

Metaphysics Review Quiz for Class One:

Here again are the in-class quiz questions:

1. For what reason do people today find *metaphysical thinking* threatening?
 - a. It is very difficult—thus it offends a sense of egalitarianism, wherein all knowledge should be equally accessible to everyone.
 - b. It leads to serious disagreements and wars among men, because people come to different conclusions and are convinced they are right and others are wrong.
 - c. It can't be verified by empirical science as we know it, and it claims to stand in judgment of empirical science.
 - d. It gives an objective understanding of what it means to be human, including a spiritual soul, and a real and meaningful difference between the sexes.
 - e. It points to an objective code of good and evil in the moral life.
 - f. It shows the human person to be both uniquely noble in the material world, while also radically dependent on a first cause that stands outside the observable universe.
 - g. All of the above.

2. Metaphysics is called 'first philosophy' primarily because
 - a. it is the first science to be studied
 - b. it is the science that deserves government funding before all others
 - c. it studies the first causes
 - d. all the above

3. Metaphysics is called metaphysics because:
 - a. meta means 'more' and this studies more than the science of physics
 - b. meta means 'after' and this science is studied after physics
 - c. meta means 'change' and this science studies the principles that change the physical world.
 - d. all the above

4. Metaphysics is called theology or the divine science because:
 - a. it studies God
 - b. it must be studied before studying revealed theology
 - c. it is the same science as revealed theology
 - d. all the above

Here are some additional questions:

5. Concerning metaphysical thinking and the science of metaphysics:
 - a. there is no distinction
 - b. there is a distinction, but everyone should do both
 - c. there is a distinction, and everyone should do the former and only some the later
 - d. there is a distinction, and everyone should do the latter and only some the former

6. Concerning metaphysics and philosophy:

- a. there is no distinction
- b. there is a distinction, and the former is just one part of the latter
- c. there is a distinction, and the latter is just one part of the former

7. Concerning God and metaphysics

- a. God is the 'subject' of metaphysics
- b. God is the highest subject of metaphysics
- c. God is the highest object of metaphysics
- d. God is the only object of metaphysics

8. Concerning the term 'wisdom:'

- a. wisdom refers to ability to see and give order
- b. wisdom refers to insight into the first causes
- c. wisdom refers to the highest kind of knowledge
- d. wisdom refers to both a natural and a supernatural knowledge
- e. natural wisdom can be identified with the science of metaphysics
- f. all of the above