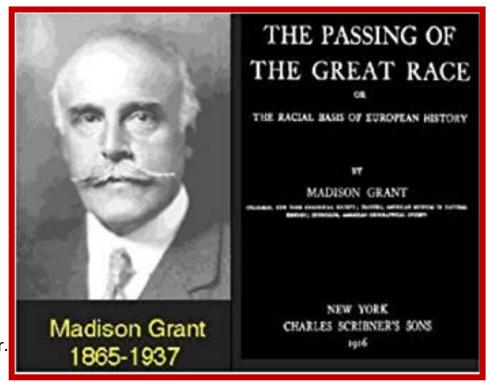
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itler's "Bible" actually scoms the book most people think of when the word Bible is mentioned, for in Hitler's "Bible" we read these words: "we have long discarded the Adamic theory that man is descended from a single pair, created a few thousand years ago in a mythical Garden of Eden somewhere in Asia, to spread later over the earth in successive waves." The real Holy Bible also contrasts with Hitler's "Bible" on the sanctity of human life. The true Bible forbids murder and upholds the sanctity of human life, but this is not so in Hitler's "Bible": Mistaken regard for what are believed to be divine laws and ... continued on p. 4

Insert: my article first appeared in 2008, and I apologize for the fuzziness of the letters.

Hitler's "Bible" was written by Madison Grant, a Yale graduate. It has the title, The Passing of the Great Race. Let me quote Hitler, "The book is my Bible." Read the next page to learn about the fate of Hitler's letter.



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a sentimental belief in the sanctity of human life, tend to prevent both the elimination of defective infants and the sterilization of such adults as are themselves of no value to the community. The laws of nature require the obliteration of the unfit, and human life is valuable only when it is of use to the community or race.²

The author of Hitler's "Bible" was born in New York City, graduated from Yale University, and received a degree from Columbia Law School. Who was this author of Hitler's "Bible"? He was a mere mortal whose spirit left his body in 1937, at the age of 71. His name? Madison Grant. The book? The Passing of the Great Race.

I first learned about this book at Le Bus Restaurant, in the Manayunk Section of Philadelphia, for I was having lunch with Tony Campolo, who had written a good article, "The real danger in Darwin is not evolution, but racism," published by The Philadelphia Inquirer some months prior. The article describes Tony as "professor emeritus of sociology at Eastern University and served as pastoral counselor to former President Clinton."

Tony's hand-written note to me, providing the book's title and author, was new information for me. Subsequently, I got a copy of the book, but how, some might wonder, did I learn it was Hitler's "Bible"?

Wikipedia lists Jonathan P. Spiro's book, Patrician racist: The Evolution of Madison Grant, as a reference for the Grant entry, and I sent a message of inquiry to this professor of history at Castleton State College in Vermont: "Are you of the opinion that the letter Hitler wrote to Grant has been destroyed? Do you know anything else that was in that letter, other than the one sen-

tence?" (The one sentence I was referring to was as follows: "The book is my Bible.")

Dr. Spiro replied promptly,6 writing that the letter had been destroyed. Lest someone might think he would not be in a position to know, one person wrote of this author:

... there is no denying that Spiro is a first-class researcher. A true archival athlete, Spiro consulted no fewer than 112 archive collections, and his bibliography fills thirty-two closely spaced pages. He needed to cast a wide net because Grant is not an easy biographical subject. He wrote no memoirs and his family destroyed his personal papers after his death. Much of his correspondence to colleagues has also been destroyed or gone missing.?

I also sent a note to Dr. Richard Weikart, faculty member of the Department of History, California State University, Stanislaus, and author of From Darwin to Hitler: Evolutionary Ethics, Eugenics, and Racism in Germany: "I assume you are aware that Hitler viewed Madison Grant's book, The Passing of the Great Race, as his Bible. ... Do you know where the letter is located?"

He responded: "I do not know where Hitler's letter to Grant is, but I knew about it from Stefan Kuehl's book, The Nazi Connection: Eugenics, American Racism, and German National Socialism. He cites Leon Whitney's unpublished memoir as the source of this information. Grant apparently showed Whitney the letter."

Though methods were different, Hitler undoubtedly picked up on Grant's word, "elimination," from this false "Bible":

> Those who read these pages will feel that there is little hope for humanity, but the remedy has been found, and can be quickly and mercifully ap-

plied. A rigid system of selection through the elimination of those who are weak or unfit - in other words, social failures - would solve the whole question in one hundred years. as well as enable us to get rid of the undesirables who crowd our jails, hospitals, and insane asylums. The individual himself can be nourished. educated, and protected by the community during his lifetime, but the state through sterilization must see to it that his line stops with him, or else future generations will be cursed with an ever increasing load of victims of misguided sentimentalism. This is a practical, merciful, and inevitable solution of the whole problem, and can be applied to an ever widening circle of social discards, beginning always with the criminal, the diseased, and the insane, and extending gradually to types which may be called weaklings rather than defectives, and perhaps ultimately to worthless race types.8

Hitler also believed in "worthless race types." In 1987, an article, "The Ascent of Racism," documented Hitler's fanatical, evolutionary racism. Blame was placed at the feet of an Englishman, Charles Darwin, in that article. I did not realize at the time, however, that one of two Americans I referred to in the article actually wrote the Preface to Grant's book. In fact, I was unaware of Hitler's "Bible." Nor was I aware of the influence it had had apparently on Hitler himself. Many of Hitler's notions are seen in Grant's book, and it was "the first non-German book ordered to be reprinted by the Nazis when they took power." 22

I wonder if members of Grant's family, who discarded his papers, also wish they could have destroyed all copies of his "Bible" as well. Yes, America contributed much to the defeat of Hitler in World War II, but it did so with impure hands. In some measure, America, like England, as the real

Bible says, was reaping what it had sown¹¹
— through the publications of such men as
Charles Darwin and Madison Grant.

Grant and Hitler have now left this earth. The latter was disgraced; the former, mostly forgotten. Darwin's book, however, worshipped by many present-day, 21* Century elite, still energizes some to scorn the Word of God and to see people as mere accidents in the universe.

Men are not accidents, however, and they are worth redeeming. The Creator, who conquered death (unlike Hitler and Grant), is also the Redeemer of those who, with humble hearts, fall in love with Him and trust Him for salvation. Creator Christ, Jehovah Jesus, is worthy of all this and much, much more! May His Name be praised!

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