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Corruption

Were accountability fails



Why is corruption a matter

- Corruption is a break to Gods command to serve well.
- Corruption distort our heart and minds.
- Corruption stops us as churches to show best standard.
- Corruption disorts resources from its best and intended use.
- Corruption always hit the most vulnerable hardest.
- Corruption is a major obstacle for economical growth, benefitting all.



Can corruption happen to us?

- According to all available statistics the level of corruption is high in southern Africa.
- Temptations, as said earlier, can happen to all of us.
- The risk of falling for the temptations of corruption (enrichment) is higher in a society where corruption is more common.



Definition of corruption

- Corruption is misuse of resources, trust, power and/ or position in order to reach unjustified gain for own, relatives or a groups part.
- It can include economical as well as other advantages such as influence, improved reputation, political acknowledgement, sexual or other favours.
- Advantages can be achieved in exchange for food,



Cases of corruption

- Favourism and nepotism
- Bribery, both directions
- Embezzlement, to keep property you are supposed to account for
- Blackmailing
- Conflict of interest
- Money laundering
- Illegal financing of political parties



Questions

- Do you agree on the above mentioned definitions and examples of corruption?
- How do we do to ensure that corruption and malpractice does not occur in our churches?
- How can we as Christian leaders be an good example and a light in the society regarding corruption?
- How can we support eachother not to fall for the temptation of enrichment in unjustified ways?

