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SHOULD HUMANITY AVENGE DIVINITY?

This is such a tricky question. It is as good as asking should man fight for God? The above question shall be redressed using Reuben Onyishi's "Clash of divinity" and Chinua Achebe's "dead men's path". In Clash of divinity, the writer carefully made it known to the reader that God being the Supernatural being is not a wimp. His battle should be left for Him to fight. Even Ozo Ugwujo asked such intelligently in page 144, and I quote "if we have touched the Lord's anointed and done His prophet harm as they claim, can't she wait for the Lord to avenge His anointed prophet? Does she want to make the same mistake for which our young men were blamed by fighting for the Lord when the Lord is capable of fighting for Himself?" This happened when the military governor's wife who was a member of Assemblies Divine at Ugwuenu, detained fifty men who were to serve as a deterrent to others. Even Ozo Elihe and Ozo Okoroaku tried to calm the youths but for their youthful exuberance, paid deaf ear to their warning of not attacking Rev. Dinma who stubbornly fixed prayer on the day of Omaba festival.

As it is, Zeus who had a revelation of God's intended mercy on the people provided they atone for their sins by calling on Imobi people to reconcile with Rev. Dinma after twenty years of the clash between them(both those who directly and indirectly partook in the act). Most of the villagers came but people like Ogbuanu Oyeugwu a.k.a seventeen seventeen and his likes decided not to honour the invitation. In the end, they (seventeen seventeen, Ogbuagidi Alphonsus, Nwalugwu Paulinus who engineered the rape of the pastor's wife, Ogbuagu Ezoha and ten other participants in the clash of divinity who did not attend the atonement service) all died in a similar but mysterious circumstances.

Another set of people were Rev. Okoro, Rev. Shedrack and their supporters who balkanized the church with politics as against Zeus, Rev. Ogidu and late Rev. Albert Onyeka. In the end, divinity avenged for humanity.

In Chinua Achebe's "Dead men's path", we saw Micheal Obi who was appointed the new headmaster of Ndume Central School on January, 1940; as the school has always been backward. He was sent there because he was energetic and he wholeheartedly accepted. Though he has such a wonderful idea on how best to run the school, he shun all advice given to him especially when he wanted to block the road believed to be the Dead man's Path because it connects the village shrine with the villagers place of burial as he wanted the school compound to be turned into a place of beauty and of a quality standard of teaching. Even the village priest warned him against blocking the path as he said and I quote "look here my son this path was here before you were born and before your father was born..." In Obi's response, he said "the whole purpose of

our school is to eradicate such beliefs as dead men do not require footpaths". He bluntly refused to construct another path. Two days later, he woke up to see his school in ruins not by the gods but by the villagers. Even the white supervisors couldn't believe what they see. This indicating humanity avenging divinity.

In conclusion, it is advised that one leaves vengeance to God because if one should fight for God ,that person is endangering his life as the case is with seventeen seventeen