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The well-being of the collective is more important than the well-being of individuals.

Human history is linearly progressive, and virtual utopia is possible.

Humans are born as a tabula rasa (blank slate) and generally shaped by the environment.

An action's moral worth is determined by its intent.

All cultures are of equal worth.

Human happiness is better achieved by a global centralization of power.

All truth is relative.

Government regulation is generally a better way to distribute wealth.

1. Freedom is more important than equality.
2. The well-being of individuals is more important than the well-being of the collective.
3. Human history is cyclical, and utopia is not possible.
4. Humans are born with a nature which is generally independent of the environment.
5. An action's moral worth is determined by its outcome.
6. Some cultures are of greater or lesser worth than others.
7. Human happiness is better achieved by national sovereignties built on constitutionally limited government.
8. Some truth is absolute.
9. Market forces are generally better ways to distribute wealth.