

Tomorrow is the first day of the Chinese Lunar New Year, i.e. the Year of Monkey. This lets me think of the Evolutionism which holds that human beings were evolved from monkeys. However, as monkeys have a tail while men do not, then evolutionists have excluded Monkeys but considered Apes instead.

In 1836, Thomas Huxley (1829 – 1895), a British biologist supporting the Evolutionism, claimed that human beings were evolved from apes because of the similarities between both. What he said casually in a debate since then has been regarded as a classic by thousands of thousands people.

Subsequently, evolutionists collected a lot of evidences to support Huxley's argument which had shocked the world. These evidences – skulls, hairs, teeth, heights, walking gestures, outlooks – supported the similarities between men and apes. Apes had evolved to the ancestors of Neanderthal men, who in turn evolved to the ancestors of human beings.

Huxley used the words such as “similar”, “like”. Can this kind of words be taken seriously as truth? Those rigorous scientists would ask, “What are being used to compare? When one thing is said to be like another, how similar should they be?” There is no doubt that human beings and apes are different widely in mind, morality, reasoning and understanding. Furthermore, men have 23 pairs of chromosome while apes have 24. How could apes evolve to human beings?

The major difference between men and animals is that men have religion and worship while the latter do not. It is a universal phenomenon that men would worship their gods, irrespective of their geographic locations, intelligence levels or cultural advancements. Animals cannot worship no matter how intelligent they are. The reason for this can be seen in the Genesis. When God created man, He breathed into his nostrils the breath of life -- the spirit of mankind – which enables man to communicate with God, his creator. Therefore, human beings are religious creatures knowing how to worship their gods.

The Bible says that among the created God loves men most and hence all other creatures are created for the sake of men. From this wonderful creation of God, we can see that how long, wide, high and deep God's love is to men.



Some studies find that the functions of men's brain, which is about 1 to 1.5 Kg in weight, are so marvellous that no man-made computers can be comparable, because:

- a. Men's brain is the one and only model.
- b. Jointly working with the visual system, the brain can identify over one hundred thousand colours.
- c. Jointly working with the olfactory system, it can identify thousands of different smells.
- d. It drives the heart to work 10 to 100 beats per minute in 24 hours throughout a year, supplying all nutrients needed by the body.
- e. It is a super data storage centre, which keeps records of 3D colour images together with sound, smell and brightness.

It requires a space equivalent to the whole Hong Kong City Hall to store all the data that a brain of a 30-year man has kept. More specially, this super-function “machine” has emotion and sentiment, which can perform extraordinary functions under certain emotional or special circumstances. You may have heard about the story that a mother who was able to lift up a car in order to save her child's life.

God is particularly mindful of men. No wonder King David said in Psalms 8:4 that “what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him?”

The God, the Lord Almighty, that we know is the Creator who loves us and cares for us. We should be thankful to Him as we are living in His grace. We should be willing to live a life magnifying His image because we were created in His own image. Amen!