Scientists have announced they have successfully created sheep that have 15% human cells and 85% animal cells. The scientists believe that it would be possible to create genetically compatible organs, which could then be implanted in humans. Professor Esmail Zanjani of the University of Nevada has already created a sheep liver which has a large proportion of human cells. Animal rights groups fear scientists could eventually end up creating a monstrosity that is part human - part animal, but scientists state this cannot happen using the method they employ to create the hybrids.

Quote: *"The process would involve extracting stem cells from the donor's bone marrow and injecting them into the peritoneum of a sheep's foetus. When the lamb is born, two months later, it would have a liver, heart, lungs and brain that are partly human and available for transplant.*

The British government recently permitted UK scientists to create human-cow hybrids, from an animal nucleus and a human egg, although this results in a cow with around only one percent of human genes. I find this particular development worrying, even if the benefits to mankind are great. I don't believe God intended us to mess with the building blocks of life, at least not in this manner. The Bible states that during the tribulation period mankind will be afflicted by a bizarre creature, that seems to be part locust, part scorpion, part human. I don't know whether this is a literal creature or whether John is using symbolic language to describe something he doesn't understand. But with the recent advancements of genetics, it is entirely possible for this Scripture to be literally fulfilled.

Revelation 9:7-10

And the shapes of the locusts [were] like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads [were] as it were crowns like gold, and their faces [were] as the faces of men. And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as [the teeth] of lions. And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings [was] as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle. And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power [was] to hurt men five months.

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