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Freud's Anthropological Theory Part III



Image: Freud's Office, Berggasse 19, Vienna. From 1938, days before the Freud family left for London.

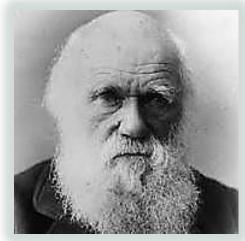
Darwin and the Primal Horde

Charles Darwin (1809-1882)

On the Primal Horde:

... the most probable view is that primeval man aboriginally lived in small communities, each with as many wives as he could support and obtain, whom he would have jealously guarded against all other men."

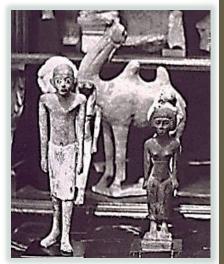
The Ascent of Man, 1871





Totem and Taboo (1913) Chapter IV *"The Return of Totemism in Childhood"*

- Primitives and children: similar relation to animals
- essential prohibitions: killing totem; 'incest'
- Correspondence with *Oedipus Complex*
- Ceremonial sacrifice central to totemism
- Totemic origins in the *Primal Horde*



Evolutionary prototype of resolution of Oedipus complex



Conclusion and Discussion

- projection
- The omnipotence of thoughts
- Neurosis
- Castration anxiety
- Acting out
- Phases of a psychoneurosis
- Libidinal phases of development
- Psychosexual stages of development
- Repression
- structural theory
- aggression

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Conclusion and Discussion

- Influence and Controversy
- Freud's "major assault" on Ethnology
- Freud's alternative hypotheses
- "In the Beginning was the Deed"





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Appendix:

Current views on the possible validity of some aspects of Lamarckian theory



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