

THERE IS A CREATOR

“The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; for He founded it upon the seas and established it upon the water.” (Psalm 24:1-2)

It was the first time for me to ride in an airplane. I was excited to see how the airplane will depart from the land. I was waiting to see the airport at the city from above. I was waiting to see the sky, the clouds, the seas and the lands from above. The experience I was waiting had come true; after my papers were checked and stamped in the airport, I boarded on the airplane. Luckily my seat was beside the window therefore I waited for the airplane to take off. Awhile later the captain started to announce about the flight’s details and the engine started. The aircrew began to tell us about the safety procedures if any mishaps would happen to the plane. Till now I was stable and calm. But when the speed of the airplane started to increase fear started to creep into my heart, and when the airplane took off from the ground I startled and became silent in my place, frozen because of fear. What I passed through I could not describe. Things were beyond my control. I was not able to do anything. I could not stop the airplane and I could not go back, I have to continue. I was by the window and the scenes were so beautiful; the city, the lands, the mountains, the sky with the clouds, everything in the nature was great and wonderful. But at the same moment it imparted great fear into my heart. It became horrible when the airplane passed through the clouds and winds, and I felt it shaking. Questions jumped into my mind; what if the engine fails? What if the wind affects the wings, etc? Fearful expectations from accidents and mishaps were spoiling my mind, and instead of enjoying the journey, I was waiting patiently to land on the ground. The landing on the ground was more fearful than the departure. My heart fell down when the airplane contacted the earth. I was just calmed when it was strolling once again on the ground. After that journey I became anxious about life in this world.

How a man who does not believe in God sees the world? His trust is in man’s knowledge and new technology. But the moment when He is flying in an airplane he found himself hanged on the air and his life is suspended on the efficiency of an engine that may break or stop working at any moment. He finds the world with many power points and forces that fight and wage war against each other. He finds his life in the atmosphere of uncertainty.

A man who does not believe in God sees the world dangerous and his life unsecured. He who does not believe in the presence of God endeavours to invent new drugs to treat a disease; a new machine to reproduce certain needs, and new technique to overcome nature. But to his struggles there is no end. For such a man does not know that God created the whole world for his own sake.

When God created man and woman, ***“God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground.” (Genesis 1:28)*** God gave man authority to control and to subdue the nature because everything He created and prepared is for man to enjoy and use.

But what if, “The fool says in his heart, ‘there is no God’.” (Psalms 14:1a)

- 1) *Man who does not believe in God will find himself weak in front of the forces that are present in the nature. He will find himself in continuous struggle to overcome natural problems like diseases, pestilence, floods, earthquake, ozone hole, the nuclear explosions in the sun, etc. He is under a curse.*
- 2) *Man who does not believe in God will find himself burdened by many hard issues; financial, economic, political and social problems carrying on his shoulder big and heavy burdens that need to be solved.*

There is one false god called Atlas. This god illustrated as a man who is carrying the whole globe, the earth, on his shoulder. The One true God initially created man and blessed Him with everything and commanded him to subdue all creations. But when man sinned and disobeyed God, he departed from Him. And instead that he walks on the earth he carries the earth and all the problems in this world.

Because of His great love, God is still mindful so to man. God came from heaven, became a man and lived among the people. God sent Jesus who died on the cross to pay for the sins man have done; and rose from the dead on the third day to give eternal life to every man who believed in Him. ***“For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believe in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.” (John 3:16)*** Man’s life becomes easy and light if he lives with Jesus. Jesus is inviting every one to His kingdom and to live with Him forever. He says, ***“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28)*** It is a privilege for us to find someone who is ready to accept us and to carry our problems. What we need is only to give it to Him. What we carry on our shoulders, all problems and worries, we just give them all to Jesus and we receive rest as He promised.

I was among those who did not believe in the presence of God, but He revealed Himself to me and I discovered that this big world and everything in it belongs to Him. I confessed to Him my sins, I believed in His Son Jesus’ death on the cross for my sins and I received forgiveness and eternal life. Jesus became my Saviour and my Lord. After that great event in my life I felt God’s power and protection to me. God changed my life. The next time I rode on an airplane I had no more fear. Before the journey started I prayed to God; I asked Him to protect me, the crew and all the passengers, to have a safe journey. After I knew the Lord I enjoy the nature and my flight is without fear because I know my life is on God’s hand. I know I am a child of God. I know that the earth and heaven belongs to Him, and He controls everything. At the end of my trip I gave Him my praise and thanks for the safe arrival because of His traveling mercy. Likewise, till the end of my life’s journey on earth I will continually praise my Lord and God because I am sure I will live with Him forever.

My dear and beloved: This is the time for every one of us to lay down our burdens and give it to God – the Creator of the world. This is the time to believe and accept that everything including our lives belongs to Him. ***“Father God in heaven, I come to You in the name of Jesus, who died on the cross to give me eternal life. O Lord God, today I believe and accept that everything belongs to You, and I cannot do anything apart from You. I lay down my burdens and my fears to You. Comfort me Lord and guide me in the way that You want me to be. This is my prayer in Jesus’ name, Amen.”***