

THEORIES OF RIGHT

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ETHICS

Ancient Greeks, ethics -> character

Modern times, ethics -> action



PILLARS OF ETHICS





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WHAT IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO?

Theories of right End-based theories

 For example, utilitarianism, consequentialism

Duty-based theories

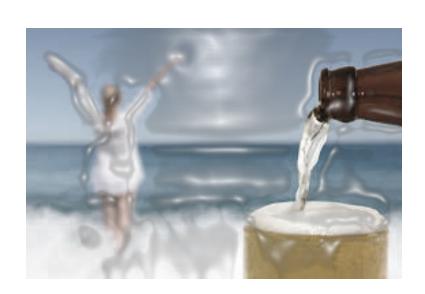
For example, categorical imperative



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ETHICAL THEORIES: HEDONISM

Hedonism posits that the principal ethic is maximizing pleasure and minimizing pain.





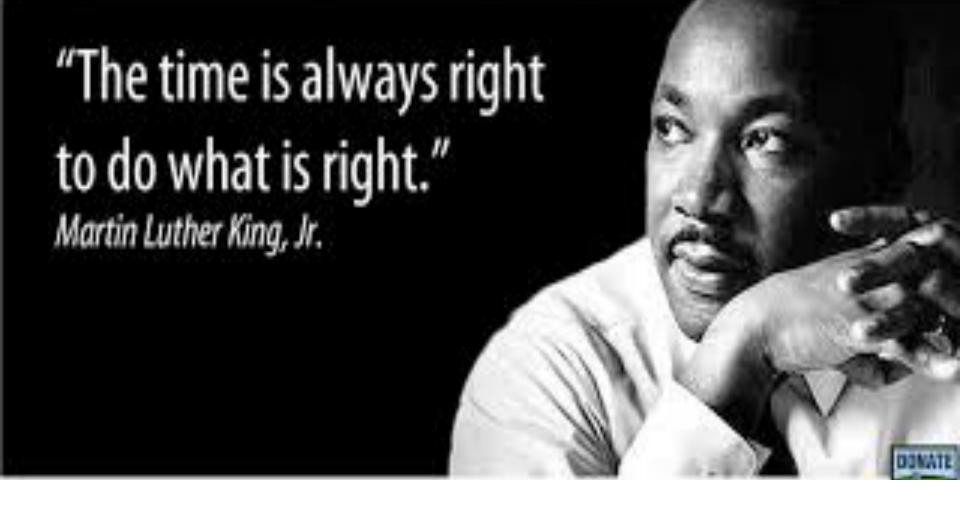
ETHICAL THEORIES: UTILITARIANISM

The right thing to do is what produces the greatest good for the greatest number.

ETHICAL THEORIES: CONSEQUENTIALISM

Consequentialism (or teleological ethics) is an approach to ethics that argues that the morality of an action is contingent on the action's outcome or consequence.





DEONTOLOGY (OR DEONTOLOGICAL ETHICS) IS AN APPROACH TO ETHICS THAT FOCUSES ON THE RIGHTNESS OR WRONGNESS OF ACTIONS THEMSELVES.

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