

## PASSAGE 2

Along with the new revelations of science and psychology, there have also occurred distortions of what is being discovered. Most of the scientists and psychologists have accepted Darwin's theory of evolution and his observations on "Survival of the fittest" as a final word. While enunciating his postulate on the concept of the fittest, Darwin primarily projected physical force as the main criterion and remained unmindful of the culture of mind. The psychologist, on the other hand, in his exclusive involvement with the psyche, has overlooked the potential of man's physical self and the world outside him. No synthesis has been attempted between the two; with the obvious result of the one being sacrificed at alter of the other. This has given birth to a civilization which is wholly based on economic considerations, transforming man into a mere "economic being" and limiting his pleasure and sorrows to sensuous cravings.

With the force of his craft and guns, this man of the modern world gave birth to two cannibalistic philosophies, the cunning capitalism and the callous communism. They joined hands to block the evolution of man as a cultural entity, denuding him of the feelings of love, sympathy and humanness. Technologically, man is immensely powerful; culturally he is the creature of Stone Age, as lustful as ever and equally ignorant of his destiny. The two world wars and the resultant attitudes display harrowing distortion of the purposes of life and power. In this agonizing situation, the scientist is harnessing forces of nature, placing them at the feet of his country's leaders to be used against people in other parts of the world. This state of his servility makes the functions of the scientist appear merely to push humanity to a state of perpetual fear, and lead man to the inevitable destruction as species, with his own inventions and achievements.

This irrational situation raises many questions. They concern the role of a scientist, the function of religion, the conduct of politician who is directing the course of history, and the future role of man as a species. There is an obvious mutilation of the purpose of creation, and the relationship between Cosmos, Life, and Man is hidden from eyes; they have not been viewed collectively.

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### **A Poor Précis**

New explorations into the evolution of man have many a drawback. Darwin's theory emphasized physical force as the prime agent (1) in this regard. (2) He neglected altogether man's physical self and world around him. It resulted in the imbalance

## The future of man and role of science

Emerging new information is distorting the discoveries of science. Scientists and psychologists agree on Darwin's theory. As Darwin focused on body, and psychologists focus on mind only. There is a lack of harmony between body and mind. This has reduced man to an economic entity. The rise of Capitalism and Communism has stripped man of Empathy and compassion. Man may be modern in terms of technology but when it comes to culture he is still in stone age. ~~To make the~~ In such situation the scientists are acting subservient to politicians, leading to destruction of humanity. This situation raises question about the role of scientists, religion and politicians in making both history and future.

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