PHI 234/POL312 - PHILOSOPHY OF LAW/JURISPRUDENCE - SPRING 2015

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PASS/FAIL ASSIGNMENT - WED MARCH 4TH

Read Plato's Crito and answer these questions:

- (a) Who is Socrates? Who is Crito?
- (b) Why is Socrates in prison and about to die?
- (c) Why does Crito think that Socrates should escape from prison? [please provide specific quotations from the text]
- (d) What does Socrates think that's not a good idea? [please provide specific quotations from the text]
- (e) Can you describe one situation in which Socrate's absolute fidelity to the law would be unwise? Explain why.