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ABSTRACT

This study work entitled “Towards A Better Approach To Liberation Theology And Its Implication for Nigeria” consists of four main chapters. It ends with a summary and conclusion section and an attached appendix.

Chapter one is the general introduction to the study work. It contains the statement of the research problem, the purpose and the basis of the study. The research methodology adopted as well as the delimitation of the study work are succinctly presented here.

The origin and concerns of Liberation Theology is dealt with in Chapter two. It traces the historical development of Liberation Theology and carries a survey of some Liberation Theologians and their theological positions. The major concerns and the methodology of Liberation Theology are equally x-rayed in this section.

A detailed critique of some Orthodox theologians critics of Liberation Theology is presented as an appendix. This is to highlight the defaults, inadequacies and pitfalls of Liberation Theology as well as those of its critics.

Chapter three contains this researcher’s bold attempt to suggest a better approach to Liberation Theology in the form of a “Christian Libration Theology” which aims at making Liberation Theology truly Christian and the Orthodox Christian Theology-truly liberating.

The implications of the suggested “better approach” for the Nigerian situation are treated in chapter four. These include the spiritual and religious implications, the socio-political as well as the economic implications.

The study concludes with a challenge to the contemporary Christian theologians to refocus their attention towards evolving a “Christian Liberation Theology, that is capable of offering not only political and economic liberation to the “poor” and “wretched” of the earth; but also spiritual liberation to all persons irrespective of their social status.