

Chapter Title : “John Stuart Mill’s Utilitarianism”

Quote:

“No reason can be given why the general happiness is desirable, except that each person, so far as he believes it to be attainable, desires his own happiness.”

Learning Expectation:

I expect to understand the real meaning of utilitarianism and its values of having the moral good for the majority.

Review:

Friedrich Nietzsche’s view of morality, utilitarianism, relies on the common good for the MAJORITY whereby, the unfortunate minorities will suffer the consequences for others. It is for example, Hitler’s Era, almost three million Jews were exterminated because Hitler wanted to have a larger territory for the Germans. For them (Hitler and the Germans), what they are doing is good. And that they are doing it for the Germans so, they did not care for the Jews.

In our class lecture, our professor, Sir Pajo, showed that even a small part of the population be called the minorities were to be sacrificed or to be slaves of the majority is not at all ethical. In the division of the people, the majority and the minority, discrimination and mass sufferings will be visible and it will not be a good example for the nation and its people. And it will just lead to misunderstanding, poverty, may even cause wars for the colliding nations and chaos to the entire world. And also, our professor showed to us a clip of the rising power of the Muslims Community in their rapid growth in population and that they will cover three forts of the world in less than 20 years. It means that, all those that are pressuring the Muslims will get their payback once the Muslims gain the power of the majority.

As I believe, a UTILITARIAN is just like a HEDONIST, it’s just that utilitarian share the common pleasure with the majority and that the majority will dominate the minorities without even thinking if they would trample upon them or even kill them. Hedonism alone is not that acceptable as a morality for it only shows the selfishness and greed of the individual. Morality should be for everyone and that it can also ensure that everyone will benefit from it.

Lessons Learned:

I learned and realized that we should always treat each other equally so that, we would not have problems in the future. And we can live well in peace. A utilitarian and a hedonism morality is not favorable for the common good of the entire community.

Integrative Questions:

What is Utilitarianism?

What is the difference of a Utilitarianism and Hedonism Morality?