

## BEING BETTER; BEING BEST

Being better? An ideal human being?  
Being best? The ideal human being?  
Who or what is this being? How do you define "ideal,  
Can we trust the builder? So many questions

So many choices. How?". That's the question, isn't it?  
The question that stalks us like the plague, won't let us sleep at night  
"The Ideal Human Being", a prototype that will supply the DNA  
For a population of peace-loving, harmonious folk living in harmony

Do I hear you splutter; or gasp in disbelief? Surely, surely  
You must be inclusive! Inclusive? Inclusive of those who differ  
In thought, in opinion. Stunned silence! Are you suggesting the definition  
be changed? To what? "Peace-loving, harmonious, harmony?"

Which of these words do you disagree with? Why? Pray, explain  
First, I reject that human beings are capable of living in harmony  
Or harmoniously. They. We are a contrary species. If they/we can find the contrary  
or take the contrary they/we will. Secondly, we're too easily bored and when bored

We think less about what we're doing. Look, a pretty button. I wonder what would happen  
If I pushed it? There's a sign. What does it say? "Do NOT push this button!!!!!" Don't!!!!  
What do I do? Curiosity got the better of me; I pushed the button. Nothing seemed to happen.  
I pushed another. On the other side of the world, nuclear weapons, long-dormant, stirred

Ready to wreak havoc and destruction. Would an "I didn't mean to" help explain why I did it?  
I suppose not. A very, very, very, very sincere apology? A hypothetical situation; illustrates  
a point. Human beings are contrary. There is a definite case that we (human beings)  
Need guidance, rules, and laws. There will be law-breakers, they'll think it a challenge.

Point three! We need to be challenged. By things in the natural world, by ideas regarding  
What can and can't be done; through creative processes? We are never content; we demand  
More of ourselves; to be stronger, more intelligent; more beautiful; more extravagant, more  
Outrageous; more noticeable. More More! Accepted. This is a problem in the creation

Of the ideal being how? There are beings already who seek such challenges  
They have a sense of balance. Can we not prescribe that sense of balance to our creation?  
We might be able to, food for thought. Tragedy is part of the life of a human being.  
Death, accident, feeling anger, disappointment, fear. Life can be very tragic

Yes, it can. The emotions born of tragedy are capable of being processed in a positive  
Constructive way. To succumb to anger and despair is a choice. A human being

Is a complex interaction of impulses, emotions, ambitions and desires. In an ideal Human Being, all must be catered for, balanced with strategies for processing

The patience to be kind to themselves; a firm sense of optimism and hope  
The next challenge would be who could or would be trusted to develop IHB/TIHB  
We're sensitive creatures, who find it difficult to trust. Trust is a must  
Once we work that out, we'll be a step closer to the creation of a model for a population

That will help save our little blue dot, in the cosmic vastness; save our planet

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