ABSTRACT

THE DIFFERENCES OF RELIGIOSITY, SELF CONTROL, AND PREMARITAL SEXUAL BEHAVIOR LEVEL ON FEMALE STUDENTS OF GENERAL JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL AND FEMALE STUDENTS OF RELIGIOUS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Descriptive Comparative Study

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Introduction: The current condition of adolescent shows a tendency to hooking up, kissing, and touching the sensitive part of body while they were dating with their partner. Higher number of premarital sexual behavior can caused by the failure of self control development. High level self control can be affected by religiosity level. Islam gives a boundaries in intercommunication between men and women. In Islam, relationship between men and women before they were married is forbidden. School is the one of all factors which influence religiosity. This study was aimed to analyze the differences of religiosity, self control, and premarital sexual behavior level on female students of general junior high school and female students of religious junior high school. Methods: This study used quantitative with descriptive comparative method. The population was female students grade 8th and 9th who were dating. The sample was 240 students, consist of 120 female students of general junior high school and 120 female students of religious junior high school which include to the inclusion criteria. The independent variable was the type of junior high school. The dependent variables were the level of religiosity, self control, and premarital sexual behavior. Data were collected with questionnaires and analyzed using Mann-Whitney U Test with level of significance \( \alpha=0.05 \). Results: Results showed that there was no difference of religiosity level on female students of general junior high school and female students of religious junior high school (\( p=0.434 \)), there was a difference of self control level on female students of general junior high school and female students of religious junior high school (0.000), also there was no difference of premarital sexual behavior on female students of general junior high school and female students of religious junior high school (0.156). Discussion: It can be concluded that both female students of general junior high school and female students of religious junior high school had moderate level of religiosity and low level of premarital sexual behavior. Female students of religious junior high school had better self control level than female students of general high school. Further studies should include more variables such as the relationship between parents and their children, social media influences, and friends. The next research should involve respondents from Islamic hostel (pesantren) which may show different result.

Keywords: religiosity, self control, premarital sexual behavior, female students, junior high school