
CONSEQUENCES OF A BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW



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“Richard Dawkins Explains Natural Selection”
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mc2kFmJR2SI>

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“That is exactly what we are for. We are machines for propagating DNA, and the propagation of DNA is a self sustaining process. It is every living objects' sole reason for living...”

*“Christmas Lecture Study Guide” for the BBC Special
Growing Up in the Universe, p21*

*Quoted in “The Poole Dawkins Exchange” accessed at
[http://faculty.smu.edu/jclam/science_religion/
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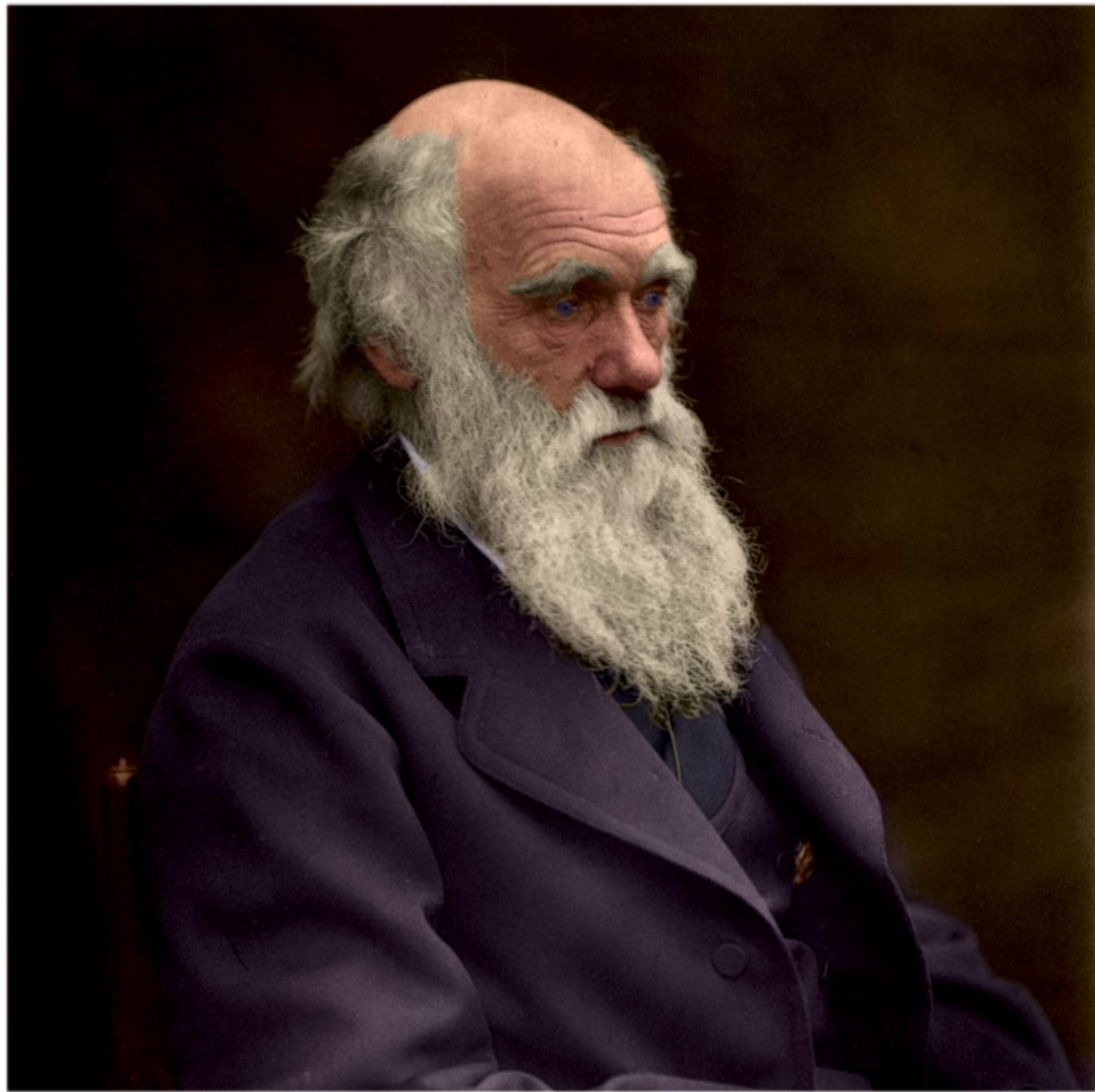
- Abstract concepts, like morality, have a solid foundation.
 - ▶ Morality is because God is — rooted in God's nature.
 - ▶ What is the basis for an atheist's view of morality?
 - ➔ How does atheism *consistently* define good and evil?
 - ▶ Consider how sin is defined in Romans 11.26.
 - ➔ Sin is ultimately contrary to God - Psalm 51.4

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- **Man has intrinsic value.**
 - ▶ **What does God reveal in His word? — Genesis 1.26-27**
 - ➡ **Affirmed in the NT — Acts 17.28-29**
 - ➡ **Man is called to value everyone — 1 Peter 2.17**
 - ▶ **What value does man have in an atheistic system?**
 - ➡ **A machine to propagate DNA, leading to higher life?**
 - ➡ **Consider the words of Charles Darwin:**

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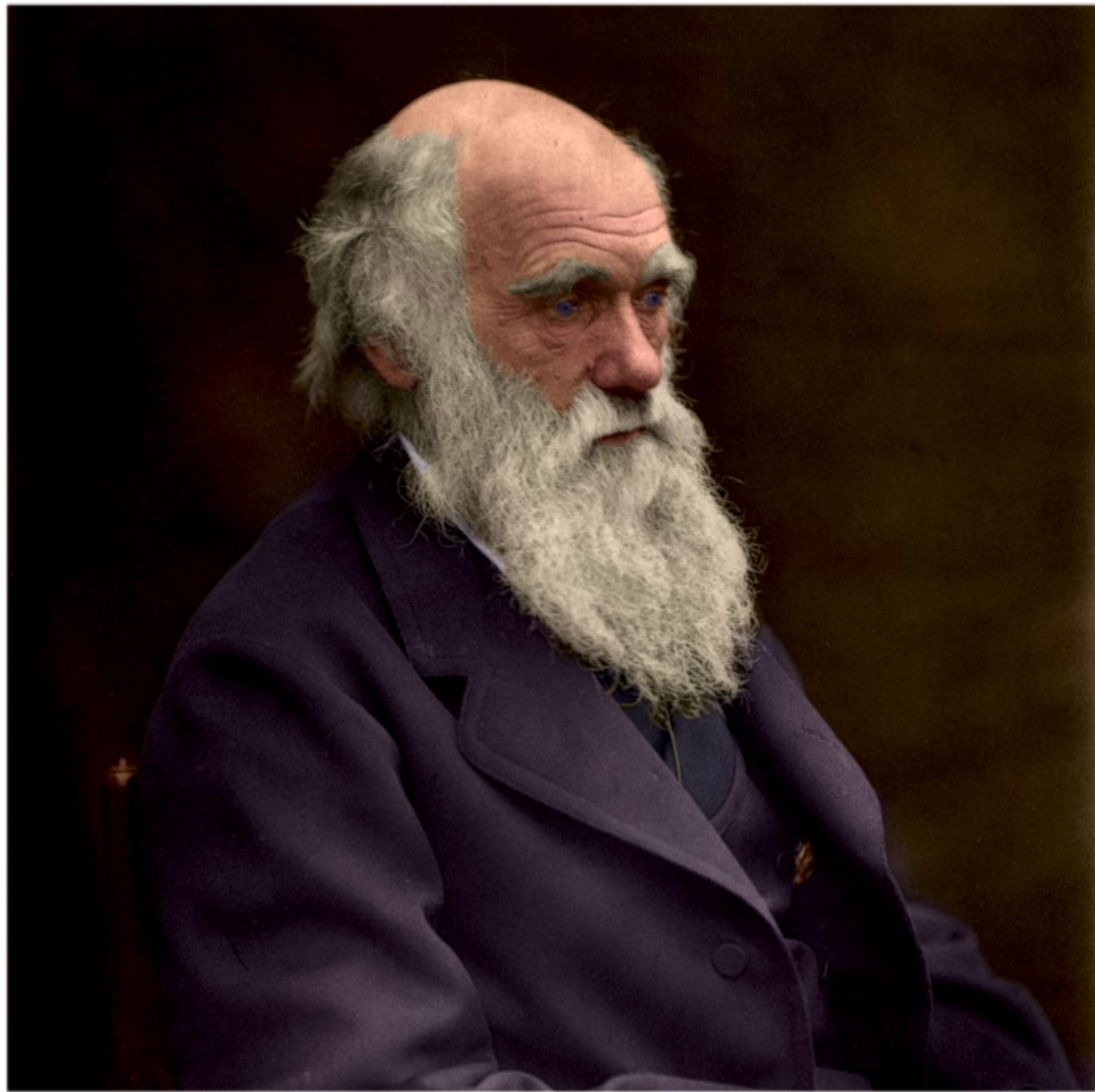


“The main conclusion here arrived at, and now held by many naturalists who are well competent to form a sound judgment, is that man is descended from some less highly organised form.”

*Charles Darwin, The Descent of Man, (3/24/2011)
Kindle Edition, (Kindle Locations 10761-10764).*

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“We civilised men... do our utmost to check the process of elimination; we build asylums for the imbecile, the maimed, and the sick; we institute poor-laws; and our medical men exert their utmost skill to save the life of every one to the last moment. ... Thus the weak members of civilised societies propagate their kind.... It is surprising how soon a want of care, or care wrongly directed, leads to the degeneration of a domestic race; but excepting in the case of man himself, hardly any one is so ignorant as to allow his worst animals to breed.”

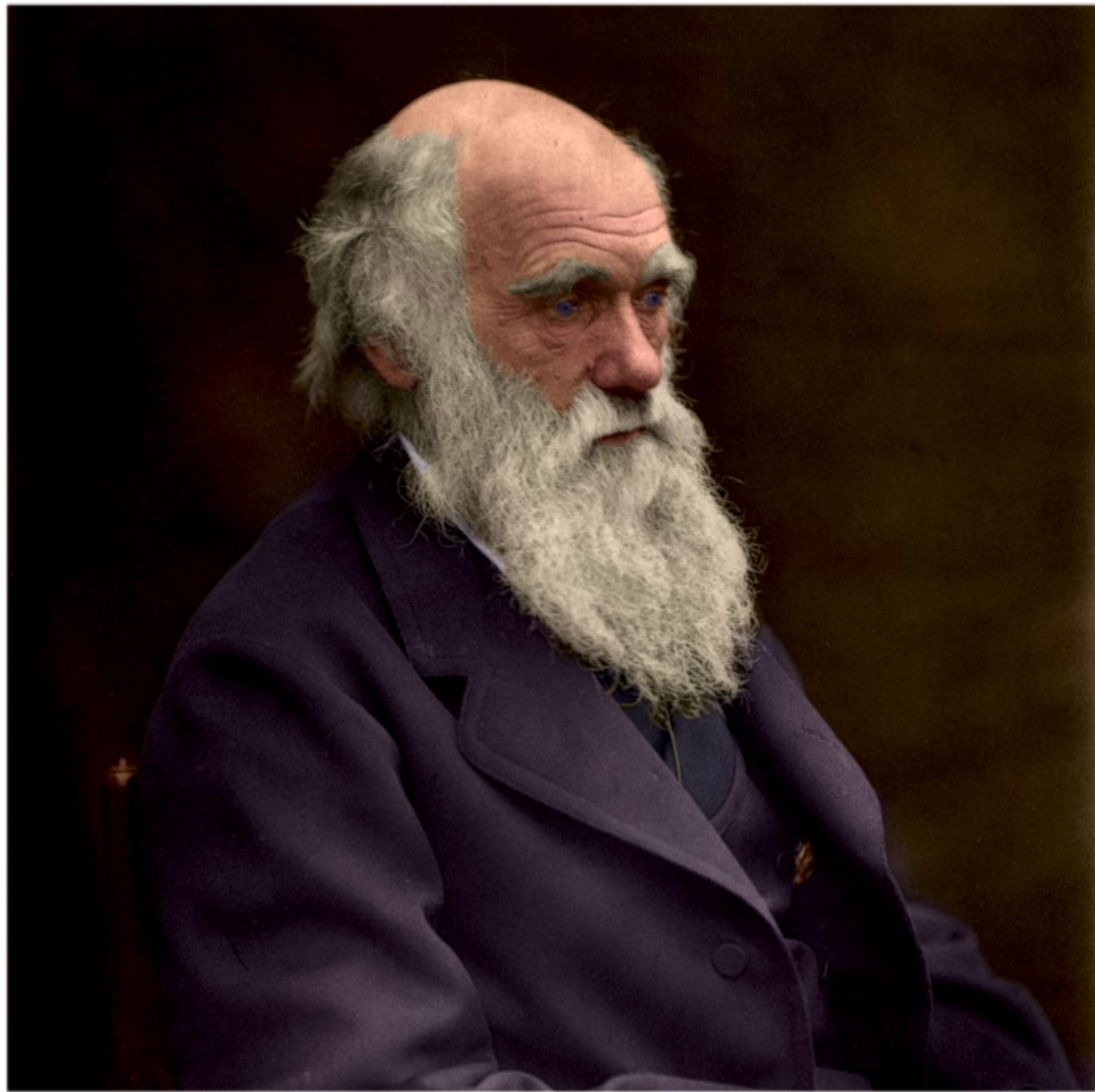
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- **Man, in all forms, stands on equal footing.**
 - ▶ **God affirms the similarity of mankind — Acts 17.24-26**
 - ➡ **The Genesis account is a fundamental part of Scripture!**
 - ▶ **Neither atheism nor theistic evolution can reasonably ascribe fundamental value to all of humanity.**
 - ➡ **Consider, again, the words of Charles Darwin:**

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“The more civilized so-called Caucasian races have beaten the Turkish hollow in the struggle for existence. Looking to the world at no very distant date, what an endless number of the lower races will have been eliminated by the high civilized races throughout the world.”

Hank Hanegraaff, *The Face that Demonstrates the Farce of Evolution*
(Nashville, Word Publishing, 1998), 24-25
quoting a personal letter from Darwin to W. Graham, dated 3 July 1881

WHAT GOD PROVIDES:

- **A purposeful life and intentional creation.**
- **A legitimate foundation for concepts like morality.**
- **Intrinsic, inherent dignity and value for humanity.**
- **Equal footing for all mankind, and thus the destruction of any flavor of racism.**