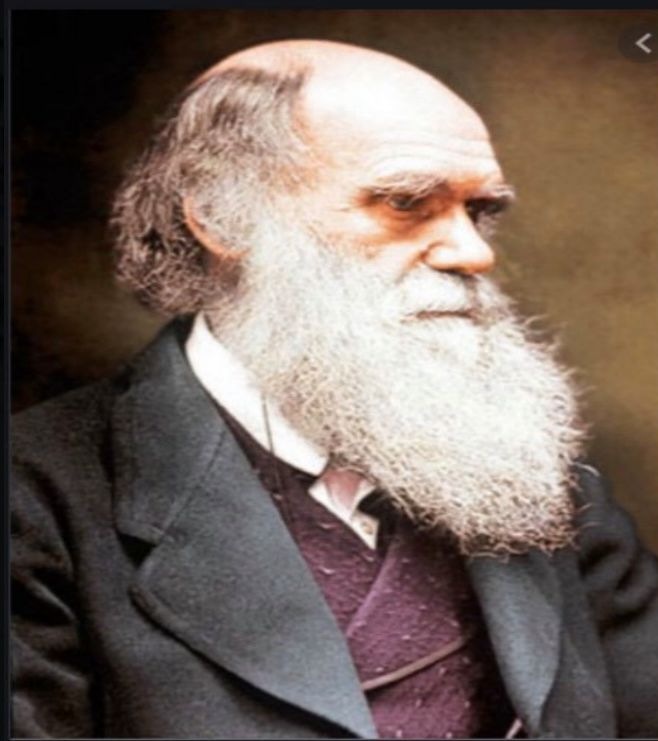


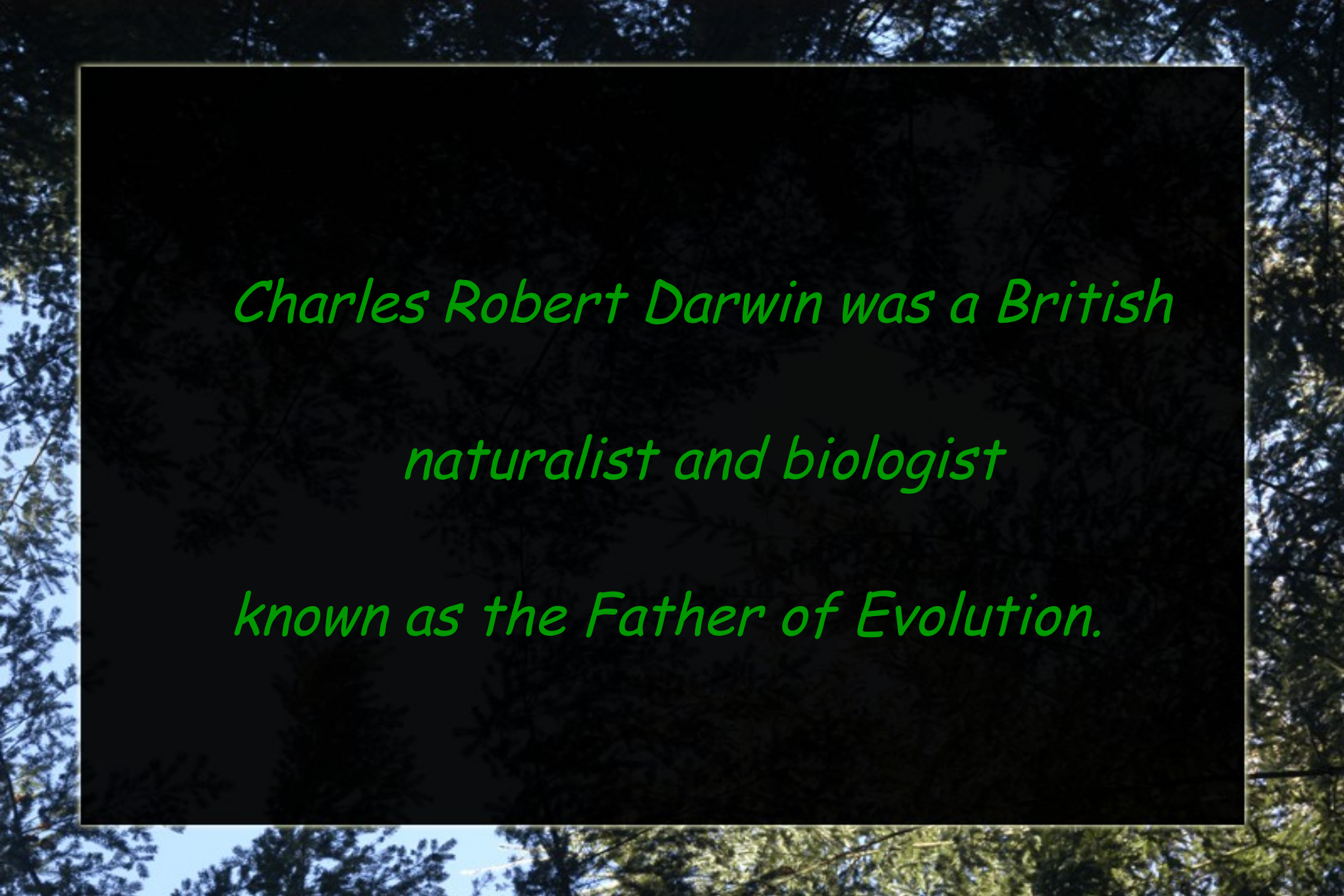


Who was Charles Darwin?

Charles Darwin

“The Father of Evolution”





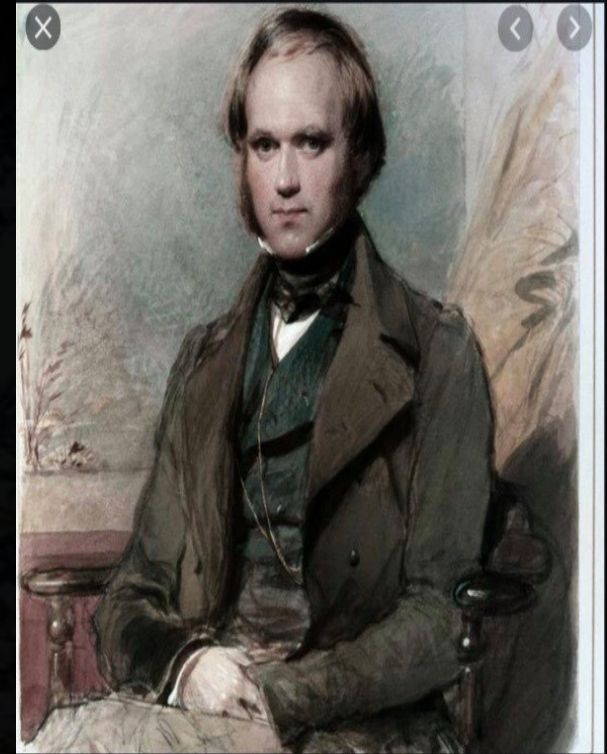
*Charles Robert Darwin was a British
naturalist and biologist
known as the Father of Evolution.*

*He was born on the 12th of February, 1809 in
Shrewsbury, Shropshire, England to Susanna Wedgwood
and Robert Darwin, a physician. He was the second
youngest of six children. He came from a family
of scientists.*



Darwin's mother died when he was eight years old. He was cared for by his three elder sisters and maidservants. He grew up amidst wealth, comfort and country sports. He loved to explore nature.

At age 16, Darwin, together with his brother, Erasmus, enrolled at University of Edinburgh to study medicine as Darwin's father wanted him to be a medical doctor like him.

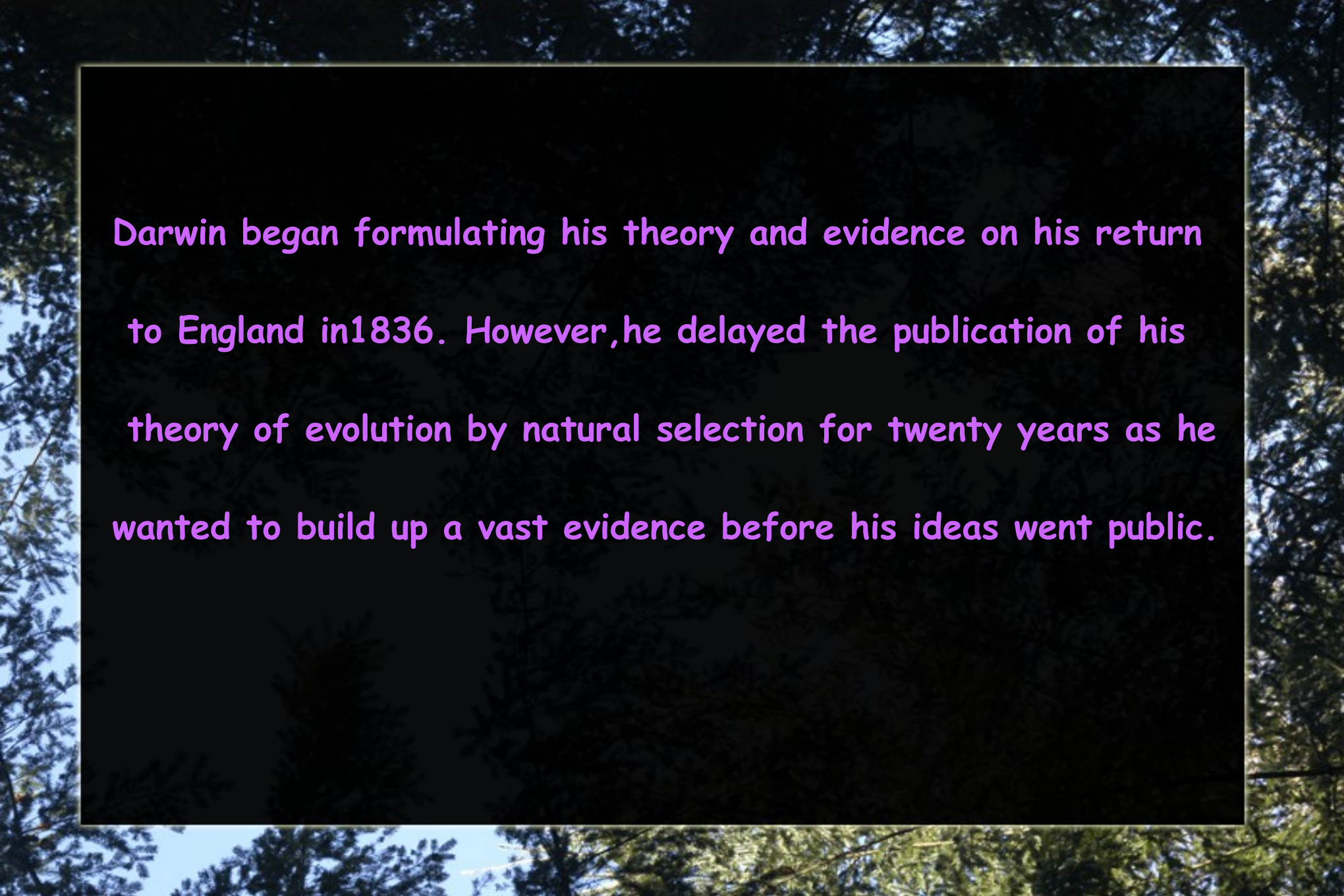


However, Darwin could not bear the sight of blood or suffering as it made him queasy. Alternatively, Darwin's father proposed him to become a priest. Thus, Darwin enrolled in Christ's College at Cambridge University as a Divinity student.

After obtaining his Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1831, Darwin was recommend by his university tutor to become a gentleman naturalist aboard the HMS Beagle.

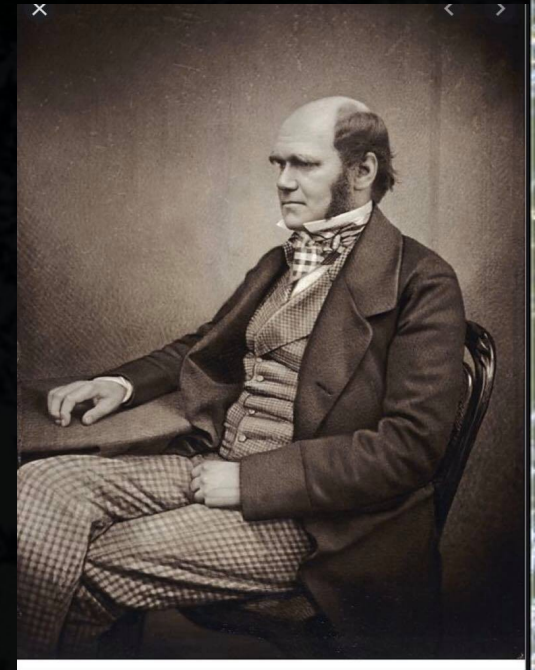


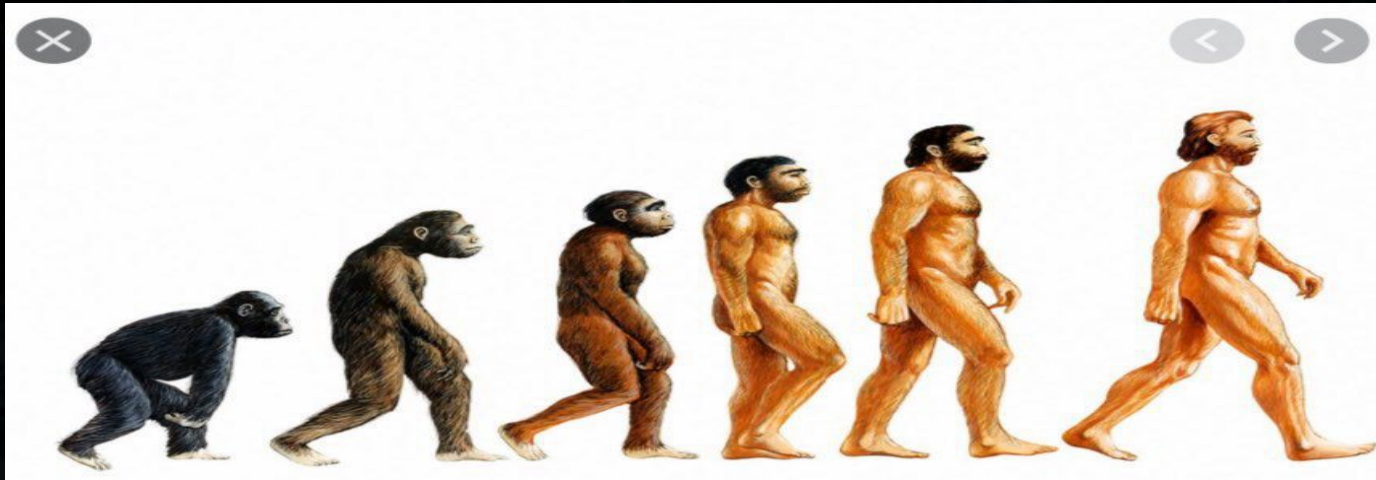
Darwin spent most of those five years investigating the geology and zoology of the lands he visited especially Brazil, Chile, Australia, the Falkland Islands and The Galapagos Islands. He studied exotic animal specimens. He magnificently collected and catalogued fossils, plants and animals such as finches, tortoises, mockingbirds, iguanas, pumas and armadillos. He was happy to eat many of the exotic animals he collected.



Darwin began formulating his theory and evidence on his return to England in 1836. However, he delayed the publication of his theory of evolution by natural selection for twenty years as he wanted to build up a vast evidence before his ideas went public.

Finally in 1859, Darwin wrote a ground-breaking book "On the Origin of Species by Means Of Natural Selection" and changed the scientific thought forever. It was in this book that he first formulated the theory of evolution by the natural selection which is a process by which organism change overtime as a result of changes in heritable ,physical or behavioural traits.





Darwin's theory of evolution and process of natural selection later became known simply as "Darwinism".

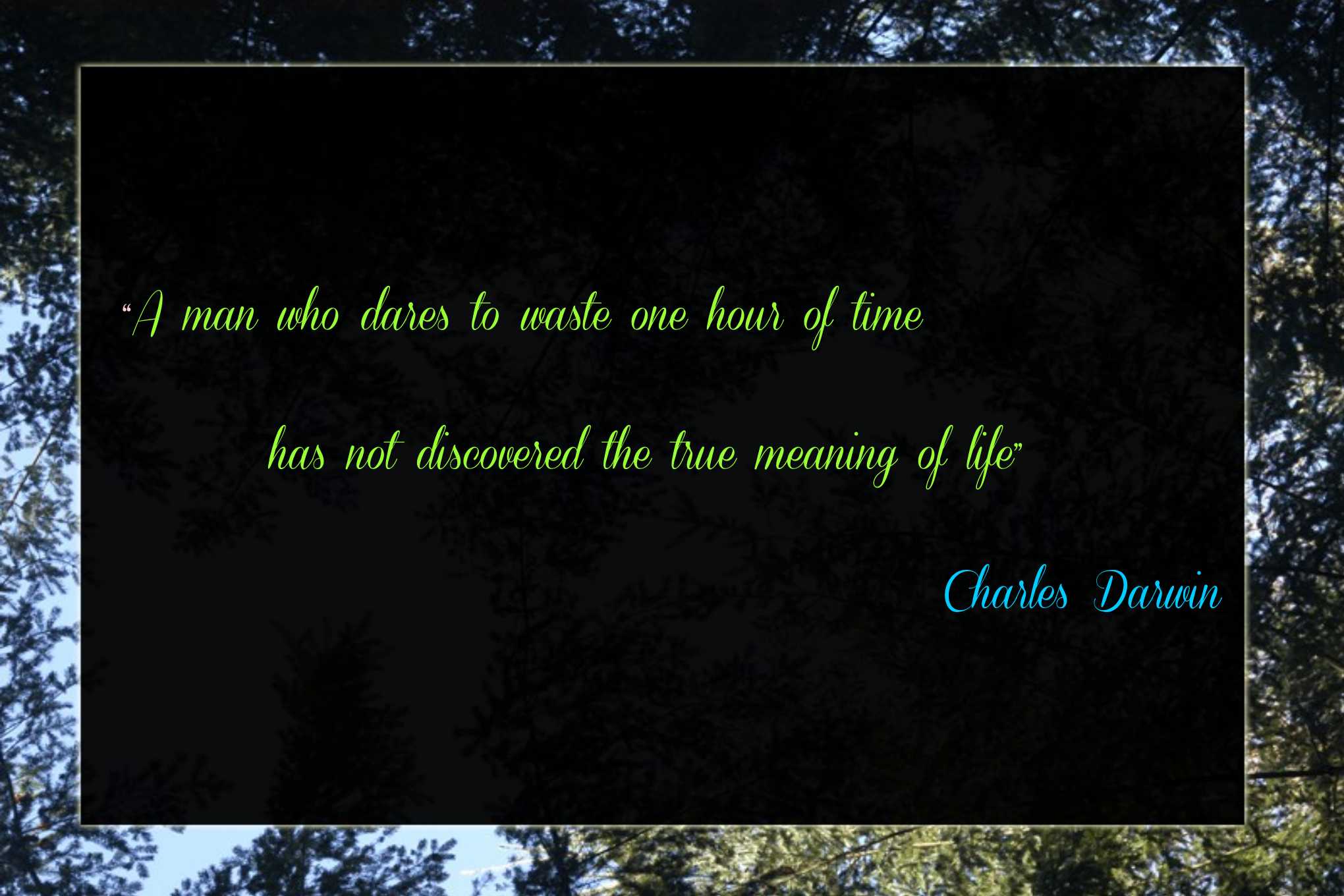


Charles Darwin married his first cousin,
Emma Wedgwood.

They had 10 children but
three died due to illnesses.



On the 19th of April, 1882, Charles Darwin died at his family home, Down House in London due to heart disease. He was buried in Westminster Abbey. It was attended by thousands of people including family, friends, philosophers, scientists and dignitaries.



*“A man who dares to waste one hour of time
has not discovered the true meaning of life”*

Charles Darwin

Thank you for reading !!!

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