

No to Death Penalty

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On issue about the **No to Death Penalty**

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Greetings Everyone,

A blessed day to everyone that reading my Encyclical. Let's remember to fight for the right and not the wrong. All the suffering that we encounter is just a task that give to us don't be scared and face it because no will do it but yourself.

Introduction

This Encyclical is all about the Death penalty that the Philippines wanted to Re-introduce again after many years that has come. In the Philippines we experience a lot of crimes and one of it is Drug Trafficking that a lot of people is involved because of the poverty or the position that we are living right now. Life is the most precious thing that a human can have. Our life is given to us by our parent she bared us in almost 280 days or 40 weeks in her stomach but God is the one that give us spirit so God is the only God that can take it only God. But in today's world the Philippines wanted to take back the Death Penalty for all the most people that have a lot or most serious case.

Situation

Death Penalty is a way of people to judge a person by killing the person involve or the criminal. This is a crime that is most likely to be the worst that will affect the Community or the society. According to the Parliamentarians for Global Action the death

penalty is already abolish under the 1987 constitution and the Philippines is the only country in Asian that abolish the death penalty, it was re-imposed again in year 1993 during the admission of Fidel Ramos to address the rising Crime rate during that time. And this was again abolished in year 2006.

The year 2016 the President of the Philippines which is Rodrigo Duterte wanted to re-impose again the death penalty because he saw that the Philippines again have a high rate of Crimes and Drug Trafficking, but they did not win it due to lack of supports from the Senators also in 2017 they also re-imposed it but still did not win. In year 2019 the Party list of our president again relaunched the Death penalty but still unsuccessful to imposed. They also Attempt in year 2020 but still did not or unsuccessful to imposed. Now in 2022 it is possible that they will also attempt to re-introduce it in the Philippines because of a lot of Crimes and Drug trafficking.

Teaching of the Church

You shall not murder (Exodus 20:13 and Deuteronomy 5:17). You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment (Matthew 5:21). Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in his own image (Genesis 9:6). Whoever takes a human life shall surely be put to death (Leviticus 24:17).

On this part I just choose the Teaches that the God Provided us to follow. As a human we must always remember that commandments are very important part of our life. That is how we people should be to be able to live a life that is peaceful and happiness to ourselves. People Like us will never do something bad to our own people because just like on what God says that We humans are the exact image of God, So we must

not do something bad to other people because if you did so, God will be the one will do something about you so that you will be punished

If a person killed someone or even have a most Crime, we as a Human we are not the one that will put that person in death, it was the God that will put that murderer into judgement. Many of the people really wanted this Death penalty to be introduce again because it much safer if this was introduce again, but still in the word of God it says that if a Human killed an animal killed it, If the human Killed a Human, God will be the one who will Judge him because a human is the exact picture or shaped of God so Killing a person who is made in the image of God is an offense to God Himself.

Action

As a Citizen of the Philippines, I should also be part of not re-introduce the death penalty because there are a lot of ways, we can do to judge them and one of them is relaying to God judgement Because as the verse says God is the only person who can judge a human. If Animals kill human so human can kill animals but if human kill human, the judgement is in the hand of God.

We can also put the Criminals to a sentence of years but not to be executed or to be killed because killing is ultimately cruel, inhuman and degrading punishment. Also putting a death penalty is not the answer to the crimes because according to what I've research having a Death penalty in a society will not change anything with regards to the Criminal rate of the Country. Is there any way that we can do to the Criminals that did something wrong? Yes, we have ways like rehabilitation we put them in a place that will help them to change the way they are living. On what things that they can do to change their self. Also Killing the Criminals is not the answer on reducing the Violence, it cost more death if the Death penalty will be implemented to our Country.

Conclusion

Have we people or humans realized what is the purpose that we are living in this world? Is it for Violence? Is really the answer for a problem is killing a person? Is it possible that we people think that life is very sacred because God give this to us? Is it possible that every person gives a person a second chance, third and fourth chance? And we people or humans is really the one that will judge if that person kills. So, for me for the first question the purpose of human is not to be Violence, The purpose of the human to this world is to protect the things that we see in this world because God Created it and Human is created by god and the Human is the exact image of the God So Change it Vertically and horizontally all of us have a right to be live in this world the only person that will do the judgement is god. Second Question the answer is not killing a person because I think all of us wanted to be live so much longer. For the Third is yes, we have chances because God have fully hope to us that we can change so as we are also. And for the last is no because just like what we just said to this solution of this God is the only God that will put the criminals to their Judgements.

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