

Evolution is central to the Church of Reality

The first principle of the Sacred Principles is the {In:Principle of Positive Evolution}. The reality of evolution is central to our core beliefs. Evolution is all around us and is part of everything we do. The {In:Tree of Knowledge} is based on evolution, and the human race is evolving through the Tree. The Tree of Knowledge - which represents the sum total of all human understanding - is where human evolution is making the greatest progress. In fact, the exploration of reality the way it really is, is in fact the process of evolution.

What is the difference between humans now and humans 200 years ago? Physically and genetically we are almost identical. But we are very different. We now live twice as long as we did then. We can travel to the moon. We communicate instantly over vast distances. We have cars, planes, computers, and cell phones. Our medical technology has eradicated several diseases from the planet and we now take a pill to cure us of diseases that used to be fatal. What is different? We are evolving through the Tree. We know more than we used to know.

The {In:Principle of Positive Evolution} is not only about recognizing our progress through evolution, but about taking control of our evolution, making sure that it's positive, even speeding it up. We are committed to evolving in the Sacred Direction - forward - towards a brighter future. Our commitment to making tomorrow better than today is a commitment to supporting our evolutionary progress.

One of the Sacred Missions of the Church of Reality is to help other religions evolve in the {In:Sacred Direction} by challenging them on the basis of what is real. Religions are constantly evolving - sometimes forward - sometimes backwards. When religions turn their back on reality they start down the Path of Destruction and become Extinctionists. And often their destructiveness isn't limited to their own members - so - we as Realists have to bring up reality and help others stay in touch with the real world.