

Of course if there's nothing ahead but the horror of the shade, he's not the master of his fate! It's utter nonsense. But this existentialism is very widely taught and widely held today. This attitude that man can control himself. So Sartre and the other existentialist leaders have written books that are widely read. The theme of these books as they express it is that man is the only creature in whom existence precedes essence. That's why they call themselves existentialists: existence precedes essence. In everything else it has a certain essence in itself. This wood ^{makes} was has certain qualities. That's the way it is. But man/himself. Existence precedes essence. So they call it existentialism. They look on the world of cause and effect as an absurd world. They speak often of the absurdity of the world. Well it is if you don't recognize that's/ it is God's world for God's purposes, and that God controls all things from the very beginning and God has given us this body as an instrument to use for a few years. A marvellous instrument for its purpose. An instrument that will inevitably decay. An instrument that lasts a certain length of time but an instrument while it is marvellous, but he wants us to a certain extent to be master of our fate under Him who is the Captain. And master of his fate because he has been redeemed by Christ and because he enables us to break the shackles of sin and be free to accomplish what God wants us to accomplish.

I think that == I was asked to speak about the purpose of creation. The purpose of creation is for the glory of God, but the purpose of our creation is that that glory would == may be served, not by making great nations. We as citizens should do our part in keeping our nation going, and making it a good nation. We ^{should} do out part toward this. Not in helping throughout the world live human lives as citizens we should do that. As people we should do that. But that's not the purpose of our creation. The purpose of our creation is to show forth the glory of God by developing our spirit into the kind of spirit that He wants us to have and be. So the glory of man is as the flower of grass. But the glory of God lasts forever, and the glory of God is displayed thro man being made more and more into the image of God.

Now we have a few minutes left, and I wonder if anyone has any questions.

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