Knowledge is power!

Man is an animal that moves on two limbs, devoid of feathers. This phrase was said by Pluton to his students, when they asked him to define a person.

The definition is very accurate, if you take Darwin's theory. It is true: a person is always changing, inventing something new. But at the same time, a person becomes stupid and loses his skills. So, what takes over from this: evolution or degradation?

Many people will say: of course, evolution, so many things have been invented and made by man. But I don't agree. They do not invent much, they only improve what has already been invented. The same nano-technologies, which are considered a breakthrough into the future. But people have known about them for a long time.

What’s driving people? Get new knowledge and apply it in practice, constantly improving or calmly go with the flow, evolving or degrading. Knowledge is the greatest value, but does this apply to the modern world?

Why is knowledge and its acquisition fade into the background, or even more distant plan? To answer this question, I propose to look into the past. It is unlikely that anyone would now repeat the path of Lomonosov. Who in December 1730, at the age of 19, ran away from home and went to Moscow to study. He walked for 3 weeks and covered 1168 kilometers. There are many such selfless and dedicated people in history.

For example, Thomas Edison. As a child, he was frail and sickly, teachers considered him "not of a mind", and therefore sent him to home schooling. Nobody needed his first inventions. He tried thousands of variations before creating a functioning light bulb. History knows a huge number of such examples. And returning to the modern world and evaluating today's desire of the young generation for knowledge, it is difficult to say that we will meet similar examples.

Why is this happening? Maybe knowledge has not become popular due to the fact, that social status is now important, but not intellect. Or because everything can be bought now: a certificate, a red diploma, and so on. Both of these reasons are relevant now. And in the very near future, the main thing will not be knowledge, but material goods, and it is unlikely that this will ever be eradicated. After all, for many it is so convenient, you don’t need to study, cram formulas, you don’t have to appear in class at all.

From all that has been said, it becomes clear that humanity is rapidly degrading. And he doesn't try to resist it. For tens, or even a hundred people, there are 1-2 smart ones. As for schoolchildren, their priority is phones or computers. How can we talk about education? Yes, there are fewer and fewer smart people, and it’s not the phone or money that’s to blame, but the person himself with weak or absent willpower, an absent desire for self-development, a lack of desire to leave the field of himself something valuable and useful for humanity.