

Essay

"Religion has done more harm than help to human relations in the world."

Outline:

1) Introduction.

Thesis statement:

The purpose of religion is to bring harmony, peace and prosperity for all humans. However, history shows that religion has done more harm than help to human relations in the world. Religion remained a source of contention in the whole world.

2) Religion has done more harm to human relations because, one of the causes/reasons of fragrant wars was religion

2.1) The alterations and quarrels that happened in the world in different times, happened due to religion.

(crusades, The Hundred Years Wars and many others).

2.2) Religion is a source of exacerbating the conflict between rival countries.

(War expansion between Netherlands and Spain).

2.3) Due to difference of religions the war exceeds from ideologies to war over the Holy Lands.

(Israel-Palestine war).

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2.4) Religious differences and parochial thoughts generate an ideological propaganda.
(Islamophobia and Antisemitism).

2.5) Religious intolerance generates chaos and violence in mind of people.
(Attack of a gunman on Mosque in New Zealand)

2.6) The violence and extremism that is fueled with religious sentiments results in to societal devastation of social fabric.
(Change of blasphemy on people).

2.7) Due to religious differences in a country, a marginalization happens for minorities.
(Subjugation of Muslims of India).

2.8) The holy places remain a source of contention, which causes a squabble in the society.
(Foundation of Ram Temple in India).

2.9) Due to sectarian differences, two countries become a source of greater rivalry.
(Saudi-Iran rivalry).

2.10) Some religions create social ^{class} and racial discrimination that is replicated in the society.
 (Class system of Hinduism).

2.11) Some time religion is used for the subjugation of other gender like women.
 (Debate on role of women in Islam and Christianity).

2.12) Religion does not allow to question what is which is indoctrination of religion.

2.13) Sometimes religion becomes a source of ethnic discrimination and killings.
 (Killing of Hazara in Balochistan)

2.14) Involvement of religion ^(churches) in politics has generated a greater conflict in society.
 (30 years war between catholics and protestants).

3) Although, religion has done more harm in the society, yet it has brought peace and prosperity in the world.

3.1) Religion preaches equality and asks for peace and in the world.
 (Preaching of Islam).

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3.2)

Religious teachings and organizations along with leaders have helped to resolve conflicts and promote reconciliation.

(In Rwanda, Christians and Muslim leaders work together for to heal wound of genocide of 1994).

4) The way forward to rectifications and using religion to help more humans more.

4.1) There is a need of explanation of true essence of religion.

4.2) Need of campaigns on acceptance of variety and diversity.

4.3) Need to highlight the purpose of religion.