

FOREVER O LORD YOUR WORD IS SETTLED IN HEAVENS...

Two centuries earlier this world was more or less ruled by the strong European Nations. Many of these countries, in letter were theocentric, meaning God is the center and the King/ Queen being the representative of God. The Church was very powerful politically also. All kind of advancements in science were accelerating. Much learning and philosophizing in these European nations created an arrogance that man is self sufficient and does not need God. People felt so limited by God in not having the freedom to do things they liked or else they may end up in hell. About this time in the year 1859, Charles Darwin published his book *The Origin of Species* and it gave the right reason to reject God's sovereignty and omnipotence in their lives. People so fully believed Darwin's theory that every living thing is only evolved not created by a Creator. After this thought they need not put Bible as the Word of Power in their lives. It is just another good book which need not dictate the rules of their life.

But even this day Darwin's theory is still a theory it is not proved and it is not a fact. But the Bible is still the center of the lives of all those who believe. The new idea of evolution spread like wild fire and literary leaders who were sculpting the face of nation threw the Book overboard. Mathew Arnold writes that since now Bible is no longer the only Book let us substitute with good literature. And for good literature he recommends some classical legends from Greek in the place of Bible.

But even after two centuries, how many know the story of Odyssey or have at least heard the name Mathew Arnold? But still Psalm 23, 121,91 are life giving and hope instilling.

Men may come, new ideas may come but God will go on forever, others will simply fall by the wayside. But many gullible hearts went astray and still many of them move without a center, because they rejected God as center. Still there are many millions of lost sheep searching for a center.

It takes a real wise person to know that s/he is not all sufficient and their lives can only be meaningful if their sufficiency is on the God who created you and me.

It is what you choose to put your trust on. I can trust on the wisdom of the world and say I do not need God and at the same time, even if it feels stupid to confess, I would still put my faith , my total faith on God and say, "Yes my Creator created me, He knew me even before the creation of the world, His eyes saw my unformed body when I was knit in the secret corners and He knew the day of my birth and He also knows what exactly I am doing now☺." It is to take a stand for God even though my reason cannot allow me to believe in certain things. Yet let me believe.

Dear friend I know how hard it is to say I am a Christian in this world, but I tell you it is worth it. This world is kept for fire and when that fire falls on us, it will test our faith. This faith will transform us into gold and precious stones.

We, who know that Jesus is the center of our lives, also should pull the ones who are searching to come home to

the Father. Let us not lose heart and keep on believing and keep on calling out to the lost.

I do not know why I am writing this but take heart, and believe. Your hope will never be disappointed. Even if so many books come challenging the existence of God, the Word of God, the Book of all books will still remain and still rule and one day will Judge.

This Word is forever settled firmly in the heavens. Read God's Word, make it your own and teach it to those around you.

God bless you and make you a blessing.

Jesus be the center, be my source, be my light. Jesus.

Jesus be the center, be my hope be my song, Jesus

Be the fire in my heart, be the wind in these sails,

Be the reason that I live, Jesus, Jesus

Jesus be my vision be my path be my guide, Jesus.

Amen.

P.S These are words of a lovely song.