

Possessions

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Essentially the human body is a sophisticated “eating tube”, with arms at one end and legs at the other.

For millions of years our arms and legs served only to propel us forward (hanging and swinging) from one tree to the next in search of fruit, nuts, insects, leaves, berries and occasionally a bird’s egg or two. (No possessions!}

Other animals have no possessions at all, except for the nests and webs they construct or holes in the ground they dig for protection against the elements and from each other.

But we got so much “smarter” than the other animals. We walked upright on our hind legs and learned how to carry weapons and tools in our hands. We became “kings” of the jungle...

And inside our homes thee was something different too...of all the animals that built themselves homes or nests or tunnels or webs, only we humans have “stuff”.

Except maybe packrats and maybe crows (known for collecting “trinkets”). But they are regarded by most as being kind of “wacko”.

And in our quest for more stuff, we humans have killed off trees and plants, animals, insects and birds. We have polluted the water with chemicals and filled the air up with soot so that we can’t breathe too good anymore.

We even killed off the American Indians who tried to live in harmony with nature. Having only those possessions they could carry with them.

Are we not becoming a wee bit (what shall I say) “wacko”?