

by gradual changes there is motion. Darwin thought of this theory and thought he'd like to write a big book about it. So he wrote his theory up, put it in a safe and more or less forgot about it for a number of years.

He read the book I just referred to that Disraeli had parodied, and he was very disgusted with it and he wrote scathing notes about it in the margin of his copy of the book. But his own theory he had put away in his safe. He often discussed it with Huxley, and Huxley said, I just can't see it at all.

Then the time came when another man, a friend of Darwin's who was over in another side of the world on a scientific expedition, and not having much to do one day, not having much to read, happened to pick up this book of Malchus--the same book Darwin had read. He picked up Malchus book and read it, and when he read it the same idea flashed into his head that came into Darwin's head. Why that's how one species changes into another. So Wallace wrote a letter to his good friend Chas. Darwin, and he said, Darwin, I've just thought of a clever idea. I've just been reading Malchus and I've thought of a clever idea of the struggle for survival and the survival of the fittest and that's how one species changes into another.

When Darwin got the letter, well he'd read Malchus too and gotten the same idea 20 years earlier and he had the theory written up and in a safe. He said to a friend, What am I going to do? The friend said, You go to the scientific society, read them what you wrote 20 years ago and also read them what Wallace has written. And present the two. And Darwin did. There wasn't much interest in it at the society. Those present mentioned it as a rather uninteresting meeting.

Then Darwin thought somebody else will get the idea and write it up. Maybe Wallace will. I'd better get my book out. So he wrote to a publisher and he asked them to publish the book that he hurriedly wrote up, not nearly as long as he wanted to. He hurriedly wrote it up and asked this publisher who had published one or two books by his before to publish this book.

The publisher said, I don't there will be much sale for this book. He said, I notice you refer to pigeons in it. Why don't you just write a book about pigeons? Everybody's interested in pigeons. But he said, I don't think this book will ever sell. Darwin was anxious to get his theory out, and he asked them to publish it and even put up some money toward it. They published the book, and to Darwin's surprise and to everybody's surprise the book went like wildfire. It spread all over England.

The reason it did so was this: These people who were turning away from religion, turning to materialistic teaching, and not wishing to believe that God had created the world, but that these things had all come about by natural process and development, these people saw a book by the name of a highly honored scientist who was supporting this theory, and it just fit in, and gave it a support they had not expected. and they were thrilled with it. It also had the effect that the leaders of the church immediately attacked