## 36. Challenges for Africa's Future

## STEWARDSHIP OF GOD-GIVEN (NATURAL) RESOURCES

Disappearing Rain Forest and Increasing Desertification

Deforestation and accompanying desertification are two of the great problems Africa faces. In Ivory Coast over 70% of the primary forest has been cleared away since 1900, and the rest may be gone within ten years (an estimate given in 1983).<sup>i</sup> Although DR Congo is further to the south, it will become an increasing problem there as well. DRC is home to Africa's largest rain forest which comprises almost a tenth of the total for the whole world.<sup>ii</sup>

Inflation and Debt

Employment and Development

Health and Nutrition

Islamization

Contextualization of Christianity and Christianization of African Culture

Education for the Real World

The Grip of the Supernatural World

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>i</sup> National Geographic, January 1983, p. 11.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>ii</sup> National Geographic, January 1983, p. 10.