# Contemporary Moral Problems

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* **Singer’s ‘Greater Moral Evil Principle’**
  + **Greater Moral Evil Principle**
    - If we can prevent something very bad from happening without sacrificing all of comparable moral significance, then we ought to do it.
  + **2 Points**
    - ‘Forward Looking’ -> Based on consequences
    - Involves moral equality (See Equal Consideration of Interests)
* **Moral Equality – 2 Views**
  + **Jeffersonian**
    - We have the right to pursue our lives without interference from others
  + **Equal Consideration of Interests (Singer)**
    - Like amounts of suffering are of equal significance no matter who is experiencing them
* **Entitlements**
  + **Rights**
    - Negative Rights – Rights of noninterference.
      * Natural – Acquired by birth (right to life, etc)
    - Positive Rights
      * Right to recipience
      * Not natural -> Defend upon a contract, promise, or agreement
  + **Deserve**
    - We deserve to keep what we’ve earned
* ‘The Ideal Moral Code’
  + Includes both entitlements and the GME principle