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IF I COULD INVENT SOMETHING NEW WHAT WOULD IT BE? <u>TOPIC: MALARIA AND MOSQUITOES THE WAY FORWARD</u> (ERADICATE MOSQUITOES FROM OUR PLANET)

Statistics have shown that children die of malaria every year and this sickness is being carried by the Anopheles mosquito.

Before I begin, I would like to acknowledge the fact that there are other beautiful inventions in the world like electricity which was invented by **Michael Faraday** the likes of **Alexander-Graham Bell** who invented the telephone and **Charles Babbage** who invented computer. I can go on and on but, all these inventions were made to ease the stress or take away some of the problems that man is currently facing. Amongst all of these extraordinary inventions what could I possibly add to ease or take away one of the issues we as humans are currently facing?

Nearly every minutes a child less than five (5) years die of malaria. The country account for an estimated 23% of cases worldwide and one third of all death.

Malaria is leading to the cause of child death in the country and about 250,000 Nigerian children die every year from this disease. So if I'm to invent anything at all it would be a chemical substance that can eradicate the Anopheles mosquitoes that are the carriers of malaria. When I say eradicate I mean go into extinction completely in my little understanding, they cause us more harm than good and if invention is meant to ease or take away the problems of man then I **Nina Obibisom Opukiri** would love to be that person to invent something so good as to eradicate mosquitoes from our planet. So many people have come up with a lot of ideas to help prevent us from mosquito bite like the use of mosquito net, insecticide, we were told to keep our environments clean yet none of these measures was able to stop mosquito from penetrating our bodies to spread this unwanted illness called malaria. for me the best idea is to create a chemical substance that can eradicate, terminate, finish, destroy completely the existence of mosquito from our society thus making us, our children, our generation even the generations to come free from mosquito bite which causes malaria. if am unable to invent a chemical substance that can terminate the existence of these mosquitoes I will make it a prayer point because we all know that the idea behind every good invention is God almighty.

Imagine coming back from work after the day's activities or stress or even returning back from school after the day's lecture hoping to get some rest at night. But these mosquitoes with their noise and bite won't allow you get the desired rest that you need to continue the next day. What a catastrophic fiasco of malady. if you ask me this particular insect should not be living amongst the living. I think is fair to do away with them once and for all.

Thank you.