**Class: SS2**

**SUBJECT: CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE.**

**TOPIC: PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY**.

Parental responsibility is the duty of the parents towards their children’s upbringing, safety and development. This inherent duty of the parents, if properly or not well discharged towards their children, have some consequences upon the family and society at large, which might be positive or negative.

1. The poor parental responsibility of Eli and Samuel. (1st Sam 2:11-36, 3; 2-18, 4:10-22, 8:1-5).

Bible reading / discussion.

1. The call of Samuel (1st Sam 2:18-21, 3:2-18). Bible reading and discussion.
2. Samuel sons and the demand for king by the Israelites (1st Sam 8:1-15) bible reading and discussion.
3. Asa and Jehoshaphat (1st kings 15:9 – 15, 22:41-44) bible reading and discussion.

**Significant Lessons.**

1. It can be seen that the failure of the parents to discharge their parental responsibility towards their children led to the down fail of the family and the society at large.
2. The failure of the children on their own part to take parental instructions leads to self – destruction.
3. Parents should not relent in applying appropriate sanctions on their children as at and when due.
4. Children should be obedient to their parents and heed their advice.
5. Their life of Asa shows that a child could be good even when his parents are bad.

**Consequences of Obedience and Disobedience.**

When a person carries out an order accordingly as it was stipulated, the person obeys. On the other hand disobedience to Gods command always attracts his blessings, while disobedience brings about his wraths and punishments, which might be immediate or subsequent.

 **(a)** **Consequences of Obedience**

1. Joseph (Ex 20:14, Gen 39:7-12) bible reading / discussion.
2. David (Ex 20:13 1ST Sam 26:1-12) Bible reading and discussion.
3. The three Hebrew youths Escaped death for obeying God to avoid idolatry ( Ex 20 :3, Dan 3 :1-30) Bible reading / discussion
4. **Consequences of disobedience**.
5. Samuel Anoints Saul (1st Sam 10:1 – 16) Bible reading and discussions.

 (c) Saul’s Disobediences (1st Sam 15:1-25) Bible reading and discussion.

**(d) Consequences of Saul’s disobediences**.

1. The rejection of Saul as king of Israel (1st Sam 15:20-26)

2. The spirit of God left Saul (1st Sam 16:14 -23)

3. Saul and his three sons died at mount Gilboa (1st Sam 31:1- 13) Bible reading / discussion.

(e) The sons of Eli (1st Sam 2:22-25, 4:10 -11) Bible reading /discussion

 **Significant Lessons.**

1. It is better to obey God than to offer sacrifice to him.
2. Rebellion against God does not go unpunished
3. Obedience to God attracts his blessings.