy. Some teachers focus only on schoolwork and not morals. This gap is dangerous. If children do not learn values early, they grow up thinking bad is good (Arokoyo, Okiri, Gomment, Yunusa, Mejiyan & Ibrahim, 2024).

Another reason for the loss of values is bad examples from leaders. When people in power steal or lie and go free, it sends the wrong message. Youths copy what they see. They think being smart means breaking rules and not getting caught (Chukwunyere, Uba, Ukamaka & Awoke, 020). The media also plays a role. Movies and music sometimes praise wrong things. Some songs praise fraud or violence. Children grow up watching these things. They begin to copy what they see and hear (Daniel & Kierian, 2021). This shows why homes, schools, and religious centers must teach values again. The loss of values is not just a moral problem. It affects the economy and peace. A worker who lies or steals can destroy a whole company. A youth who joins crime can harm a whole community. That is why good values must return for Nigeria to be safe and strong (Hassan & Abdulkareem, 2023).

Religious groups have a big role to play. Many religions in Nigeria teach values like love and honesty. But if these teachings stay only in churches or mosques, they will not help. These values must be lived out every day (Higazi & Yusuf, 2024). Schools also must teach more about morals. Values like fairness and respect should be part of every subject. Teachers must act as role models. They must not lie or take bribes (Jacob & Athanisus, 2019). Parents too must spend time with children. They should talk and show what is right. Children learn more from what they see than from what they are told. If parents lie or fight often, children will grow up doing the same (Johnson & Smith, 2021). Nigeria can rise again if values are brought back. Respect, kindness, and hard work can make the country peaceful. However, it will not happen by chance. Everyone must help teach and show these values.

Religious Ethics

Religious ethics are the basic rules about right and wrong taught by religions. These rules help people behave well in society. They guide how we treat others and how we live our daily lives (Odey and Ashipu 2019). In Nigeria, there are three main religions. These are Christianity Islam and African Traditional Religion. Each one teaches people how to live a good life (Onapajo 2022). These religions speak against stealing lying cheating and being wicked to others. They support truth kindness fairness and respect for people (Oguntola-Laguda 2020). In Christianity, religious



ethics come from the Bible. Christians believe in loving others being honest and helping those in need. The Ten Commandments say "do not steal" "do not lie" and "do not commit adultery" (Ruwan et al 2020). Christians are also told to forgive and be kind. A good example is "love your neighbour as yourself." This means caring for people even if they are strangers (Oluwaniyi 2023). In Islam, the Qur'an teaches Muslims to fear God and act justly. Muslims are forbidden from cheating, stealing and telling lies. They must give to the poor and help those in need. Islam also teaches peace and fairness. Muslims must show mercy and honesty in their actions (Oluwaniyi 2024). For example, a Muslim should be fair when selling things in the market (Onapajo 2023). African Traditional Religion also teaches good values. It tells people to respect elders and honour their ancestors. Stealing lying and fighting are not accepted. People must help others and live in peace. Community life is strong in traditional beliefs. A person who disrespects others brings shame to their family and ancestors (Omolade 2019). Many religious rules are the same across these religions. They all say "do not steal." They say we should be kind and faithful. They also teach respect for family and marriage (Ojewola 2022). For example Christianity says to stay faithful in marriage. Islam supports this and African Tradition teaches the same. This shows that religious ethics are strong tools for building a good society (Makinde et al 2020).

Religious ethics are not just old ideas. They still help guide behaviour today. Many youths go astray because they forget these teachings. This leads to stealing cheating and drug abuse (Oladipo 2024). But when people follow religion well they stay away from crime and live better lives (Oluwole 2023). Good morals help reduce problems in families and communities. Some religious bodies in Nigeria help people learn these values. They run programs that teach truth honesty and hard work. They teach youths to say no to social vices like cultism and fraud (Rohall 2023). They also help people with mental stress and guide them back to good living (Oluwole 2023). Churches mosques and traditional leaders all have roles to play (Ruwan et al 2020). Some people say religion is not doing enough to stop bad behaviour. This is true in some places where leaders are not honest. But when religious groups stay true to their teachings they can help change society for good (Onapajo 2022). This means that religious ethics are still useful today. The link between religion and ethics is strong. If people follow these rules Nigeria can become a better country. Respect truth love and peace will grow. But this depends on how well we use what our religions teach (Nwanguma 2023). Religious ethics are simple rules that guide people to do good. They teach us not to steal or lie. They teach us to love help and respect others. All religions in Nigeria support these ideas. If we follow them our society will be better (Oluwaniyi 2023).

Table 2: Examples of Religious Ethics

Religion	Teaching on Ethics	Simple Example
Christianity	Love your neighbour	Helping a stranger
Islam	Do not cheat	Being fair in market
African Traditional	Respect for ancestors	Respect elders

The Gap between Religion and Practice in Nigeria

Many Nigerians say they are religious. They go to church or mosque and attend events. But in real life many still do wrong things. People pray in public but lie cheat and steal in private. This shows a big gap between religion and real behavior (Utaji and Nyityo 2024). A common example is among politicians. Many go to religious gatherings. They take part in prayers and even donate



money. But they still steal public funds or bribe officials (Vigliotti 2020). These actions go against what their religion teaches. Another example is among the youth. Some join religious programs or camps. Meanwhile, they later get involved in internet fraud, domesticated in Nigerian English as “yahoo yahoo” or internet scams. They go from singing worship songs to scamming people online. This raises questions about what religion really means to them (Dhiman, 2023).

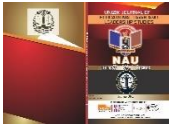
Why do people believe in religion but act wrongly? One reason is that many follow religion only on the surface. They care more about being seen in church or mosque than truly following the teachings (Li et al. 2025). Religion becomes like a social event not a guide for living right. Some people think going to church or mosque alone makes them good. They forget that true religion means doing good and avoiding evil. In Nigeria many mix religion with culture and politics. This weakens the real message of doing what is right (Onuorah 2024). Another reason is weak teaching. Many religious leaders now focus more on money and success than on moral values. They preach about blessings and miracles but say little about honesty or love for others (Okoye-Manu Nkansah Morgan and Nwosimiri 2022). This makes followers focus more on gaining wealth than on being kind or truthful.

In addition, Nigeria’s social environment makes it hard to live by good values. Many people grow up in places where cheating is normal. If someone tries to be honest others may laugh at them or call them foolish (Mohammad and Adam 2022). People copy what they see around them. Education also plays a role. Some people don’t fully understand what their religion teaches. They only hear parts of sermons but do not study deeply. This makes it easy to pick and choose what suits them (Sherpa 2022). Religious belief should lead to good behavior. But in Nigeria there is a clear break between the two. Many people know what is right but still choose to do wrong (Mubita Milupi Monde and Simooya 2022). This shows the need to fix how religion is practiced and taught. To help fix this problem both religious leaders and followers must go back to true values. They must care more about love respect and truth than about being seen or praised (Nyarkoh and Berényi 2025). Religion must become a way of life not just an activity.

How Religious Ethics can Enhance Societal Values

Religious ethics help people do what is right. In Nigeria many people follow religion. But good values still lack in many parts of society. If people truly follow what their religion teaches, they will show love truth and self-control. These are the keys to better life in any place (Luqman, 2020). Religion teaches people to respect others. It teaches people to speak the truth even when it is hard. These lessons are in both Christianity and Islam. Religion also tells people to avoid cheating stealing and lying. If everyone lives by these values Nigeria will change for the better (Cherry 2024). One way religion helps society is by teaching people to be honest. Honesty builds strong communities. Religion also helps people live clean lives. It tells people not to abuse drugs or hurt others. When people control their actions the whole country becomes safer (Marshall, Roy, Seiple and Slim 2021).

Religious groups help families stay together and teach children to behave well. Many churches and mosques preach on Sundays and Fridays. These teachings stay in the hearts of many people. They talk about love kindness and hard work. These messages help people act better in their homes



and communities (Awosusi and Babarinde 2019). Mosques and churches also help the poor. They give food and money to those who need it. This shows love and care. It teaches others to give not just take. In some places churches help people get jobs or start small businesses. This reduces crime and poverty (Bashir 2018).

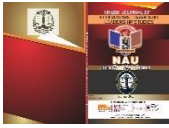
Another important thing they do is guide youths. Many young people go to religious schools or youth groups. They learn morals and values there. This keeps many of them away from crime and bad friends. It also helps them grow in character (D'Agostino Dowd and Mugo 2019). Churches and mosques also preach peace. They help stop fights between groups. In places like Kaduna religious leaders came together and helped people make peace. This shows that religion can help solve problems when people follow its true teachings (Ogbozor 2024). Religious leaders also talk about the environment now. They teach people not to destroy nature. They say God made the earth and we must care for it. This makes people think more about how they treat their land water and trees (Alokwu 2025). Religious ethics can fix many of our problems. But people must not just hear the message. They must also live it. Real change starts when people act right even when no one is watching (Azubuiké Imo Ogbonna Enyam and Nwadiche 2024).



Figure 1: Path from Religious Ethics to Societal Development

Challenges in Applying Religious Ethics in Nigeria

Even with many churches and mosques Nigeria still has many problems. One big reason is that many people say they believe but do not act right. This is a major challenge (Napbut Boyi and Atowoju 2024). Some religious leaders preach good values but live bad lives. They tell others to be honest but they cheat. They ask for peace but they fight for power. When people see this, they lose trust. This stops people from doing what is right (Onyenze and Ebebe 2023). Politics also makes things worse. Some leaders use religion to get votes. They pretend to care about faith just to win elections. This weakens true religion. It turns religion into a tool not a guide for life (Hays and Costello 2023).

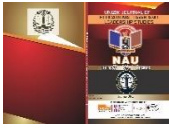


Another problem is the bad examples from elders. Many old people in power do not show good morals. They steal money cheat others and lie. When young people see this, they learn that bad behavior brings success. This kills values like truth and hard work (Yusuf 2024). Some people also use religion to defend wrong acts. They say God supports them even when they do evil. This is very dangerous. It confuses people. It makes others think religion supports wicked acts (Ogbozor 2024). Religious teachings are strong. But if people twist them, they can cause harm. This is why true faith must be taught the right way. Leaders must teach love and honesty not hate or greed (Alokwu 2025). Sometimes churches and mosques are too focused on money. They ask for large offerings but do little to help people. This turns faith into business. Many stops trusting such leaders. They feel used not helped (Azubuike Imo Ogbonna Enyam and Nwadiche 2024). To fix these leaders must live what they preach. They must teach by example. Only then will people follow. When young people see good models, they will also act right. This is how Nigeria can rise again. In short religion can help Nigeria, if people stop pretending. They must live right. They must show love truth and peace in all they do.

Review of Related Studies

Saluun and Timin (2020) looked at how religious ethics can help Nigeria grow and develop. They used both primary and secondary information and compared different sources to understand the topic better. Their study showed that religious values, like honesty, love, self-control, and kindness, are very important for national growth. They also found that when people ignore these values, it leads to problems like corruption, greed, hate, cheating, and violence. These bad behaviors have slowed down Nigeria's development. The authors believe that religious groups in Nigeria need to work together and focus on the positive values they all share. If they do this, it can help the country become more peaceful and united. The study says that religious leaders and followers should stop focusing only on personal gains or doctrines that divide people. Instead, they should teach and practice values that help society as a whole. If Nigeria follows this path, it can fight off social vices and create a more developed and stable nation. The paper encourages everyone, especially those in religion, to play a stronger role in promoting morals that help build the country. Overall, the research supports the idea that religion, when used the right way, can help fix many problems facing Nigeria and improve the lives of the people.

Napbut, Boyi, and Atowoju (2024) studied the issue of growing moral decay in Central Nigeria, even though the area is full of churches and Christians. They noticed that bad behaviors like corruption, crime, and immorality are still increasing. To understand why this is happening, they used both interviews and data from books and reports. Their research showed that although Christianity teaches good morals, many people are not living by those teachings. They found a big gap between what is preached and how people behave. The study also pointed out several reasons for this moral decline, including fake prophecies, staged miracles, and churches that focus too much on money (prosperity gospel). Also, some religious leaders have failed to provide good examples for others to follow. Because of all this, Christianity is not having the positive impact it should on the morals of the people. The authors believe that this is a big problem because religion is supposed to help people live better lives. The study gives useful information for church leaders, government officials, and anyone trying to improve the values in society. It shows that just having

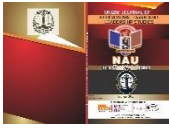


many churches is not enough—what really matters is practicing what is preached. The authors suggest that churches should return to true teachings of love, honesty, and humility if they want to help society become better and safer.

Jatau and Maza (2023) studied how religion affects democracy and peace in Nigeria. They used interviews, news articles, reports, and documents to gather information. Their main discovery was that religion can help support democracy by teaching values like fairness, respect for others, freedom, and justice. These values are very important for peaceful and fair leadership. The study explained that when religious groups talk about these good values, they can help guide leaders and citizens to do the right thing. However, the research also found a serious problem—some political and religious leaders are using religion for their own selfish goals. Instead of promoting peace, they use religion to divide people, create tension, and gain power. This has made politics in Nigeria unstable and unfair, causing many citizens to suffer. It has also weakened government agencies and the justice system, making it harder to have good leadership and peace. The authors believe that if religion is used the right way, it can bring people together and help the country grow. But if it is misused, it becomes a tool for causing problems. The study calls on both political and religious leaders to stop using religion for personal gain and start using it to support peace, equality, and democracy. This way, Nigeria can become a better and more united country.

Alokwu (2025) looked at how religion can help teach people to take better care of the environment in Nigeria. The study pointed out that Nigeria is facing a lot of environmental problems like pollution, poor waste management, and deforestation. At the same time, schools and formal environmental education are not doing enough to create awareness. So, the study suggested that religion could be a better way to reach people because religious leaders and traditional rulers have strong influence in the society. The researcher looked at examples from Ghana and India where religious teachings were used to promote care for the environment, and it worked well. In these places, religious groups added messages about protecting nature into their preaching, and it made people change their behavior in positive ways. In Nigeria, this same idea can work too. If churches, mosques, and traditional institutions teach that protecting the environment is part of being a good and moral person, more people will start to act responsibly. The study found that when people see taking care of nature as part of their faith and duty to God, they are more likely to do things like reduce waste, plant trees, and avoid pollution. So, the main point of the study is that using religious values to teach about the environment can help create long-term solutions and make people more responsible. Religion can help fill the gaps that formal education has left behind in teaching people how to care for their environment.

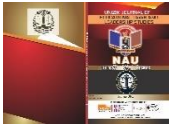
Azubuike, Imo, Ogbonna, Enyam, and Nwadiche (2024) studied how religion can support development in Nigeria, especially through sustainable development goals (SDGs). They looked at different religious texts like sermons, press statements, and teachings from churches and mosques to see how they talk about helping society grow. The study also checked the work of some faith-based organizations and how they have worked with governments and NGOs on community projects like education, health, and peacebuilding. What they found is that while some religious leaders are now involved in development issues, their impact is still small. This is mostly



because many religious organizations face internal problems, lack proper structures, or do not work well with the government or other groups. But the study also showed that religion still has strong potential. A good example is the Kaduna Peace Declaration, where people from different religions came together to support peace and good leadership. This shows that if religious leaders work together, they can help build unity and bring positive change. The study suggests that since religious leaders have the respect of their followers and large networks in local communities, they can help push for ethical leadership, peace, and progress. If religion is used properly, it can play a big part in fixing Nigeria's development problems. The study recommends stronger partnerships between religious groups, government, and civil society to make this happen.

Luqman (2020) explored how Islamic ethics can help improve societal values in Nigeria. The study began by pointing out that many people in Nigeria misunderstand religion, often blaming it for problems like underdevelopment. Even though Islamic teachings have been around for a long time and include clear moral rules, they are not being followed properly in today's Nigeria. As a result, many people still struggle to make good and fair decisions in daily life. The study linked this problem to selfishness, greed, and a lack of care for others. The paper also highlighted serious issues in the country, like corruption, kidnapping, armed robbery, and terrorism—all of which are moral problems that Islam already has solutions for. Islamic ethics provide a guide for telling right from wrong, but these teachings are not widely applied in society. Luqman argued that if more people took Islamic morals seriously, society would be better. He believes that Islamic values like honesty, fairness, and care for others should be taught more in schools, religious centers, and homes. The study concluded by saying that religion—especially Islam—has the tools to help fix the moral problems affecting Nigeria. But these tools need to be used properly. The government, schools, and religious leaders should work together to teach and apply these values. This can help build a more peaceful and fair society where people respect one another and do the right thing.

Onyenze and Ebebe (2023) studied how Religion and Social Studies can help fight corruption and support national development in Nigeria. They started by explaining the main ideas used in their study, such as what corruption means, how it affects Nigeria, and why it keeps happening. The paper pointed out that corruption is a serious problem that has slowed down the country's growth and damaged the values of society. The researchers explained that both religion and Social Studies can play strong roles in reducing corruption by teaching moral values, honesty, and love for the country. They also talked about how religion can help people understand the importance of living right and avoiding corrupt acts. Social Studies, on the other hand, can guide students to know their responsibilities as citizens and help them develop good behavior. The study said that a value-based education system is needed in schools so that children and adults can learn how to reject bad behaviors like bribery, cheating, and stealing. It was suggested that school subjects like Religion and Social Studies should be updated and made more relevant to today's problems. The researchers believe that if both subjects are improved to reflect Nigeria's social and political problems, they can help build a better and honest society. The study used different methods like sociological and descriptive approaches to support their points. In the end, they called for strong moral education to help Nigerians grow up with good character and help the country move forward.



Arokoyo, Atoyebi, Yunusa, and Mejiyan (2024) looked into how churches and other religious groups help fight against social vices in Nigeria. They used already existing information (secondary sources) and explained their ideas with the help of the Social Learning Theory, which says people can learn good or bad behaviors from others. The paper found that religious groups, especially churches, have been very active in speaking against bad behaviors like cultism, ritual killings, indecent dressing, exam cheating, cybercrime, prostitution (hook-up), drug abuse, and sexual immorality. These groups use many methods to reach people. They preach during sermons, go out for evangelism, use social media and technology, organize community programs, and even provide jobs. They also partner with the government and other groups to create awareness. The study said that religious organizations are doing their best to educate people on morals and right living, but they also face some problems. Some of these challenges include fear of insecurity, trust issues among people, problems with communication, tension between different religious groups, and limited resources. Some people also see religious efforts as too extreme or not believable. Still, the researchers believe that because religious groups have many followers and strong moral authority, they can help bring about social change if they are supported properly. The study concluded that religious groups can make a big difference in Nigeria if their voices are heard and their efforts are taken seriously by both the people and the government.

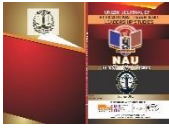
Conclusion

Religion has the power to shape how people behave, and religious ethics can help solve many problems in Nigeria. The issue is not just about having religion, but about how people choose to live. Some people hear religious teachings but do not follow them in daily life. This shows that we need to return to the values that religion teaches. In simple terms, religion has the tools to guide society in the right way. But it must go beyond preaching. People need to apply what they hear. When people try to do the right thing, even when no one is watching, society will improve. Crime can reduce. Trust can grow. Families, schools, and communities can become better. What Nigeria needs now is not just more religion, but real commitment to the values it teaches. This is why religious ethics must be lived out in actions, not just in words. When this happens, society will grow stronger again.

Recommendations

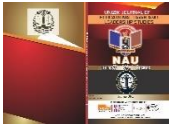
Based on the findings, the following recommendations were made:

1. Religious Pastors and Imams should teach values like truth and kindness more than riches or success.
2. Parents should use stories from holy books to show kids how to behave well.
3. Schools should teach morals from religion in civic classes every term.
4. Government should support churches and mosques that teach peace and honesty.
5. Adults should guide young people using simple lessons from religious books.
6. Youth groups should hold moral talks using stories from the Bible or Quran.
7. TV and radio should air programs that teach good morals from religion.
8. Community leaders should reward honest acts taught by religion.

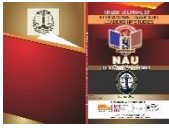


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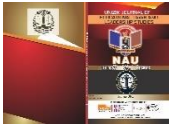
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