

# Reply

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This careful review honors me more than I deserve. I thank Professor Berkowitz for his kindness. As to his objections, Nietzsche's text can speak for itself. Let the reader decide. His concluding remarks, however, move me to add a word of advice to the reader.

From the work of great thinkers as from works of art, we learn only as much as the questions with which we approach them permit. Certain questions are bound to distract us from the essential. First and foremost among them are questions of the practical kind, which, be they "moral," "legal," or "political," always keep our eyes riveted on worldly, daily concerns. Thinking proper does not begin until the seventh day, when, having let all such matters come to rest, we turn at last to the light in which they appeared, and wonder at the sense of their being.

