

The Evolution of the Soul

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advocate of broad and rational psychiatry and was among the psychiatrists who early placed emphasis on the importance of the preventive mental hygiene.

The fact that the Doctor appears program to lecture on the "Evolution of the Soul" is sufficient to indicate that he does not adhere to those schools of psychiatry which are purely mechanistic or materialistic. The Doctor's large professional experience coupled with his broad and mechanistic views of psychology and psychiatry, should guarantee that his discussion of the soul will recognize its spiritual aspects as well as its more scientific correlations.