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Once you accept Darwin's postulate, morality, the sense of right and wrong, the sense of fairness, goes out of the window. There is no accountability: man does not have to answer to a non-existent Almighty. You are left with selfishness and the perpetual struggle for the survival of the fittest. But this does not provide the happiness it seems to offer!¹ Man merely has to struggle for survival, come what may – the 'best' man will always win, and the weakest will go to the wall! Nor should we have any regrets about it; indeed, we should be glad of it, and rejoice in the 'improvement' of the race.

Although it is a blatant – and extreme – example of what I am talking about, never forget the Nazi party under Adolf Hitler (1889-1945)!² Never forget its blatant racism, its gross breeding-programme designed to produce a superior Germanic Aryan race, and its policy of forced sterilization, genocide and industrial holocaust to eliminate the 'unfit' –

¹ Jean-Paul Sartre (1905-1980): 'Everything is permissible if God does not exist, and as a result man is forlorn, because neither within him nor without does he find anything to cling to. He can't start making excuses for himself' (Jean-Paul Sartre: *Existentialism and Humanism*, 1945). But as he also said: 'That God does not exist, I cannot deny; that my whole being cries out for God I cannot forget'.

² Although Hitler needed no encouragement in his fervour for the application of Darwinism, Erich Ludendorff (1865-1937) did nothing to dampen it. Ludendorff – Quartermaster of the German Army in World War I – was a social Darwinist who looked on peace as just an abnormal interlude in the normality of war, war being 'the foundation of human society'. An anti-Semite, Ludendorff detested Christianity; he played a not-insignificant part in Hitler's rise to power. 'War, the belief in violence and the right of the stronger, were not the corruptions of Nazism; they were its essence' (Alan Bullock: *Hitler: A Study in Tyranny*, The Companion Book Club, London, 1954, p327).

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especially the Jews in ‘The Final Solution’! All this flowed inexorably and openly – brazenly – from ‘the survival of the fittest’. There is no baulking the fact. Take, as a couple of examples, Hitler’s *Mein Kampf* and the 1935 Nazi film ‘The Inheritance’.

Incidentally – and this is very important – the Nazi scheme was not the responsibility of a tiny number at the top – a few perverted, all-powerful tyrants. That is a myth! Historical, academic, research on a massive number of files, which the Nazis failed to destroy, has proved beyond doubt that while it was a mere handful of Gestapo in a town which effectively ran the procedure, those with the power of life and death in their hands were not working alone, imposing their sadism on the population: the secret police depended on the heaps – and I mean heaps – of letters they received from ‘ordinary’ locals, letters which gave them ‘information’ about people the informants thought ‘unfit’ (for whatever reason). The Gestapo simply did the paperwork involved in the process of having these ‘misfits’ eliminated.³

Evolutionists may try to argue that this was an aberration, but they are whistling in the wind. Yes, Hitler was remorseless in his logic, but his rationale was ‘the survival of

³ To explore this further would take me beyond the remit of this booklet, but the fact is, the higher echelon of the Nazi regime issued orders to its subordinates to encourage – or, at the very least, turn a blind eye to – lawless reprisals which broke out among disparate groups in the occupied territories. Countless atrocities were committed as a result. It was not just the Nazis. Just one statistic must suffice. In 1939, seventeen days after Germany invaded Poland from the West, Russia invaded from the East. Nikita ‘Khrushchev ruthlessly suppressed any sections of the population who might oppose Soviet power: priests, officers, noblemen, intellectuals were kidnapped, murdered and deported to eliminate the very existence of Poland. By November 1940, one tenth of the population, or 1.17 million innocents, had been deported. Thirty percent of them were dead by 1941; 60,000 were arrested and 50,000 shot’ (Simon Sebag Montefiore: *Stalin: 1939-1953*, Phoenix, London, 2004, p15).

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the fittest'. The Nazis took evolution seriously: they gloried in the survival of the fittest; they wallowed in it.⁴ After all, they were only following evolution's fundamental principle, and following it to the letter: violent competition is the order of the day; perpetual struggle should be encouraged, not apologised for; survival and reproduction of the fittest are the vital drivers, and nothing must stand in their way.

⁴ Hitler: 'The idea of struggle is as old as life itself, for life is only preserved because other living things perish through struggle... In this struggle, the stronger, the more able, win, while the less able, the weak, lose. Struggle is the father of all things... It is not by the principles of humanity that man lives or is able to preserve himself above the animal world, but solely by means of the most brutal struggle... If you do not fight for life, then life will never be won' (Hitler's speech at Kulmbach, 5th Feb. 1928, quoted by Bullock p31).