

or empathy could be a important factor. I am reminded of the story of the anthropologist who ran excitedly from his laboratory shouting that he had discovered the Missing link— the subhuman anthropoid which bridged the gap between the great apes and fully human man. What kind of animal was this? he was asked. 'It's us!' was his answer.

Fromm would not agree. Let him have the last word. 'My thesis . . . is that destructiveness and cruelty are not instinctual drives, but passions rooted in the total existence of man. They are one of the ways to make sense of life; they are not and could not be present in the animal because they are by their very nature rooted in the 'human condition'.

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SHELL

later you show me one
of them it is whorled
it is hard it englobed
some pulpy creature
against the bang of the ocean

but now
now it is quite empty

'my sound has no more words'

Ken Edwards