

## SUMMARY

**Subject matter:** Spiritual education among hearing impaired and deaf people.

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**Topicality of the research** The level of development of a civilized society is determined not only by its economic and socio-cultural level, but also by its attitude towards people with health restrictions, in particular deaf and hard of hearing. An important aspect of the integration of the deaf into society is access to knowledge of the spiritual world guaranteed by the Constitution of the Russian Federation, but unfortunately, due to the times of godlessness in our country, we are lagging behind many advanced countries of the world in this matter.

We must remember that there are millions of people with hearing impairments among us who need to create a comfortable environment for education, employment and communication.

One of the main problems for deaf people is the lack of understanding by their hearing. They (the deaf) live in their own world, speak their own language, which most of us are not familiar with.

Each soul is called by the Lord to salvation. Carrying spiritual enlightenment to people without hearing, we will become something like the apostles - the first Christians - who preached the Word of God to people who do not know God. We have the joy of trying to light the light of love with these people: that heart-shaped lamp that will be flooded in the soul of one person, and will pass from him to others.

The relevance of the study is due to the fact that a deaf or hard of hearing person, due to information and social isolation, is much more in need of attention and support in spiritual life. For successful work on spiritual education among

inaudible or hard of hearing people, it is necessary to take into account their psychological, physical and other features, the principles of communication in sign language. Spiritual enlightenment is actively being revived in the Russian Orthodox Church, among people with hearing impairment, it is necessary to systematize the existing experience and traditions of spiritual enlightenment of this category of people.

The relevance of the study lies not only in the existing difficult situation faced by modern society, but also in the search for alternative ways to solve this problem.

**Objective of the research:** substantiation of methods of spiritual enlightenment of deaf and hard of hearing people, study of the historical development of spiritual enlightenment of deaf and hard of hearing people in the Orthodox Church, systematization and practical application of modern experience of spiritual enlightenment of deaf and hard of hearing people.

**Tasks of the research:**

- analyze the available literature and information sources on the topic under consideration;
- outline the historical path of development of spiritual enlightenment of deaf and hard of hearing people in the Russian Orthodox Church;
- analyze the main features of people with hearing impairment: physical, psychological;
- conduct a systematic review of methods and ways of spiritual education of people with hearing impairment.

**Theoretical and practical significance of the research** consists in the fact that the study helped to create an objective and fairly complete picture of the current state in the spiritual enlightenment of the deaf.

Conclusions on the work can become the basis for further study of the topic, the discovery of new aspects for research.

The practical significance of the work consists in taking into account the research materials and made on the basis of its conclusions, which are characterized by significance for religious institutions.

Moreover, for society as a whole, in the field of education and inculcation in it of moral and ethical standards consistent with the Christian religion.

**Results of the research** important in the development of further research on the development of methods for translating worship into sign language, as well as the development, unification and compilation of a dictionary of religious gestures used in the deaf communities of the Russian Orthodox Church.

**Recommendations:** research materials can widely used in practice of spiritual education of deaf people.