

## Essay from the bold pastor

### # 287 - The Stradivarius Is Being Defeated -

Study have shown that selected audiences of violin performance responded that they preferred violins produced today to Stradivarius according to the experiment conducted by a team of institutions including the University in Paris, while the latter can cost up to 5 billion JPY to 10 billion JPY respectively 5 million dollars to 10 million dollars. The experiment was conducted at the concert halls in suburb of Paris and New York in front of 137 total composers and music critics. For evaluation by the audiences, it is reported that the performer played some solo pieces by concealing three Stradivarius violins and three new violins, evaluating attributes including the fullness of the tone.

There have been various discussions regarding the sound of Stradivarius; including the similar studies until now, however they also similarly concluded the study concluding that there is no significant difference between the Stradivarius and new instruments, which shows that there is no doubt that the experiment has been carefully conducted in several different occasions. In this study, they state that it can be either the production technology of violin has improved, or there might have been no significant difference between them in its tone as it has been believed.”, however it may be an obvious answer that being the case.

Although Stradivarius are obviously masterpiece, in 21<sup>st</sup> century with after nearly 300 years of the passing of Stradivari, it is hard to think that anyone could not create an equivalent or better violin to the Stradivarius. David the king and warrior, who created instruments on his own, and played skillfully says in the scripture that;

**“You have made my days a mere handbreadth; the span of my years is as nothing before you.**

**Everyone is but a breath, even those who seem secure.”**

**Psalms 39:5**

Today, we are seeing ending or internal disputes in production of longtime favorite television shows, retiring celebrities, and break ups of their groups, along with ending of once a top organization. Let me propose you today to use this opportunity to direct our attention once more to Christ the eternal God, and His eternal salvation and praise.

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