"Doing the Right Thing" Essay

Nothing that comes from violence is very great; this is why it isn’t good to cause it, especially at a young age. The only things that come from violence are fright, anger, or more violence. This is why no one really likes violence; but why is it caused? I believe that there are two reasons why it is caused. A person who causes violence feels that there isn’t a choice left but to use it, or that he/she thinks that violence is something normal or even good. Bullying, stealing, and fighting are some of the many ways people can be violent, and there are many scenarios that can lead to them.

Say that someone had just finished making a cardboard structure of some sort. He felt so much pride in his work and was really happy. Not long after, a bully stomps on the structure. Now, the once cheerful boy is so enraged that all he can think of is fighting with the bully. This is an example of how violence can occur. My theory of how violence can happen answers the question. Why did the boy use violence to solve his problem, because the boy couldn’t think of any other way to deal with the problem filled, with rage? This is how most fights start. This is also how most group fights start as well, such as gang violence.

Let’s say that there was a teen on the streets and he was mugging people for their money. Let’s also say that he was raised near where lots of crime took place. He would have been exposed to all these crimes and would think that it’s normal to steal or beat, so he wouldn’t think twice before he started committed crimes. This would mean that this teen would be involved in a
lot of violence because he thinks it’s a normal thing to do. This sometimes is why people commit crimes.

I know what it’s like being in a bad neighborhood because I live in one, so I had some experiences with a little violence. I had been bullied for the five years of elementary school by a large number of students that have beaten me and thrown me on fences. They have also mocked me and made fun of me. Also, there is gang that I live very near to and I’m pretty scared around them. I always felt scared, angered, and afraid. These are what anyone feels when they’ve been bullied. These could have encouraged me to cause violence later in my life, with a few other pushing factors. I had a few bad friends back in elementary school with bad habits who tried to pass it down to me. I would have listened to them but I was already taught what’s right and what’s wrong. I could be in a lot of trouble right now if I had listened to my friends.

I can help myself not causing any trouble; it’s pretty easy to know what’s right and what’s wrong, but helping stop violence that many people in their youth isn’t all that easy. There really isn’t much I could do, but I could help if I tried. I can keep all the people I know out of trouble by reminding them what’s wrong and what’s right. Or, better yet, I can try to spend times with my friends. This will actually help because this would make my friends a little busy so they’ll have a less chance to be violent because they won’t have enough time to be violent. If I was a little older, and had more money, I might be able to help a little more. I’d make an organization that goes to schools and teaches children and teens to not being violent, why, what would happen if they were to be violent, and how they could deal with their anger in non violent ways. There are organizations like that today, but I’m sure that a lot of children still don’t get it.
So there are still people in their youth who do violent things in the world every day.

Someday, there finally might be a day when violence ceases to exist, or even just pauses for a long time, but we still know that it still exists, so we do the right thing; to help those who don’t know the right thing.