

The Reprobate Mind

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And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient... – Rom 1:28

Proper interpretation of this verse requires an understanding of the ancient definitions of its terms. Many English words have taken on new meanings in the 400 years since the KJV was written. By a “reprobate mind” is meant a mind that has been made worthless by dysfunction and perversion. By “not convenient” is meant inconsistent or incoherent. The verse says that as a man seeks to evict the true God of Heaven from his mind, displacing Him either with Atheism or humanly-fabricated religion, the effect will be a mind so darkened that it will contradict itself. The modern world has done just this, displacing Creator God with the absurd notions of Darwinian evolution, and this in turn had led to the darkened, contradictory minds that we see everywhere about us today, including in leadership, academia and in self-proclaimed science.

Consider the following contradictions that are believed and advocated by many today:

1) In the science class we are told that the reason we are the most advanced species on earth is that we were the winners in a fight for survival. This is why we can do such wonderful things as build spaceships, design supercomputers, decode genetics, compose music, etc. These are of course good things that serve to the benefit of nearly all. However, in our history class, sociology class, political science class, etc., we are told that winners are evil, and that they almost surely attained their success through exploitation of others, and that Socialism and similar measures must be implemented to contain them.

2) This “survival of the fittest” process that has been substituted for Creator God would never produce a homosexual or transsexual because such behaviors are counter to the survival and perpetuation of the race. Indeed, one would think such things to be even more heretical under Darwinism than under religion. Yet, we are told these are not sicknesses and are in no need of remedy; rather, we should accept such behaviors and consider ourselves

evil for even questioning them or questioning why they contradict both our religion and our presumed science.

3) Accordingly, this “survival of the fittest” process that has so minutely molded us over millions of years of evolution would never produce someone who would destroy their own progeny, yet those who practice abortion are not to be viewed as perverted or sick, but as ones who are merely exercising their most sacred right.

4) We are told that Darwinian evolution has been steadily advancing us for hundreds of millions of years, yet, curiously, we are effectively told not to invest much confidence in it going forward. Rather, our future is far more apt to bring degeneration, decimation and extinction, both for ourselves and most other species as well.

Indeed, these are things that are “not convenient” and can only be the products of a reprobate mind. Notwithstanding, Darwin, Huxley, etc. are received with open arms in our textbooks and are still praised as viable substitutes for Almighty, Creator God.