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Thomas Hobbes's Natural Law Theory and its 19 Laws Explained Here

Hobbes, however, was a materialist. Another important open question is that of what, exactly, it is about human beings that makes it the case supposing Hobbes is right that our communal life is prone to disaster when we are left to interact according only to our own individual judgments.

Philosophy of law

In a different view on the issue of natural equality, Hobbes states that inequality is the reason behind the English civil war. On the other hand, later empiricist philosophers, in particular Locke and Hume, develop several Hobbesian themes.

Law and Justice: A Brief Analysis of Hobbesian Thought

What Hobbes calls common names, those words which apply to multiple things, are applied because of similarities between those things, not because of any relation to a universal thing or idea. Just as his contemporary William Harvey, of whom he thought very highly, had made such progress in explaining biological matters, so too Hobbes might have thought might we expect further scientists to succeed in explaining mental matters.

Great Philosophers: Hobbes' Mechanism

People living in an anarchic state are individuals where their state of nature is asocial and apolitical.

Hobbes, Thomas: Methodology

For Hobbes, analogously, to get to scientia of the effect you need to understand, not just what the causes are, but how they work.

An Introduction to the Thought of Thomas Hobbes

Following this, Hobbes develops his account of the state of nature from the claim that human beings are naturally equal. .

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