

THEORY AND IR: WHAT DOES 'THEORY' MEAN IN IR ?

(1) A FOUNDATIONALIST TRADITION:(DEFINITION)

(2) FOUNDATIONALISM: THE GREEK LEGACY

PLATO: 'DUALITY OF FORMS'(INNER/OUTER' SPHERES OF EXISTENCE)
DICHOTOMY
SUBJECT/OBJECT
THEORY/REALITY
ONE CORRECT METHOD

(3) THE GREEK/HEBRAIC TRANSFORMATION = THE CHRISTIAN LEGACY

AUGUSTINE
ADAPTED DICHOTOMY: 'CITY OF MAN/CITY OF GOD'
SINGLE GOD FIGURE IN 'OUTER SPHERE'
ORIGINAL SIN/FALLEN MAN
HOLY TEXTS = CORRECT METHOD OF 'KNOWING'

(4) THE MODERN ERA (17TH CENTURY....)

'THE 'DEATH OF GOD'

SCIENTIFIC METHOD

THE MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION OF THE MODERN ERA

ENTER THE GREAT 'ISMS'

'OBJECTIVISM' (DEFINITION)

RATIONALISM: (THE MODERN 'MIND' AS FOUNDATION)

EMPIRICISM: (THE OBJECTIVE 'FACT' AS FOUNDATION)

POSITIVISM: ('SCIENTIFIC' KNOWLEDGE AS FOUNDATION)

LIBERALISM (INDIVIDUAL AS FOUNDATION)

SOCIALISM (CLASS AS FOUNDATION)

FASCISM (NATION AS FOUNDATION)

(5) THE REALIST CONNECTIONS IN I.R.:(TO BE CONTINUED...)

(6) ALTERNATIVE WAYS OF ASKING THE 'THEORY QUESTION' IN IR (TO BE CONTINUED....)

(7) THE RETURN OF FOUNDATIONALISM (TO BE CONTINUED...)