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**A Speech by Malala Yousafzai**

 I am happy to receive this Nobel Peace Prize today, and to share it with the wonderful man from India who is trying to stop child slavery.

I am proud that I’m the first person from Pakistan to get this prize. And I am the first young person to get it. It’s a great honor for me.

 First of all, I would like to thank my family for their love and support. I’m thankful to my father for not clipping my wings, for letting me to fly and achieve my goals. For letting me show the world that a girl is not supposed to be a slave. A girl has the power to go forward in her life. She is not only a sister, wife and mother. A girl must have her own identity. She must have the same rights as a boy.

 I feel more powerful and have more courage because of this award. I believe in myself even more, because I know that there are people who are supporting me in this project. We are standing together. We all want to make sure that every child gets equal education. There are still 57 million children across the world who are not in elementary schools.

 You know that I suffered through the same situation when I was in the Swat valley and the Taliban would not allow girls to go to school. I stood up for my right to education. I really only had two options: One was to not speak up and wait to be killed. And the second was to speak up and then be killed. I chose to speak up for my education, because I wanted to go to school.

 I have received this award now, but this is not the end. This is not the end of this project which I started. I think this is really the beginning and I want to see every child in the world going to school, just like me. I thank you.

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**Going Green (Solar Power)**

When I say the word ‘green’, what do you think of? Do you just imagine the color or does the word mean more than that to you?

“Going green’ is a phrase we are hearing more and more. People who ‘go green’ are people who care about the environment and want to look after it. They think about their life at home, at school or when they are outside and make choices to help make the world better.

Let’s take the example of being at home. There are many things we can do to ‘go green’. We can turn off our computer when we are not using it. We can turn off the lights when we leave a room. We can turn off the tap while we are brushing our teeth and take shorter showers in the evening. We can also remember to recycle all of our metal, plastic or paper items.

But while everyone can do small things to help, it is governments who have the greatest role to play. One of the biggest ways is through providing ‘green energy’. An example of this is solar power.

Solar power takes the energy from the sun’s light and changes it into electricity. It is often done through large panels on the roofs of houses and other buildings. Solar power is great because it can be generated anywhere, even on a cloudy day. Best of all, it makes a clean, pure energy that shouldn’t hurt the environment.

‘Green energy’ is important for many reasons. One of the main ones is to stop world temperatures from rising. A hotter world will make it harder to grow food. Corn, coffee and grapes are all among the first things that will be affected. Less food will be a problem for everyone as prices will go up and some people will not be able to get enough to eat.

So ‘going green’ is really important. Whether it’s something big, like solar power, or something small, like turning off a light, we should all help to protect our world for the future.