

Quiz 7

Plato, *Euthyphro*

1. Euthyphro's first account of piety is rejected because it:

- a. picks out the wrong property to be piety.
- b. does not justify Euthyphro's prosecution of his father.
- c. is a list.
- d. claims that piety is devotion to the gods.

2. Socrates is justified in asking Euthyphro to answer his "What is F (piety)?" question because:

- a. Socrates wants to know.
- b. They both want to know.
- c. Socrates wants to show Euthyphro that he is wrong.
- d. Euthyphro implies that he knows what piety is.

3. Socrates' exposes Euthyphro's first acceptable definition of piety as:

- a. missing important properties.
- b. leading to an inconsistency.
- c. based on an invalid argument.
- d. asymmetric, not an identity.

4. The answer to the "Euthyphro question" that is accepted is that:

- a. the pious is loved by the gods because it is pious.
- b. the pious is pious because it is loved by the gods.
- c. the pious is loved by the gods because it is god-beloved.
- d. the god-beloved and the pious are one and the same.

5. The key step in the refutation of Euthyphro's equation of the god-beloved and piety depends upon:

- a. symmetry (e.g. if A because B then B because A).
- b. asymmetry (or anti-symmetry).
- c. the fact that the gods quarrel.
- d. substitutivity of identicals.

6. The crucial consequence of the facts that the gods disagree, which Socrates uses to refute Euthyphro's first definition, is that:

- a. they do not agree on what is pious.
- b. the same act would be pious and impious.
- c. we cannot be pious to all the gods simultaneously.
- d. we cannot learn from the gods to know what is piety.

7. Socratic inquiry generally refutes the one questioned (the interlocutor) by leading him to an inconsistency with:

- a. Socrates.
- b. well founded assumptions.
- c. himself.
- d. common sense.

8. A good illustration of Socratic irony is when Socrates:

- a. asks Euthyphro "What is piety?"
- b. asks Euthyphro to teach him.
- c. questions Euthyphro's first definition of piety.
- d. asks Euthyphro whether the gods quarrel.

[Answers 1. C 2. D 3. B 4. A 5. D 6. B 7. C 8. B]