



Course Objectives:

I. Participants will understand ten fundamental philosophical principles of civilization:

PRINCIPLE OF IDENTITY AND VALUES

- 1) Principle of Beneficence (Jesus)

PRINCIPLES OF REASON

- 2) Principle of Non-Contradiction (Plato and Aristotle)
- 3) Principle of Complete Explanation (Socrates, Plato, Aristotle)
- 4) Principle of Objective Evidence (Plato and Aristotle)

PRINCIPLES OF ETHICS

- 5) Principle of Non-Maleficence (Jesus, Moses, and worldwide religions)
- 6) Principle of Consistent Ends and Means (Augustine)
- 7) Principle of Full Human Potential (Las Casas)

PRINCIPLES OF JUSTICE

- 8) Principle of Natural Rights (Suarez, Locke, Jefferson, Paine)
- 9) Principle of the Fundamentality of Rights (Suarez, Locke, and Jefferson)
- 10) Principle of Limits to Freedom (Locke and Montesquieu)

II. Participants will be able to apply all ten of these principles to pro-life issues, and will have proficiency in defending pro-life positions using them.

III. Participants will be familiar with Healing the Culture resources, and will understand how to use these resources to teach the ten principles on college campuses, and in high schools, youth groups, campus ministry, religious education programs, home schools, and study groups.

