



THE FRUITS OF ATHEISM

Fruits of Christianity

“Christianity, as soon as it conquered the State, put an end to the gladiatorial shows, not because they were cruel, but because they were idolatrous. The result, however, was to diminish the widespread education in cruelty by which the populace of Roman towns were degraded. Christianity also did much to soften the lot of slaves....”

Bertrand Russell (1995), “Ideas that have Helped Mankind,” *Unpopular Essays* (New York: Routledge), p. 150.

“...It established charity on a large scale, and inaugurated hospitals. Although the great majority of Christians failed lamentably in Christian charity, the ideal remained alive and in every age inspired some notable saints. In a new form, it passed over modern Liberalism, and remains the inspiration of much that is most hopeful in our somber world.”

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Charles Darwin once wrote:

“There is no fundamental difference between man and the higher mammals in their mental faculties.”

(1898, *Life and Letters of Charles Darwin*
(London: Appleton).

No Rules For Human Conduct

“Modern science directly implies that there are no inherent moral or ethical laws, no absolute guiding principles for human society.”

William Provine, 1988, “Evolution and the Foundation of Ethics”, *MBL Science*, volume 3, number 1, pp. 25-29.

Teens and Sexuality

Before we condemn our teenagers for having sex behind the bike sheds and becoming pregnant, we should remember that this is a natural response by these girls to their rising fertility levels. Society may ‘tut, tut’ about them, but **their actions are part of an evolutionary process that goes back nearly two million years....**

Dr. Laurence Shaw at a meeting of European Society of Human Reproduction and Embryology in Prague, Czech Republic, **2006**.

Abortion and Evolution

Among some animal species, infant killing appears to be a natural practice. Could it be natural for humans too, a trait inherited from our primate ancestors? Charles Darwin noted in *The Descent of Man* that infanticide has been “probably the most important of all checks on population growth throughout most of human history.”

Barbara Burke (1974), "Infanticide," *Science*, Vol. 185, p. 653.

Atheism and the Value of Human Life

“If we compare a severely defective human infant with a nonhuman animal, a dog or a pig, for example, we will often find the nonhuman to have superior capacities.... Only the fact that the defective infant is a member of the species *Homo sapiens* leads it to be treated differently from the dog or pig. Species membership alone, however, is not morally relevant.”

Peter Singer, 1983, “Sanctity of Life or Quality of Life,” *Pediatrics*, 72[1]:128-129.

Atheism Has No Problem Killing Babies

“That a fetus is known to be disabled is widely accepted as a ground for abortion. Yet in discussing abortion, we say that birth does not mark a morally significant dividing line. I cannot see how one could defend the view that fetuses may be ‘replaced’ before birth, but newborn infants may not.”

Peter Singer, 2000, *Writings on an Ethical Life*, p. 191.

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“Nevertheless the main point is clear: killing a disabled infant is not morally equivalent to killing a person. Very often it is not wrong at all.”

Peter Singer, 2000, *Writings on an Ethical Life*, p. 193.

Atheism and the Value of Human Life

“Some unfortunate humans—perhaps because they have suffered brain damage—are not rational agents. What are we to say about them? The natural conclusion, according to the doctrine we are considering, would be that their status is that of mere animals. And perhaps we should go on to conclude that they may be used as non-human animals are used—perhaps as laboratory subjects, or as food”

James Rachels, 1990, *Created From Animals: The Moral Implications of Darwinism*, p. 186.

Adolf Hitler

“Thus there results the subjection of a number of people under the will, often of only a few persons, a subjection based simply upon the right of the stronger, a right which, as we see in Nature, can be regarded as the sole conceivable right, because it is founded on reason.”

From the English translation of *Mein Kampf* (Hutchinson, 1947) and *Hitler's Speeches* (1942).

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2006 Distinguished Texas Scientist

Enthusiastically supported eliminating 90% of the world's human population, stating that humans are "no better than bacteria"

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My Captain

(by Dorothea Day)

Out of the light that dazzles me,
Bright as the sun from pole to pole
I thank the God I know to be
For Christ is the conqueror of my soul

Since His the sway of circumstance
I would not wince nor cry aloud
Under the rule which men call chance
My head with joy is humbly bowed.

Beyond this place of sin and tears
That life with Him! And His the aid,
Despite the menace of the years,
Keeps, and shall keep me, unafraid

I have no fear, though strait the gate,
He cleared my punishment from the scroll
Christ is the master of my fate
Christ is the captain of my soul.