

**Essay 1 – Ethics According to Me.**

In every institution, whether it is a business, religious, educational or social institution, ethics will exist in some form of rules or guidelines for individuals. However, a frequently asked question would be, ‘What is ethics?’. Ethics can be defined from a professional view as a set of discipline concerns or principles which a person would often ask themselves; ‘What is morally good?’, ‘What is morally bad?’ and ‘What is the difference between morally right and wrong?’. However, the person must try to maintain a mindset of moral duty and obligation when questioning themselves. Experts describes ‘Ethics’ as a moral philosophy and this term be a theory or system and it is applied to moral values or the principles of how individuals or groups should behave in society. Experts also stated that ‘Ethics’ should cover or already covers issues or situations such as; ‘How can oneself live a good life?’, ‘What are the rights and responsibilities of individuals in any initiation in life?’, ‘How to display or understand the difference between the language of right and wrong?’ and finally ‘What is moral decisions and what is good and bad?’

However, ‘Ethics to Me’ is when an individual uses their morals and values taught by their parents, guardians, teachers and/or religious leaders to differentiate what actions, decisions or thoughts are morally wrong or right in any given situation that might occur in any settling. For example, if I am standing in a line to check out at the grocery store and I saw an elderly person dropped their wallet in front of me. What should I do in this situation? What is the right or wrong thing to do here? As an individual that has morals and values and knows what is right from wrong, I would help the elderly person in front of me by picking up their wallet and handing it to them which I would then proceed to ask if they needed any further assistance. The reason for my actions in this situation can be explained by it is not only morally right for youths to help their elders but it is also polite to help someone to brighten up their day in my perspective.

The previous example explained a societal situation and what I would do if I were in that situation and why my actions were considered morally right, but what would happen if there was a situation in the workplace. When individuals get hired to perform a job in a firm or company, there will always have rules or guidelines, restrictions and penalties for employees to behave well. However, in some cases employees might disrespect coworkers, or an employer might disrespect an employee or even the working environment might not be ethically suitable for employees to continue their daily tasks. For example, if I were to witness an employee getting sexually assaulted by either a coworker or employer, what would I do in this situation? My reasons to this would be considered morally right because I would have reported the case to the appropriate authorities for this abuse and insult to come to an end and tried to help the victim cope with the traumatically experience by counselling or a support friend group. This situation of abuse can also happen at home and in the school environments to which if a person witnesses the act should immediately report it.

In conclusion, 'Ethics to Me' is about doing the right thing always in order to either save a person's life or to just make society a better place one person at a time or one decision at a time. As an individual, helping others and always following the rules and laws of society is a must and I was taught that was the right thing to do when I was a child and now as an adult my opinion as a child on what the right thing to do has not changed. Hence, I will still follow the rules and laws of society and be a lawfully, well behaved citizenship of my country.

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