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"Acting in his way, would be conservative in the strictest sense of the word, since God would be endeavoring to re-establish a state of things that was disturbed by the emergence of life. The emergence of life would thus be the cause of the continuance of life, and also at the same time of the striving toward death, and life itself would be a conflict and compromise between these two trends."

(The Ego. The Id 1923. Vol. 19. p. 40-41)

"It appears that, as the result of the combination of unicellular organism into multicellular forms of life, the death instinct of the single cell can successfully be neutralized and the destructive impulses be directed on to the external world through the instrumentality of a special organ. This special organ would seem to be the muscular apparatus; and the death instinct would thus seem to express itself - though probably only in part - as an instinct of destruction directed against the external world and other organisms. (The Ego. The Id

1923, Vol. 19, p. 41)

"... we might conjecture that the essence of a regression of libido (f. i. from the genital to the sadistic-anal phase) lies in a defusing of instincts [death and Eros], just as, conversely, the advance from the earlier phase to the definite genital one would be conditioned by an accession of erotic components." (Ego. Id, 1923, p. 42)

anal-sad
death instinct

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"The id. has no means of showing the ego either
love or hate. It cannot say what it wants; it has
admitted no unified will. It is and he death instinct
struggle with it..."

Re Ego - The Id p. 59.

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