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Subject: Books

Posted by [Mark L](#) on Sat, 12 Jun 2010 14:44:13 GMT

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If anyone is looking for a good book to read here's one.

The Gift of Pain by Phillip Yancey and Dr. Paul Brand

Dr. Brand was the child of missionaries in India who became a medical doctor then went back as a medical missionary. He eventually devoted his life to dealing with Leprosy.

The point to the title is that without pain you really couldn't survive. Leprosy removes pain with its attendant serious consequences. Touch something hot and one pulls away because it hurts. If it didn't hurt you would end up in even more serious harm. Very interesting book. Nothing to do with the faith message. Just very interesting on how God made us.

I think that Adam and Eve were made without pain. I think they were far more intelligent than we are (well some of us anyway) The point being they didn't need pain to survive. I believe the animals in the garden were intelligent than us today.

Sin has had an effect on all creation. (Rom.8/20) We are a pale shadow of what God created in the garden. This is a big subject that has interested me for some time. As I get time I'm going to put some of my thoughts up.

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Posted by [james](#) on Mon, 14 Jun 2010 16:39:31 GMT

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Hardbones wrote on Sat, 12 June 2010 09:44 I believe the animals in the garden were more intelligent than us today.

Ouch! I resemble that remark...

But yeah, society has definitely deteriorated as the results of sin...just look around us at current events in the world. We punched a hole in the bottom of the ocean and let untold millions of barrels of crude oil pollute both land and sea, without a proven plan in place to prevent what happened.

How dumb is that?

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