

Mentality and Environment and the Time Dimension of Morality: “Shallow” and “Popular” Evolution of the Relationship between Moral Mentality and Environment

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Abstract : “Mentality and environment and the time dimension of morality” can actually be interpreted as a kind of evolution or evolutionary theory, which is often overlooked because of the “shallowness” of “evolution” . It is a “visible” and shallow theory of evolution. Mentality is an essential mental state of human thoughts and emotions. This essential mental state distributes the different “fates” of resources and the environment through the temporal dimension of different directions. The phenomenon of moral dimension is deeply permeated in resource utilization. It can also be seen as a reflection of the evolutionary values of human development and environmental protection.

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The conception of “All-heart environment” refers to the relationship between mentality and environment. It is obvious that greedy mentality will lead to the deterioration of environment, while charitable and harmonious mentality will beautify the natural environment. The heart of people and the environment includes the common heart (our heart and their heart), the relationship between heart and material and between heart and ecology, the heart of material, the heart of thought, and the dedication of many people to the sustainable development of ecological environment.

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People are creatures with thoughts and emotions. People’s thoughts and emotions determine their behaviors, which objectively affects the world in which they live. Mentality refers to an essential psychological state of people’s thoughts and emotions, which allocates different “fates” of resources and environments through different time dimensions in different directions.

Resource utilization has deeply penetrated the phenomenon of moral dimension. Moral dimension includes the direction of the moral dimension and circulation of time dimension. According to resources and environment, the direction of moral dimension can be mainly divided into two aspects, namely peaceful mentality and greedy mentality. Different directions of moral dimension will determine different forms of circulation, resulting in different corresponding results. (Behavior that occurs under peaceful mentality tends to be more orderly in nature). Resources, morality and time can be considered to be one. The relationship between mentality, resources and environment can be expressed in words as follows:

Mentality = dimension (direction + time) = resources + environment

2. Explanation of the dynamic relationship of morality in resource utilization

Peaceful mentality is conducive to the development of all beings. For example, afforestation can benefit both present and future generations. The action from this good mentality is conducive to the construction of the sustainable development environment. To put it simply, the circular direction of peaceful mentality is the harmonious environment. The opposite is greedy mentality. For example, deforestation may lead to land desertification, which may have adverse effects on present and future generations. Therefore, the circular direction of the greedy mentality is the harsh environment.

If peace or greed is the reflection of moral mentalities, the following are some dynamic examples of moral relationships regarding resource utilization.

2.1 Dynamic relationship of peaceful mentality

Example 1: According to the calculations of scholars, if all the barren hills in Sichuan are afforested, additional $3.6 \times 10^{10} \text{ m}^3$ of water could be sent to Northwest China every year through atmospheric circulation, which would not only exceed the South-to-North Water Diversion Project or the Western Route Project in water quantity, but also save a lot of money in economy^[1].

Peaceful mentality → Greening time → Total greening

The transformation of mentality specifically refers to peaceful mentality (direction) → greening time (time) → total greening (transformation result of resource and environment).

2.2 Dynamic relationship of greedy mentality

Example 2: In the Amazon Basin, tropical forests are being burned to reclaim more farmland (Figure 1). The area of tropical forests cleared by bulldozers every minute worldwide is equivalent to the size of 200 football fields. At the current rate of destruction, the Amazon Rainforest would disappear completely within 400 years. It is reported that the loss of tropical forests results in the reduction of carbon dioxide absorption by about $4 \times 10^8 \text{ t}$ each year^[2].

Greedy mentality → 400 years → The complete disappearance of the Amazon Rainforest.



Figure 1. Tropical forests are burned to reclaim more farmland^[2]

Example 3: Due to unreasonable land reclamation and deforestation, the area of tropical rain forest in Hainan Province has decreased from $8.66 \times 10^5 \text{hm}^2$ in 1956 to about $2.45 \times 10^5 \text{hm}^2$ at present, and the forest coverage rate has also dropped from 26% to 7.2%^[3].

Greedy mentality → from 1956 to present → the reduction of the tropical rain forest area from $8.66 \times 10^5 \text{hm}^2$ in 1956 to the current $2.45 \times 10^5 \text{hm}^2$.

The transformation of mentality in Example 3 refers to the greedy mentality (direction) → from 1956 to the present (time) → the reduction of the tropical rain forest area from $8.66 \times 10^5 \text{hm}^2$ in 1956 to the current $2.45 \times 10^5 \text{hm}^2$ (transformation result of resource and environment).

Note: The data for the three examples above come from relevant reference materials, which are intended to demonstrate the dynamic relationship between mentality, resources, and environment in a similar quantitative and fuzzy state. The dynamic relationship between peaceful mentality and greedy mentality is a set of mutually causal and opposite relationships.

3. Conclusion

Mentality is immaterial and spiritual, while resource and environment are material. There seems to be no correlation between mentality, resources and environment. In fact, mentality (moral dimension), resources and environment are closely related to each other. Based on the dynamic relationship among the three, some examples are used to illustrate the dynamic relationship among mentality, resources and environment under the similar quantitative and fuzzy state. It is necessary to view and operate that moral dimension from a macro perspective and grasp the direction of moral dimension, which is inseparable from the development of human beings.

The “dimension (direction + time)” obviously plays an indispensable role in the transformation and formation of the relationship between mentality, resources and environment. There are both connections and obvious differences between the relationship between mentality, resources and environment and the breadth and depth of resource utilization as well as the new interpretation of spatial resource law. The new interpretation of the law of resource utilization is more inclined to the natural science, that is, the new understanding of the law of nature. The relationship between mentality, resources and environment explains the relationship between human

mentality activities (direction + time dimension) and nature (resources and environment).

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Actually, "mentality and environment and the time dimension of morality" can also be interpreted as an evolutionary theory, which describes the evolution of human environment in different moral mentalities (peaceful mentality and greedy mentality) through time dimension. The results of evolution are different in different mentalities. This is a simple, "visible", and universal theory of evolution. Because "evolution" is too "shallow", "straightforward" and "popular", it is often overlooked by people.

If the subtitle "'shallow' and 'popular' evolution of the relationship between moral mentality and environment" is replaced with the main title, **this article changes from the original discussion of "mentality and environment and the time dimension of morality" into the "straightforward" and common evolutionary theory of the relationship between moral mentality and environment.** For the "shallow" and "straightforward" truth, it seems that the "simple" and "direct" "creation" can better explain the problem. This article discusses the issues interrelated from different angles.

Discussion

The solution of resource and environmental issues is one of the most important material foundations for the realization of national rejuvenation and development, which involves multiple levels of material, morality and spirituality.

For the revitalization of national rejuvenation and development, this includes not only flowers (spiritual level), bread (material level) and GDP growth. In the face of increasingly severe environmental problems, there is a need for the Chinese nation's traditional spirit and virtues of worshipping nature, overcoming difficulties, and courage to fight, as well as each individual's sacred sense of responsibility for the country, people, all human beings and nature.

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