

Categories of morality (2)

Conscience

- It is an ability to critically evaluate his/her acts and judge them (if they violate) as improper and imperfection;
- F. Dostoyevsky, N. Berdyaev: it exists even inside the criminal;
- It is a reminder of a human nature and mission;
- It is a source of sufferings or even a suicide.

Freedom

- It is one of the main conditions of morality;
- I. Kant: “we should live as if we are free”;
- There are thousands of factors from outside making us dependent (climate, salary, etc.) but from “inside” - we are free;
- People can calculate the planet movement for another hundred years, yet cannot know what happens to him next moment;

Freedom

- Thus, a human being can liberate himself from many outside factors;
- Inside (even in prison) and outside freedom; at the same time he can be a “slave” being free: dependent on other people, feelings, habits;
- The central question of ethics: freedom of choice: a man is always free to choose, even between death and life.

Freedom

- J.-P. Sartre: “Freedom is a human being phenomenon”;
- F. Nietzsche: “ Are you calling yourself as *free? For what* are you free? Are you from those who *have a right* to be free? Some *lost their last value* by liberating themselves from slavery”

Freedom

- Freedom is not always or necessarily good;
- Freedom of good assumes freedom of evil;
- The tragedy of the world is often explained by freedom as the basis of this world; at the same time freedom is the basis of morality and virtue;
- “if the world was made of good only, we would not need God.” –N. Berdyaev.

Happiness

- Happiness as an award for a moral life (in many ethical concepts);
- Different understanding of happiness;
- Often a and realizes it at the end of life (legend of Solon);
- Money, power, love, health, - often conceived as happiness, but are imitation;

Happiness

- Happiness is a life in agreement with yourself;
- Life without fears, unneeded hopes, dreams, but in self-confidence;
- It is possible only this moment, it is not in the past, not in the future.