

# An Introduction To Philosophy

In the notes that follow, we will focus on philosophical thought as political philosophy. Aristotle, the Greek philosopher who published and commented on the Constitutions of the ancient Greek cities, begins his work *Politics* with the thesis that man is a political animal<sup>1</sup>.

Cicero, the great politician and scholarly writer, had the well-known phrase, “Socrates brought philosophy down from heaven to earth.”<sup>2</sup>, which refers to the fundamental question of philosophy’s interest in *human things*.

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