STUDY GUIDE - II

SOC321 Marriage and the Family

Answer each of the following questions as succinctly and as scholarly as possible. Please typewrite all written assignments.

- 1. Present an argument concerning the balance between commitment to the institution of marriage and commitment to the relationship.
- 2. Why is adaptability of roles so important in a modern marriage?
- 3. What is the system of social exchange in a marriage relationship? Give an example.
- 4. Why are communication skills more crucial in a modern marriage than in a traditional marriage? What is the pattern or style of communication in a balanced marriage?
- 5. Identify and briefly describe the four basic styles of parenting from a social science point of view. Which is generally considered to be the most effective style?
- 6. Briefly describe a Biblical Model of Parenting by implementing the concepts of love, grace, discipline, and empowerment.
- 7. Christian parenting has been described as empowering to maturity. Identify four parenting styles and relate each to a level of maturity.
- 8. Give a brief description of Erikson's Psychosocial Theory of Development.
- 9. Identify the three levels of Kohlberg's Moral Development Theory.
- 10. What is meant by the family constellation. What is the important of considering the family constellation?
- 11. Discuss Dreikur's concept of natural and logical consequences as a means of disciplining children.
- 12. How should parents go about the business of setting up fair and reasonable rules to govern behavior?
- 13. Discuss some of the dynamics of adolescence as being a time for identity formation, including the role of peers.
- 14. Name three factors which can explain a possible midlife crisis.
- 15. How do the stressful aspects of adolescence and midlife interact with each other? Give three factors in parent/adolescent conflicts.
- 16. There are several reasons for adolescent rebellion. Identify four such reasons.