

## FRUITS OF EVOLUTION

### Int.

1. Aim: To show that the fruits of evolution indicate that it is evil.
2. Mt. 7:16-18 "Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? 17. Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. 18. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither [can] a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit."
  - a. A tree is known by the fruit it bears
  - b. This is also true of the doctrine of evolution
3. Evolution is more than just an explanation of the origin of things.
  - a. It is a philosophy or way of thinking that has influenced our society in many ways.
  - b. There are two main views concerning the world - Creation or Evolution
  - c. How we view the world will determine how we live in the world.
4. There has been much harmful fruit that has come from the evolution tree!

### Discussion

#### I. EVOLUTION DESTROYS FAITH IN THE BIBLE, GOD AND JESUS

- A. Evolution provides man a way of escape in his responsibility to God.
  1. If everything in existence got here without God then there is no God.
  2. If there is no God then there will not be a judgment and we will not have to answer for the way we have lived. No Heaven or Hell!
  3. There would be no reason for feeling guilty about anything we do.

B. One cannot believe the Bible and the theory of Evolution at the same time

1. You cannot harmonize them
2. There is no place in evolution for Sin, the soul, salvation and a saviour.
3. The idea of an eternal home in heaven with God is not a part of evolutionary teaching and doctrine.

C. Evolution is atheism

1. Charles Smith, former president of the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism, said: "Evolution is Atheism."
2. Woolsey Teller, a man in the same organization, said: "The God idea cannot be reconciled with our knowledge of evolution."

D. Evolution is Destructive of Christianity.

1. Writing just after his experiences on the Beagle in 1837, Charles Darwin wrote: "I had gradually come, by this time, to see that the Old Testament, from its manifestly fake history of the world... was no more to be trusted than the sacred books of the Hindus, or the beliefs of any barbarian." Charles Darwin, The Autobiography of Charles Darwin, with Original Omissions Restored, Nora Barlow, 1969 p. 87 (granddaughter of Darwin)
2. After this, he soon rejected the New Testament as well.
3. The main opposition to Darwin did not come from the religious leaders but scientists. Most scientists believed in the immutability of the Species.

4. As Christianity began being interpreted in an evolutionary framework, the authority of the Scriptures eroded. Instead of turning to the Bible for authority, everyone was free to do as they pleased.
5. Now the emphasis is on social activities, socialism instead of sin and Redemption. This life instead of the next life.
6. Col. 3:2 "Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth."

## **II. EVOLUTION PRODUCES A LACK OF CONCERN FOR OTHERS**

### A. Evolution teaches survival of the fittest

1. Herbert Spencer coined the phrase "Survival of the Fittest" "*If they are sufficiently complete to live, they do live, and it is well they should live. If they are not sufficiently complete to live, they die, and it is best they should die.*"  
Herbert Spencer, Social Status 1850 pp. 414-415
2. Progress comes by killing off the weak to develop a stronger species.
3. Darwin assumed that this is how man emerged into his present state.
4. This is the idea that might makes right.
5. The weak are destined to die. The stronger must conquer the weaker. This is the old law of the jungle.
6. This is the spirit of lawless and complete disregard for one's neighbor.
7. In a sub-title of Darwin's book it reads: "The preservation of Favored Races in the Struggle for Life." His book is Origin of Species
8. If man reached his present state by biting, clawing, and devouring, then he should not be blamed for continuing to bite, claw and devour.

9. The Bible teaches that we should love our neighbor as our self - Jas. 2:8 "If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself, ye do well:"

B. One of the evil fruits from this lack of concern: is RACISM

1. A continual evil, but evolution has made it sound "scientific".
  - a. "At some future period, not very distant as measured by centuries, the civilized races of man will almost certainly exterminate and replace the savage races throughout the world. At the same time the anthropomorphous apes...will no doubt be exterminated. The break between man and his nearest allies will then be wider, for it will intervene between man in a more civilized state, as we may hope, even than the Caucasian, and some ape as low as a baboon, instead of as now between the Negro or Australian and the gorilla."
  - b. This is a quote by Charles Darwin, The Descent of Man, 2nd ed. p. 178
2. The idea that the different races were at different evolutionary distances from the apes, with blacks on bottom and whites on top was the almost universal belief of evolutionary scientists of the 19th century. In Europe, this laid the groundwork for the concept of Aryan supremacy in the 1930's. Hitler and Holocaust were the result.
  - a. Cecil Rhodes was a firm believer in Evolution. He believed the whites had every right to run off the natives from South Africa. He approved of the slaughter of the natives in the Congo by the Belgians. In his will, he established the Rhodes Scholarships for the purpose of uniting English speaking peoples for greater racial development.

- b. Evolution convinced anthropologists there are different races of humans at different levels on the evolutionary ladder.
- c. They believed the Jews were an inferior race.

### 3. Hitler

- a. Much has been said concerning the evils of the Third Reich. Very little is mentioned concerning the philosophy on which it was Built - Evolution and the superiority of the German peoples.
- b. The Master Race was going to be bred from the best stock. The inferior races must be eliminated.
- c. Hitler's book "Mein Kampf" = My Struggle. He believed in the struggle for existence, and the survival of the fittest.
- d. He who would live must fight. He who does not wish to fight in this world where permanent struggle is the law of life, has not the right to exist" Adolf Hitler, Mein Kampf.
- e. TWO THEMES IN HITLER'S WRITINGS AND SPEAKING.
  - (1) The necessity of struggle
  - (2) The supremacy of the Nordic race and the need of eliminating the inferior races.
- f. I don't claim that Darwin and his theory of evolution brought on the holocaust; but I cannot deny that the theory of evolution, and the atheism it engendered, led to the moral climate that made a holocaust possible.

4. Early settlers killed many Aborigines in Australia because they were thought to have not evolved as much as the white man. They were looking for the missing link between humans and apes.
  - a. Story of Ota Benga
  - b. A man named Samuel Verner a African explorer brought a young man from the Belgian Congo in 1904 to the St. Louis World's fair.
    - (1) Ota Benga was born in 1881. He was only 4 ft. 11 inches high and weighed 103 pounds. He was a dwarf pygmy. He was put on display as one of the "race specimens" along side a cage which displayed chimpanzees.
    - (2) Ota Benga was sold to the New York Zoological Society which is now the Bronx Zoo. In 1906 He was put on display with the Chimps as evidence of the theory of evolution. He was displayed with a gorilla named Dinah, and an orang-utan called Dohung. Dr. William T. Hornaday, the Zoo's evolutionist director gave long speeches on how proud he was to have this exceptional "transitional form" in his zoo and treated caged Ota Benga as if he were an ordinary animal.
  - c. The facts in the case. Ota Benga was a young married man with two children. He was a human being who longed to go back to his home.
  - d. He was unable to bear this treatment and eventually committed suicide.
  - e. RACI SM is one of the evil fruits of Evolution.

C. Christianity teaches there is one race, we all came from the same parents and therefore there are no higher or lower groups. All are equal before God. Gen. Adam - Noah - his three sons.

1. Acts 17:26 - one blood "And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;"
2. Prejudice has always been part of mankind. Now the excuse of one group not evolving as far as another is used to justify it.

### **III. EVOLUTION PRODUCES IMMORALITY - NO ETHICS**

- A. Evolution breaks down all law, moral and spiritual
1. There can be no right and wrong if evolution is really true
  2. If man is nothing more than a "matter-machine", then it is impossible to apply to man the idea of morality.
  3. When a machine breaks down one does not say "it ought not to have done that" and therefore punish it.
  4. There can be no ethics in the principle of survival of the fittest. If a man wanted to rob, kill or commit adultery then who could say it was wrong.?
  5. If we are like animals then there are no moral standards !

## B. Examples:

### 1. Marriage

- a. Why Marriage? Why not just live with someone without marriage?
- b. Why marry for life, why not several at one time? Why not men with men, women with women? What makes different ideas right or wrong?
- c. Evolution teaches marriage has evolved for the good of society. As society changes, so can marriage.
- d. Matt 19:4-6 Reject Genesis & it all becomes mere opinion!
  - (1) Male and Female
  - (2) Two Become one Flesh
  - (3) Not to Put Asunder
  - (4) One Cause for Divorce

### 2. Abortion

- a. Embryonic recapitulation was taught as proof of evolution for many years and is still found in some books. It is the idea of as a human develops in the womb it goes through evolutionary stages. It has gills which represent the fish stage and gradually evolves into a human.
- b. Ernst Haeckel started this theory and later admitted it was a fraud and that many of the drawings he had used had been altered.
- c. Even though honest evolutionists have completely rejected this theory, it is still taught, and used to justify abortion by some because you are not really killing a baby, but just an embryo in the fish stage of evolution.

d. Lack of moral absolutes brought in by evolution allows people to think it is not wrong to eliminate the unwanted.

e. Ex. 21:22-25

(1) Hurt woman with child

(2) No Mischief follow

(3) I f Mischief follow

(4) Life for life/ eye for eye

### 3. Euthanasia

a. Killing the unwanted and defective. Instead of man made in the image of God, man is now just a higher form of animal. Child in the womb is considered to be an animal or a "disease that needs treatment" (Planned Parenthood).

b. I f abortion is acceptable, how long before we kill babies after birth?

c. Evolution has been used in the past and present to justify killing defects and unwanted.

d. I nstead of "sanctity of life" being accepted because man is made in the image of God, "quality of life" is the issue.

e. Once it is in the hands of the government, it could be applied to any person thought not helpful to society or the social process of the land.

f. *"How long shall life be preserved when there in no redeeming social value? I f life has no apparent purpose, perhaps it is to the benefit of others that such lives not be salvaged."* A quote by George Paulson, "Who Should Live?"

Geriatrics, March 28, 1973

- g. Right to Die Society
- h. Dr. Jack Kevorikian taught these kinds of things - now in jail
- i. *"There are various levels at which one can consider the indication for euthanasia: a) a group of individuals who will soon be encountering death; b) a group with such severe mental damage as to be unable to express proper judgment with respect to termination of life; and c) a group with varying degrees of cognizance, but with disabilities so incapacitating and so common as to produce great hardship on society."* Dr. Robert Williams of Washington State Medical School. "Our Role in the Generation, Modification and Termination of Life," J.A.M.A.209, Aug.11,1960
- j. *"Humans without some minimum of intelligence or mental capacity are not persons, no matter how many of their organs are active, no matter how spontaneous their living processes are... I diots are not, never were, and never will be in any degree responsible. I diots, that is to say, are not human."* Joseph Fletcher, as quoted in "Death Act Dies in California" by Martin Mawyer in Fundamentalist Journal, (June 1988): 61. At the 1988 San Francisco Conference of the World Federation of Right-to-Die Societies.
- k. Rom. 13:9 "Thou shalt not kill"

## Conclusion

1. The fruits of evolution are all evil
  2. Remember what Jesus said: "Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire." Mt. 7:19
  3. The evolution tree is bad!! It produces evil fruit:
    - a. Destroys Faith in God, Christ and the Bible
    - b. Lack of concern for fellow man - Racism - Hitler
    - c. Immorality
      - i. Marriage
      - ii. Abortion
      - iii. Euthanasia
    - d. Evil tree = Evil fruit
  4. Creationism is the teaching of the Bible !
    - a. It builds up our faith in God, Christ and the Bible
    - b. Produces concern for others
    - c. Produces morality and ethics
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