

## **Annette Baier: The Need for More than Justice**

### **Review Questions:**

- 1. Distinguish between the justice and care perspective. According to Gilligan, how do these perspectives develop?**

Annette Baier explains that the base of ethics is justice while care is to enhance on what we believe that is justice based on our tradition.

- 2. Explain Kohlberg's theory of moral development. What criticisms to Gilligan and Baier make of this theory?**

According to Kohlberg, there are stages in moral reasoning which is also the basis of ethical behaviour. With this theory, Gilligan and Baier made some criticisms; there are no solid proofs that there was uniformity between gender and moral perspective and the data gathered were open for other interpretations; the care of a woman is a reflection of what a woman is truly is in their tradition and culture; and lastly, the data gathered were not valid to conclude as a whole for the experiment only focused in a particular race.

- 3. Baier says there are three important differences between Kantian liberals and their critics. What are these differences?**

There are three important differences between Kantian liberals and their critics. The differences are the following; the weight was put on relationships between equal and freedom of choice; and the authority of intellect always overshadow emotions.

- 4. Why does Baier attack the Kantian view that the reason should control unruly passions?**

The reason that Baier attack the Kantian view is because she believe in using emotions such as care over other things, which is very much contrast to the Kantian view.

### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. What does Baier means she speaks of the need "to trans value the value of our patriarchal past"? Do new values replace the old ones? If so, do we abandon justice, freedom, and rights?**

I do believe that replacing the old with a new one is really accepted, now that we are surrounded with new approach. The views on moral issues are been developing and yields to a more new approach which is sometimes opposing to the old one. Definitely, we do not abandon justice, freedom and rights.

- 2. What is wrong with Kantian view that extends equal rights to all rational beings, including women and minorities? What would Baier say? What do you think?**

There is nothing wrong with the view of Kant and of Baier.

3. **Baier seems to reject the Kantian emphasis on freedom of choice. Granted, we do not choose our parents, but still don't we have freedom of choice about many things, and isn't this very important?**

I do aware why this opinion is stressed out but I opposed to treat this kind of issue to test as freedom. Since it would be unfair for people and it does not show certain equality and fairness. Maybe there will be people who will not be lucky to be chosen. Another point is that not all people are capacitated to have a baby and in that sense they also do not have freedom.