

"Frailty, Thy Name is Women"

The phrase, Frailty, thy name is women used in the play of Shakspeare in the 17th Century. This phrase was used when patriarchy and gender stereotype were dominated in Europe. A time when men ruled the society and women were only for house chores. It is important to understand that if it was just a personal experience of a girl named Hamlet, who expresses her personal grief and sense of betrayal after her father's death and her mother's remarriage with her uncle. After this play, people associated the phrase that women are weak and emotionally unstable.

For over centuries this phrase has been attached to women's character and considered her physically fragile, emotionally unstable and morally weak. This is stuck with women's character to justify the exclusion of women in leading roles like education, leadership and representation. However, history has proven that women were also been in the leading role and proven herself as a perfect model for that role. In 18th Century women were deprived of education, right to vote and equal

rights, however the evolution of women's rights over centuries has been revolutionary. In every century, she proven herself and again the rights that were granted to men without any struggle.

There are various examples in history and at present where women is leading in politics, education, media, science and technology.

If we talk about politics, the biggest example we have is Benazir Bhutto, who was the first female Prime Minister of Pakistan. She has proven that a women can be a PM in a conservative and male dominated country, Pakistan. It was not easy at all for her to be a PM at that time when in Pakistan it is nearly impossible to saw women in a leading role and especially ruling the country of male-dominated society. She faced multiple assassination attempts, political pressure even then she made progressive reforms and tell the world how a women look when she is in a leading position.

Another example, which rejected the phrase that women is weak. Asma Jhangir, a human rights lawyer, stood

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fearlessly against Dictatorship and religious extremism. She shown that not only a PM but a lawyer can fight for her rights and for the country alone. She faced multiple threats, even then stood against military and fought for people rights.

Moreover, Another big example that proves "frailty, thy name is women" is a myth. Malala Yousoufzai, a girl who was being targeted by terrorists for advocating girls education. Instead of stopping she stands for her right and for other girls who are deprived of education and basic rights. Now she is a global activists and Noble Peace Prize winner, which delivered the message to whole world that a girl can do anything if she want to do. If this phrase is correct then how she can do that.

"One child, one teacher, one book and one pen can change the world"

Malala Yousoufzai

Not only in Politics, but religion also granted women equal respect and rights. In Islam, Quran and Sunnah tells us about the rights of women. Islam

has granted women rights 1400 years ago, which shows that how powerful religion, Islam is. Till now this world has not given the women her rights but Islam has given women right years ago. One of the biggest example in Islam that manifests women strength, courage and intelligence. Hazrat Khadija (R.A) a noble business women, who was ruling in business in the male-dominated society, Mecca. She was the first woman who believed in Prophet Muhammad (p.b.uh) when his own tribe rejected him. She invested her whole money for the sake of Islam.

Prophet Muhammad said :

"She believed in me, when no other did"

The character of hazrat Khadija proven that even hundred years ago women were strong and ruling the world with her strength and intelligence.

Islam has granted women right to live, property, respect, dignity and freedom. Islam gives rights to women but in religious states, societies are dominated by patriarchal culture

where they did not give her the right that Islam gave her. The recent incident happened in Balochistan, where a woman was shot down for marrying a man of her choice. Islam gives women a right to marry according to her choice than why Patriarchal men snatched this right from her, and who give him right to kill anyone. Women still struggling for her right and even then she did not get done.

A recent incident in Balochistan, where a woman was killed in the name of honour. Her last words were

"You are allowed only to shoot me. Nothing more than that"

Her last words show that how she stood alone in a group of men want to kill her and even at the edge of death she asked for respect and dignity.

There are several examples that prove that frail is a myth and outdated and sexist statement in the 21st Century. Now women are standing with men and giving them tough competition.