

# Where

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## 1 Where!

Is it a question ? 53 years where are we?

Tagore wrote:

*Where the mind is with out fear .....  
Into that heaven of freedom, my father,  
Let my country awake..?*

Have we, our country found that land of *freedom!*

*Where the mind is without fear,  
and the head is held high*

*Is the young Indian mind without fear?*

Fear from justful competition is always healthy. A young vibrant society needs to install in the minds of the youth, a fear that is healthy.

A fear that fears only unjustful, unhealthy competition. A fear that knows to inspire a person to perform the right duties just the right way. A fear that kindles the head to stand upright and say, *I don't fear this land of just competition.*

Alas, fear is far from being this kind. A young mind can't stand upright and say it is fearless. It's fight agains this pseudo society starts from the time it is christned an Iyer, a Mukherjee, a Patil, a Gupta, a Mohammed, a John. It's fear starts even before it knows what fear is?

*Is this the right fear?*

*Where Knowledge is free*

Yes, a man can say so, if the mind is devoid of the fear against unjust competition. True, it is not so today. Uneven distribution of resources, with an over bloated fearful class of the society, has made this free pool of knowledge, some thing that the privileged (does not necessarily mean the wealthy, and the powerful) can always count upon! Is this the aim of free knowledge?

Reserving this pool of knowledge has created unfair competition, which has been the reason for this *Wrong Fear!* in the young minds. Just knowledge obtained by a few, who have managed to swim across the river of filthy fear, has found its way across the seven seas, for want of redemption from this *Un-justful* fear.

*Where the world has not been broken up  
into fragments by narrow domestic walls*

This is a world that every Indian would cherish to see, but only in their dreams. Our multicultural society has made narrow fragmentation easier. Headlines has it that a bandit's kidnapping of a film star has sparked violence against the press of a certain language.

Languages, just another medium of expression or is it an excuse to fragmentize oneself. Just because Ram rules, Rahim goes on rampage. Is religion not a means to attain *Self Realization* Oops! Here it is a means to obtain societal disorientation.

Language and Religion are big words in a society that that prides in fragmenting itself into clusters called *Castes!* Is it not a sad tale that this fragmented society has manifested itself into such a mighty force, and that this very society aids in building and maintaining these narrow domestic walls? Is this not true that this society is the basis for the un-justful fear that creeps as a small plant into the young minds and grows into a tree? - *A Poison Tree!*

When this world breaks itself from the clutches of this monstrous society, there can be no fragments, no narrow domestic walls, no fear!

*Where words come out from the depth of Truth*

Where fear lies, there can't be truth. A mind without fear is the abode of truth. Fear of the uncertainty has prompted the youth to manipulate their conscience. Manipulating the already broken fragments of our - *would have been nice to have an harmonious* - society, is the game played by our babu-netas. A game aided by this devil- the society.

Where truth forms words there can be no game playing, there can be no fear?

*Where tireless striving stretches  
its arms towards Perfection*

Is perfection an oxymoron in our context? Its is a pity that perfection has to be thought to a civilization which planned and built the great drainage system some 5000 years ago!

When tireless striving does not reach its goals (due to this unjust fear from an unfair competition), how can it reach perfection! Fear has deprived the sense of confidence that pushes man towards perfection. Where rewards are for satisfying some elements of the society, how can perfection exist? In a land where true hardships are justly rewarded, perfection becomes a synonym of hardship.

*Where the clear stream of Reason has not found  
its way into the dreary desert sand of dead habit*

Where is reason, when the heart lives for a fragmented society and rules the mind.

*Bangalore tense after Actor's Kidnapping*

This clear stream becomes a stream of murky water when the youth forget their goals and see every incident as a reason to go on rampage, when they very well know that *It hardly helps!* Has clarity of thought found its way into the gory gates of hell. Yes, this society, an living monument of man's ego (facilitated by the ever present fragments), has irrigated this clear land of reason with its venom, and transformed it into a desert. It has made this stream find gratification in this dreary desert sand of dead habit. A predictment that can have alarming consequences?

The fighting youth of Kashmir, the dissatisfied youth who run behind the places of worship, have you all given away your reasoning power to a few who have lost it and now seek vicarious satisfaction by making you believe that their reason is just yours too! (Of course it is, they have stolen it from you!)

Once the fear is nipped in the bud, reason will get back to its rightful place?

*Where the mind is led forward by thee  
into ever winding thought and action*

*Thee* Our society has given a special status to THEE, that may times THEE becomes the corner stone of thoughts that motivate youth towards destruction. A society that controls the mind, has led the mind to believe that they have have the THEE'S order to walk backwards towards pain, suffering and destruction. Why should THEE been an entity when THEE can be the Self.

When the self realizes that it is the THEE, it leads itself towards the path of thought and action. The mind fears no society, the mouth speaks words that are just truth, the mind reasons before it acts, is this not what is being led forward?

*Into that heaven of Freedom*

Where fear is not to be feared, Where truth ensures that the head is held high, Where knowledge banishes fear, Where reasons flow constantly in the fearless mind, Where hardwork finds its success in perfection, Where the self realizes, that it is the THEE and pushes the mind out of fear, Where WE make the harmonous Society, instead of it making us,

*(atleast in this century) my father, let (me and) my country awake.*