

## DO NOT BE AFRAID

I brought my bedroom air-conditioner remote control to school. But I cannot use it to switch on or off the air-conditioner in my bedroom from school, because I am too far away from my home.

In his book, *"On the Wing"*, Alan Tennant recorded his efforts to track the migration of the peregrine falcons. Valued for their beauty, swiftness and power, these amazing birds were a favourite among hunters. Tennant attached transmitters to a select number of falcons to track their migration patterns. But when he and his pilot flew their plane behind the birds, they repeatedly lost signal from their transmitters. Despite their advanced technology, they were not always able to track the birds.

It is good to know that the God who cares for us never loses track of us. God is never too far away. In fact, Jesus said in **Matthew 10:29-31**, **"not a single sparrow can fall to the ground without your Father knowing it. And the very hairs on your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows."** (New Living Translation).

When we face difficult circumstances, fear may cause us to wonder if God is aware of our situation. Jesus' teaching assures us that God cares deeply and is in control. His tracking of our lives will never fail. If God cares for the birds, will He not care for His children?

Let's pray.

Dear God, as we take our exams and as we face an unknown future, we know that you care for us. You will not lose track of us. Help us not to be afraid, but to trust in you. In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.