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"Ideas That Have Helped Mankind"
By, Bertrand Russell

"Ideas come alive when we believe in them", starting with this quotation, which suits the title of the present piece of writing called "Ideas That Have Helped Mankind," which has been written by Bertrand Russell (1872 - 1970). He was one of the greatest philosophers of his time. He was not only philosopher but also a thinker and mathematician.

According to him, the early man was not different from animals. Both were dependent on the mercy and grace of nature. Thousands of years back, our ancestors spent their lives like animals. They lived in a forest and caves. Their lives were not safe and easy. As the population increased, they started to feel good. They led the foundation of domestic life. Man can understand the feelings and emotions of others. Here the writer has described two types of ideas - first is knowledge and technique and second is moral and politics. Domestic animals made the life of human being comfortable and secure. At last, we can say skill is the ultimate source of development and progress.

which unlock the chains of ignorance and provide the correct and perfect way to develop our thinking and ability in more accurate and straight manner. The ignorance of superstition and false rituals should be broken in order to understand the scientific facts and logics that can make our life easier and more comfortable.