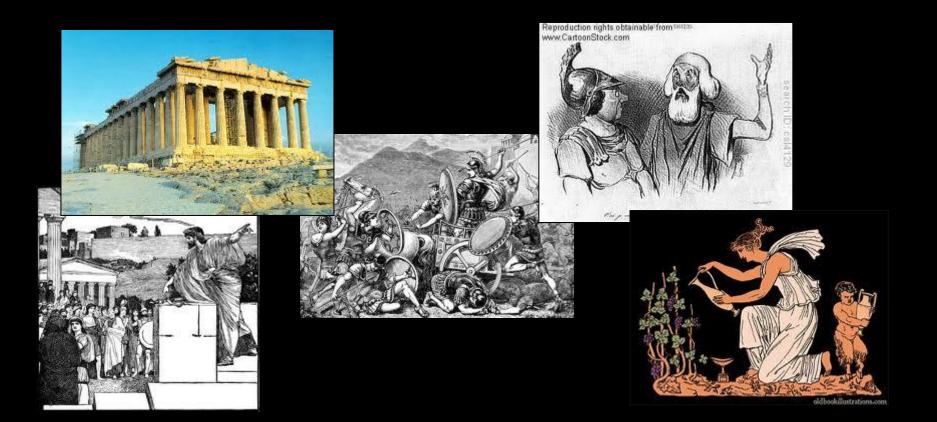
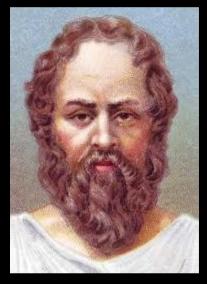
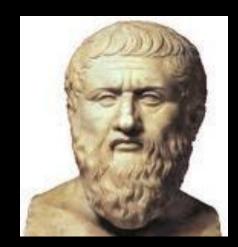
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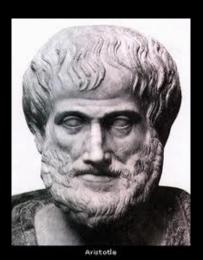
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SOCRATES

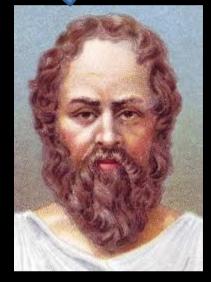


PLATO



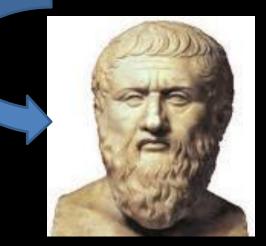
ARISTOTLE

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Your destiny is fixed at birth

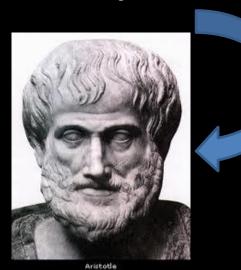


SOCRATES

Aristotle believed that you become the person you are through learning and experience. You have free will



PLATO



ARISTOTLE

In a famous experiment, Socrates proved that all knowledge is inborn by getting an uneducated slave boy to solve a geometric problem.



He did this by asking the boy a series of leading questions until he was able to solve the problem. Socrates believed that this proved that the slave boy was born with the knowledge of geometry.



Socrates was a philosopher/teacher who walked the streets of Athens discussing philosophy with the young people of the city.

The leaders of Athens eventually put him to death because he was corrupting the morals of the young people.

He was forced to drink hemlock and continued to talk on his death bed until his life was over



Plato believed that you are born with all of the knowledge of the world already inside your brain. All you have to do is get the knowledge out of your brain





PLATO'S REPUBLIC

- This is how Plato thought society should be organized
- Everyone is born to do a certain job
- You cannot change what you were born to do
- If you do the job you were born to do you will be happy
- Everyone has a place in society.
- You cannot move up or down in society
- Society is more important than any one individual
- You were born to serve society



The king or queen is born with gold in their veins. They are the smartest people in society. The king was born to be king



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Soldiers and police were born with silver in their veins.



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Soldiers and police were born with silver in their veins.



Everyone else is born with copper in their veins

At birth
everyone is
assigned a
place in
Plato's
Republic



By serving the state you are serving the people in the state



SUMMARY OR PLATOS' REPUBLIC

- One job for life (guaranteed)
- Remain in the class society assigns to you
- Eternal bonding is forbidden
- Children taken from mothers and raised by society
- Equality for men and women
- Mating lotterys to conceive new babies
- All art must support the state
 Music painting literature TV etc
- The state is more important than the individual

The Middle
Ages
Catholic
Church
adopted
Plato's
model

GOD **Angels Pope** Cardinals, etc THE KING The Nobility Lawyers, Doctors, etc. Carpenters, Blacksmiths, etc



The world view of the church.

Women
Mammals
Fish
Insects



The Divine Right of Kings GOD Angels Pope Cardinals, etc THE KING The King was
King because
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DICTATOR CHIEF KING

SOCIALISTS

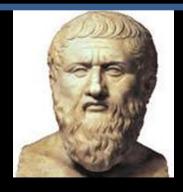
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PLATO'S REPUBLIC



DIVINE RIGHT KINGS MIDDLE AGES



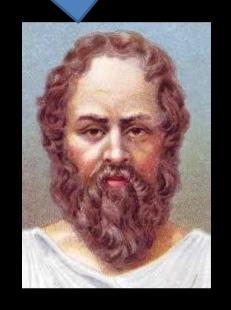


SOCIALISM TOTALITARIAN GOVERNMENTS

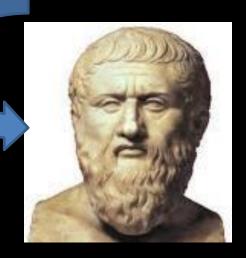


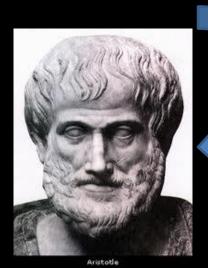


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ARISTOTLE

Generally recognized as the best-educated individual of his or any time, and his mastery of all the world's knowledge places him on "the shortest of lists of the giants of Western thought

Aristotle studied and wrote about all areas of human knowledge and experience.

He was and eclectic thinker who had an impact on Western thought from epistemology to politics

Aristotelian Achievements

First to categorize branches of knowledge such as biology, physics, art, music, etc.

Developed the science of logic through argument.

Separated the study of weather from astronomy.

First to categorize animals in genomes and species.

First to study language and developed the syllogism.

Founded the study of psychology.

Aristotle had been tutor to Alexander the Great.



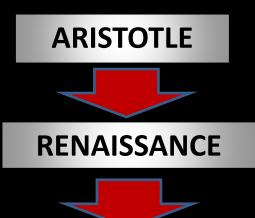
After the death of Alexander the Athenians turned on Aristotle because of his relationship to Macedonia.

He was charged with the same crimes that Socrates had been charged with.

Rather than wait to be tried Aristotle withdrew to the Macedonian community of Chalcis, dying there of natural causes in 322 BC.

ARISTOTLE IDOLOGY VS PLATO'S REPUBLIC

- Base your opinions on objective criteria developed through study and research
- Avoid opinions based on subjective feelings
- Be tolerant of the opinions of others
- Treat everyone as individuals rather than members of a group
- Know that the individual is more important than the group or society
- Avoid societal pressures on individual thought
- Teach the young morality based on study and contemplation
- Avoid extremes and seek out "the mean."









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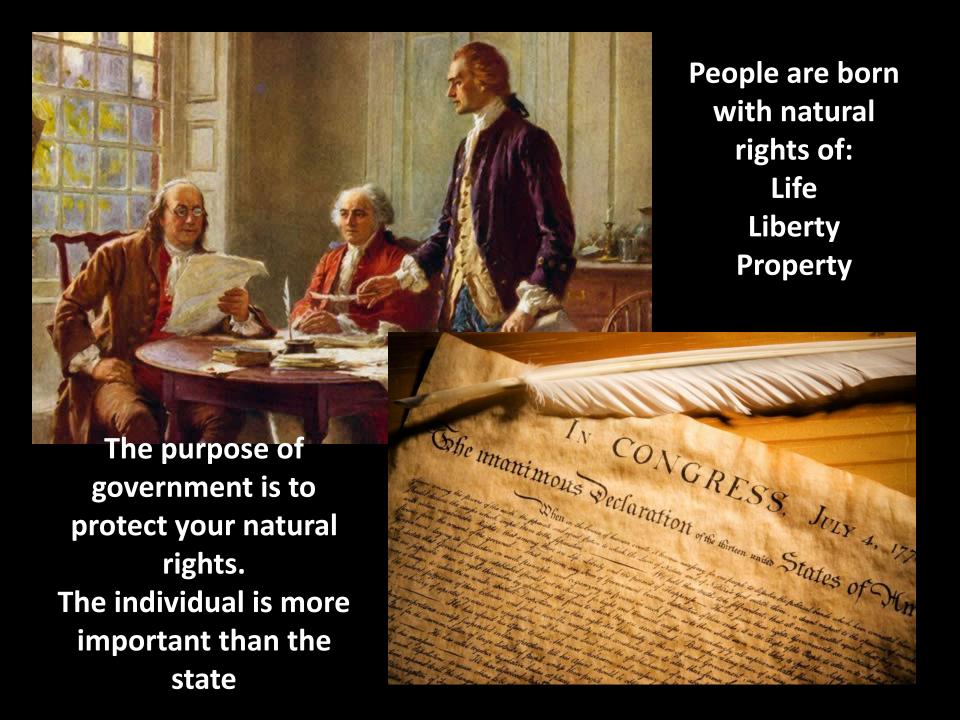


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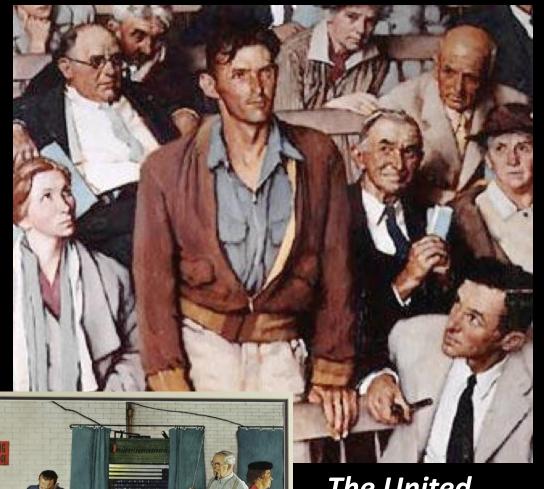
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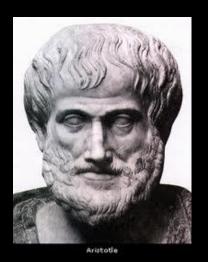
Ordinary people can rule themselves.
They do not need a king, a chief or a dictator!



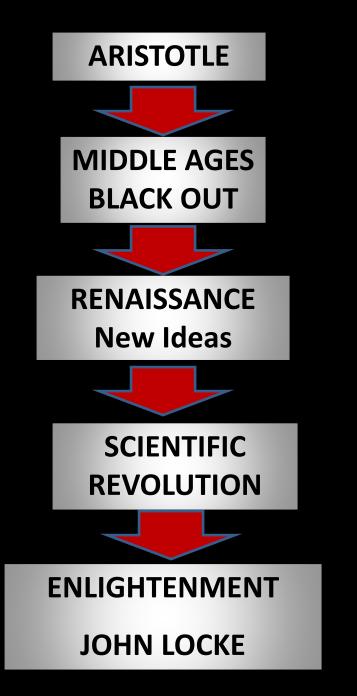


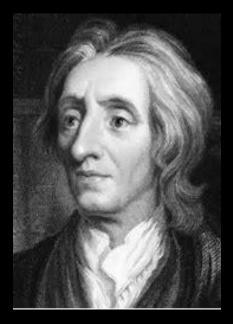
The United
States is the
first country
created on an
idea...

Thank you for your attention



ARISTOTLE





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