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On Human Origins and the Future of Humanity



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TALK TITLE: Our Place in the Future: Lessons from a 3-million-year-old ancestor

For the past 50 years, Donald C. Johanson has conducted field and laboratory research in paleoanthropology. Most notably, he discovered the 3.18 million-year-old hominid skeleton popularly known as "Lucy." He is an Honorary Board Member of the Explorers Club, a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, a member of many other professional organizations, and recipient of several international prizes and awards. He has written, among other books, the widely read *"Lucy: The Beginnings of Humankind"* (with Maitland Edey), 1981, and numerous scientific and popular articles. In 1994, he co-wrote *"Ancestors: In Search of Human Origins"* and narrated a companion NOVA television series seen by more than 100 million people worldwide. He also published *"From Lucy to Language"* (with Blake Edgar, principal photography by David Brill), 1996. Johanson is a frequent lecturer at universities and other forums in the United States and abroad.

Johanson strongly believes that knowing our origins is crucial to understanding our place in Nature, a key step towards becoming better guardians for the future of all life on Earth.

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