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**SHOULD HUMANITY AVENGE FOR DIVINITY; DISCUSS USING CHINUA ACHEBE'S DEAD MEN'S PATH AND REUBEN ONYISHI'S CLASH OF DIVINITY.**

Humanity simply means human race which include everyone on earth. It's the quality that makes us human. Avenger means to inflict harm in return for an injury or wrong done to oneself or another. Divinity is the state of being a god. It's the state of things that are believed to come from a supernatural power or deity. The fact that humanity shouldn't avenge for divinity is seen in all aspect of the recommended text that is clash of divinity and dead men's path.

In Reuben's clash of divinity, crisis is caused by religion differences and conflict between the members of the Assemblies of divine and the traditional people of Imobi who are traditional worshippers.

The act of humanity trying to avenge for divinity is seen in the character of seventeen and his group who tried to avenge by scattering the normal church activity and beating the members of the church excluding the women but raped the wife of the pastor after stripping she and her husband of their cloths . The attempt to kill them was aborted by the help of the church member (Michael Oyeugwu) who rescued them although seventeen was discouraged by his followers not to kill them as it will be an offence unto the god of the Imobi.

This he did in the bid to avenge for the gods of Imobi because the women of the Assemblies of divine church guided by fifty members of the church had seen the nakedness of the spirit of Omaba as was against the tradition but they were simply working with the orders of their priest who had fixed the outdoor activities of women mistakenly on the same day. The Onyishi of Eluoma wondered why the men of Amazu should take laws into their hands, is it that the Omaba cannot avenge for itself and that they shouldn't bring curse upon themselves and generation but they didn't pay heed to this.

In this bid, Zeus appealed on behaves of the people who were involved in the act but also told them to come and apologise. Some of them came and apologised but others didn't.

Those that didn't suffered the punishment the likes of seventeen seventeen that was killed by the mob, Ogbuagidi by the thieves and many other who had their hand one way or the other in avenging for divinity.

In Chinua Achebe's 'Died men's path', Michael Obi is appointed to be the new headmaster in Ndume Central school in the village. The school needs development and innovation and he was given stipulated time to work on the school and bring it to high standard.

Obi although in full actions of innovating of the school neglects the traditions of the people and pays no respect to the advice of elders.

In time, he decorated the school premises by flower planting using the help of his wife and when he noticed the old path that crosses the school compound where the villagers passed he thought it weird. He demanded explanation from his teachers, they told him that the path had been there before ages that it was important to the people although its hardly used, it's the path that connects the village shrine with their place of burial, that is, it is the road that connects the living and the spirit world (died).

Obi didn't pay heed to this but thinking that they were barbaric practices and that the inspectors would complain of it, he decided to block it using fence and barbed wire.

Effort made by the priest sent by the villages to talk sense into Obi fell on deaf ears as he still maintained his ground and proposed to make another ways for them outside the school compound which they didn't agree to. He said that died men don't walk and there is need to abolish all these practices.

Few days later, a young woman dies of giving birth and when diviner were consulted, they made reference to that blockage and this made the villagers unite in seeing to the destruction of not just the flowers but the entire school building and thus retired to their normal daily activities.

Eventually when the government inspectors came to enquire on the welfare of the school, they were surprised and the levelled ground which used to be the school compound and some blamed the school master for his negligence of the traditions of the people, disobedience to elders and also for taking the laws into his hands which led to the eventual collapse of the school.

Finally, I am of the opinion that humanity shouldn't avenge for divinity but divinity should be left to avenge for itself of any offence melted against it. As seen in clash of divinity and died men's path, all those who try to intervene by avenging for divinity were left to suffer the great consequences.