

So... You Believe in Evolution?

You believe in evolution? You do? You believe that Charles Darwin was right, and everything is as it is because of ‘the survival of the fittest’? Have I got it right? You really believe that we humans are the highest form of development so far, and that we’ve got here by blind fate somehow or another using the principle of ‘the survival of the fittest’?

Very well.

So, I suppose, you think that many thousands of years ago the ape was the highest form of existence in this chain of development. And then, for some reason or another – I wonder what? – this ape began to develop into a humanoid. Or rather, into several, different kinds of humanoids. Naturally, some of these were ‘fitter’ than others, better adapted to survive. Indeed, in the course of time, one of these humanoids proved to be the fittest of the lot. The rest died out or were exterminated, and we ended up with what we’ve got now – *homo sapiens*. *Homo sapiens* – you and I – we are the highest form of development – so far! And we got here by blind fate, natural selection and ‘the survival of the fittest’.

Am I right? This is what you believe? ‘The survival of the fittest’, you believe, is the underlying principle which governs all things. It was the removal of the weakest humanoids, the elimination of the unfit, the eradication of the defective, which got us where we are today. This is what you believe. You think ‘the survival of the fittest’ is the universal rule. And you want your children to be taught it in school.

Very well. May I ask you a couple of questions?

First, what comes into your mind when you hear of natural disasters – famines, earthquakes, tsunamis and the like? Do you blurt out: ‘Doesn’t God care? Why doesn’t

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he do something about it?’ Many people do, you know. Oh yes, they do. And most of them are just like you – they say they believe in blind fate bringing about the development of the species by ‘the survival of the fittest’. And yet, when – according to what they say they believe – blind fate eliminates millions in carrying out this process, wiping them out by natural disasters, what do they do? They immediately start complaining against God! Just now they were praising the glories of blind fate and ‘the survival of the fittest’, but as soon as things start to go wrong, as soon as things happen which they don’t like – why, they blame God! They blame the God they say they don’t believe exists!

So, my friend, if you really do believe in ‘the survival of the fittest’, when you next hear of a natural disaster, please bear in mind that this is just what you say you believe in – the survival of the fittest. After all, ‘the survival of the fittest’ means ‘the elimination of the weakest, the eradication of the most vulnerable’. So don’t complain when blind fate – as you believe – gets on with it!

And, of course, you must never get worked up when you hear that some of your fellow men – that highest form of development produced by blind fate, as you believe – carry out the mass extermination of millions. You must not, for instance, complain about the genocide under Hitler, Stalin, Mao Zedong, Pol Pot, and all the rest. This is what ‘the survival of the fittest’ – ‘the extermination of the weakest’ – means. You won’t complain if another Hitler gasses millions of Jews, gypsies, mental defectives, will you? After all, Hitler was nothing if not an advocate of the principle of ‘the survival of the fittest’. He really did believe in it and did all he could to carry it out!

Long before, in *Mein Kampf* he had spelled it out: ‘A stronger race will drive out the weaker ones, for the vital urge in its ultimate form will break down the absurd

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barriers of the so-called humanity of individuals to make way for the humanity of Nature which destroys the weak to give their place to the strong'. As Lord Russell of Liverpool commented: 'That is the law of the jungle; little wonder that it brought in its train so much misery, agony, destruction and death'.

But do I still hear you objecting to Hitler and his cronies, and their vile ways? Why are you up in arms about it? 'It's not right', do I hear you say? 'It's wrong, it's evil, it's wicked'. Well... that's most interesting. Right? Wrong? Evil? Wicked? Where do *they* come from? In the theory of evolution, I mean. They are to do with morals, aren't they? Just now you told me you believed in 'blind fate'. There's no right and wrong about blind fate! If you want to talk about right and wrong, you'd better stop believing in evolution, that's for sure!

It seems to me you like the idea of 'the survival of the fittest' when you are talking about ages long ago – but you're not quite so fond of it when it comes closer to home. You don't like it, do you, especially when it touches you personally, and you begin to realise that you are no longer one of the 'fittest'. Perhaps, the doctor tells you, *you* might not survive this present illness? Perhaps blind fate might be preparing to put an end to *you*? And you don't like it?

And take this question of right and wrong. How did we human beings get our sense of it? Right and wrong. Hmm! An interesting puzzle, is it not? I will return to it.

I said I had a couple of questions. My second is this. If it really is 'the survival of the fittest' – as you believe it is – then it must be that things are getting fitter, better all the time. We must be making more and more progress. It would seem to be so if it really is 'the survival of the fittest'. Is this what you believe?

Think about it for a minute. I quite agree that we are making tremendous improvements and progress in

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medicine, transport, computers – oh! in lots and lots of ways. Of course we are. But – and you know this well enough – that’s not the whole story, is it? Not by a long chalk! Think about the last 100 years. Surely you haven’t forgotten all those wars with all their suffering, misery, anguish and ruin, have you? Just now I mentioned a few of the notorious gentlemen of the 20th century, men who were an indescribable curse to the human race. They wrought more havoc upon their victims in 5 minutes than other men, in centuries past, did in a lifetime. Can you really say things are improving? The first World War was billed as the war to end all wars. Try telling *that* to the people of Iraq and Afghanistan in 2010! And if you are reading this in 2050, or whenever, try telling it to the people of... wherever it will be in that day. If such a time exists, there will be a war going on then, somewhere; of that, I have no doubt. *Nor do you!* When will evolution and blind fate stop us warring with each other? Things getting better? You can’t be serious!

And it’s not only war. Think of the violence, the child-abuse, the betrayal, and all the rest of it, which is commonplace today. Take the internet. What a power for good! Ah, but the paedophile knows how to use it to gain his ends, doesn’t he? Can you really think things are getting better? I say the opposite. Despite all the undeniable progress we see around us, man’s heart is as wicked as ever it was. Indeed, I say there is far more loneliness, more fear, more sadness, more dissatisfaction than ever. Surely there must be a better explanation of all this than evolution and ‘the survival of the fittest’.

There is.

My friend, listen to yourself talking. Stand back and hear yourself. You say you believe in evolution, you believe in ‘the survival of the fittest’. Quite. You *believe*. That’s the key. Did you hear yourself saying it? You *believe*. I know they want to call evolution a science – but

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that's just what it's not. For it to be a science, man must be able to measure what is going on. By definition man was not there in the beginning. Evolutionists think man is a very late arrival on the scene. So how can evolution – on its own terms – be a science? It's a nonsense to suggest it! Evolution is a religion, pure and simple. It's a religion every bit as much as Christianity. You *believe* in evolution. You *believe* in 'the survival of the fittest'. Very well. Recognise the truth about yourself. You believe. You're religious. You have a religion. You have a faith. You have a god. Your god is blind fate. And your god works on the basis of 'the survival of the fittest'. *That* is what you *believe*.

So stop complaining when your god has his way, and millions are exterminated. Indeed, shouldn't you go along with him, defend eugenics and the elimination of the handicapped and defective? Let the fittest survive! That should be your watch-word. Three cheers for survival – of the fittest! Blind fate rules OK?

You don't like it? No, of course you don't. You don't like it because you have a conscience and a sense of right and wrong. I said I would return to it. I know you have a conscience. And I know how you got it. God gave it to you. The Bible tells me so. In all nature around you, God has shown you that he exists. And he has given you a conscience to accuse you when you do wrong. Take a look at the Bible – Romans 1:20; 2:15 for a start. If you don't know where to find the page, Romans is listed in the table of contents at the front of the Bible. What those verses say is true, isn't it? You have a conscience. You blush sometimes, don't you? You are ashamed from time to time? Your conscience sometimes accuses you? Where does *that* come from? God gave it to you! Evolution didn't! God did. And, no matter how hard you try, you can't quite stifle it, can you? From time to time, you hear

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its voice, don't you? You can't shut it up altogether, can you?

Let me tell you another thing about your religion. You say you believe in 'the survival of the fittest'. Listen to yourself once again. 'The survival of the fittest', indeed! What a religion! What a religion to live and die by! Think about it! The best that evolution can offer is... what? Survival! Survival – I ask you! What a religion! Look at the misery it causes now – and look at what it offers for the future – survival at best! Or, if you happen to be one of the weaker ones, elimination. Survive or be eliminated – that's evolution, for you! That's your religion!

Do you know, I don't like the look of your religion. How does it look to you, now that you have thought about it?

There is a better way. Let me tell you about it. God created the universe. God created you. Man sinned. You sin. I do. And sin is the root cause of all the misery I have spoken about. Not blind fate. But God in his great mercy sent his Son into the world to shed his blood as a sacrifice to atone for sin, and all who trust the Lord Jesus Christ will be everlastingly saved. Of course, all who do not trust him will everlastingly perish. But there is no need of it: 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life... Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God' (John 3:16,18).

So don't delay. You dare not delay. Give up your trust in blind fate and 'the survival of the fittest'. It's no good. It's not fit for purpose! No! Admit that you are a sinner, unfit for God. Repent of your sins. Tell God you are sorry. Turn to him. And he will save you, if you trust his Son. Do so at once. Trust Christ now!