

## **STRONGTOWER ACADEMY**

### **LESSON NOTE FOR WEEK 2 ON CRK FOR J.S.S 1**

#### **CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE**

#### **POLITICAL FREEDOM FOR THE ISRAELITES**

Political freedom is the freedom from oppression and the positive exercise of one right and capacities in a society. Political freedom also means living in a society based on individual's rights and freedom from the initiation of force by other men.

#### **THE CALL OF MOSES**

**(Exodus 2:1 – 25; Exodus 3:1 – 15)**

The Israelites were oppressed in Egypt after Joseph's death. God made them prosper in spite of their suffering. Pharaoh ordered the killing of male children of the Israelites at birth, but the Hebrew midwives did not do it.

God caused Moses to be born at this time. After three months of hiding Moses, his mother managed to get him adopted by the daughter of Pharaoh. When Moses grew up, he identified with his people and defended their rights.

Moses escaped to Midian, after killing an Egyptian in defense of the Israelites. God appeared to him and appointed him as liberator of His people. The call of Moses was to seek political freedom for his people.

#### **Importance of Freedom to Individuals and Nations**

1. People have the opportunity to speak and pursue happiness.
2. Freedom gives us a sense of duty and belonging to our country.
3. Freedom enables us to participate in making decisions that will influence our country positively.
4. Freedom brings out our best abilities as individuals and collectively when we are sound at heart, we can bring out our best.

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### **LESSON NOTE FOR WEEK 3 ON CRK FOR J.S.S 1**

#### **CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE**

#### **DEBORAH AND BARAK LEAD THEIR PEOPLE TO FREEDOM**

##### **(Judges 4)**

Deborah was the wife of Lapidoth, she was a judge, a prophetess and a military leader or heroine. Barak was the army commander of the Israelites. Sisera was the Canaanites' army commander in Syria. Deborah and Barak helped to achieve freedom for the Israelites after 20 years of suffering under Jabin, King of Canaan due to their sin.

God instructed Barak through Deborah to go to war with Sisera, the commander of the Canaanites' army in Syria. Barak insisted that Deborah must go with him to the war. For this reason, Deborah declared that the glory of the war will be given to a woman.

Sisera ran away from the war front because the Hand of the Lord was against him. He fled to the tent of Jael (a woman) and asked for water but Jael gave him milk in return. While Sisera was fast asleep, Jael took a peg and hammer, and she drove the peg into his temple and he died.

Jael went out of the tent to meet Barak who was still pursuing Sisera. She said "come and I will show you the man whom you are seeking". As Barak stepped into the tent, he saw Sisera laying dead.

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#### **EMINENT NIGERIANS WHO OBTAINED FREEDOM FOR THEIR PEOPLE**

The success of Moses in gaining freedom for the Israelites through perseverance and help from God has inspired great men of all ages to struggle and achieve freedom for their people. The best example is our own country where our great liberators and national leaders took the responsibility of achieving political freedom for our nation.

Our country was at first free, but the British people came and ruled over us and exploited our natural resources for their own use. Because of the profit they were making from exploiting us, they did not want us to be free from political bondage. But God raised great leaders for us who struggled until the British government granted us freedom and we became independence, the eminent people who helped Nigeria to obtain her independence are:

1. Herbert Macaulay
2. Late. Dr.NnamdiAzikiwe
3. Late. Chief. Obafemi Awolowo
4. Sir Ahmadu Bello
5. Chief Anthony Enahoro
6. Funmilayo Ransom Kuti
7. Gen. Muritala Muhammed

These great leaders struggled till the British Colonial governments granted us independence on October 1, 1960.

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1. Who was Deborah?
2. How did the “glory” of the war against the Canaanites go to a woman?
3. Mention four names of Eminent Nigerians who obtained freedom for their people
4. How many years did the Israelites suffer under Jabin?
5. Who ordered the killing of the Israelites’ male children?

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