

SR 968-22: Sociological Methodology: Interpreting Changing Cultures

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introduction

According to the book titled '*Global Disasters, and a Radical Interpretation*. 'By Paul Susman, Phil O'Keefe, and Ben Wisner, it's been argued that if the rural sector population would adopt the correct attitudes and entrepreneurial behavior, the problems of underdevelopment could be overcome. It's stated that foreign domination is easily documented. Interpreting changing cultures can be a tough task, especially from foreign forces but is possible when Individual and community agencies are often in tension with social, political, and economic structures and changes. A second narrative contends that these structures and changes are undermining the very sociocultural organization upon which the agency is based, embodied as a loss of decision-making control at local levels. Although globally there are increasing efforts to protect Indigenous rights, decisions on land use, development, and resource management continue to have limited input from Indigenous peoples, limiting agency to alter settlement patterns, resource management, and land use in response to environmental changes.

Cultural interpretation can happen where and when Indigenous rights are recognized and/or significant decision-making power is locally held, customary laws and common property systems should be identified to promote sustainable resource use, on the other hand, culture should recognize human rights at all levels and gender by identifying notions of human feelings, empathy, intuitions, and concerns toward specific groups of others. However, different customs and traditions, which reflect various cultures across the world, have to a large extent affected the promotion and protection of the notion of women's rights, especially in Africa where in most cases women do not have rights to inherit properties even after the death of their husband. More so most of the women in Kenya and the church live under abused marriage relationships. One of the researchers on this topic stated that it was reported that women are to be blamed for the fall of man by finding Eve being approached by the serpent and after their conversation, she ate the forbidden fruit and gave it to her husband causing the fall of mankind. Men

abusing their wives argue that there is nothing wrong with beating a woman who in the first place caused men to sin. Men justify their violence by stating that in the creation record in Genesis chapter 2, God created Adam first and Eve second as Adam's helper. The perception created in Genesis chapter 2 is that Adam was dominant, and Eve was subordinate. God goes on to instruct Adam to name all animals and Eve the woman. Within the Jewish culture, any person who named a person or a thing had power and dominion over it. Wife abusers see themselves having authority over their wives including battering them. I can relate to his culture as am a product of such abuses but thank God He saved my life. Culture should be interpreted but the Bible, but the culture can never interpret the Bible.

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