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Contemporary Sociological Theory and Its Classical Roots

The Basics

SAGE Publications **Contemporary Sociological Theory and Its Classical Roots: The Basics** is a brief survey of sociology's major theorists and theoretical approaches, from the Classical founders to the present.

Sociological Theory

SAGE Publications Now with **SAGE Publishing**, and co-authored by one of the foremost authorities on sociological theory, the Tenth Edition of **Sociological Theory** by George Ritzer and Jeffrey Stepnisky gives readers a comprehensive overview of the major theorists and schools of sociological thought, from sociology's origins through the early 21st century. Key theories are integrated with biographical sketches of theorists, and are placed in their historical and intellectual context. This text helps students better understand the original works of classical and modern theorists, and enables them to compare and contrast the latest substantive concepts. New to this Edition Chapter 1 now includes a discussion of colonialism as one of the forces that shaped modern society. The "Historical Sketch" chapters contain new material on the historical significance of early women founders, and on the contributions of W.E.B. Du Bois. Chapters on Marx, Durkheim, Weber, and Simmel now conclude with sections on contemporary applications of ideas from these 19th century thinkers. A new chapter focuses theories of race, racism, and colonialism, as well as theories about indigenous peoples and theories from the "Global South" that challenge the work of scholars from Europe and North America. The concluding chapter has a new section on theories of prosumption, one of the newest developments in consumer theory. New material on colonization, women classical theorists, and race theory, as well as new timelines, added to history chapters.

Sociological Theory

The Blackwell Companion to Major Contemporary Social Theorists

John Wiley & Sons **The Blackwell Companion to Major Contemporary Social Theorists** is a survey of contemporary social theory that focuses on the thinkers themselves. In original essays especially commissioned for this volume, leading experts and practitioners examine the life and work of 13 major theorists such as Elias, Baudrillard, Giddens, and Butler. Includes 13 original essays by leading scholars on major contemporary social theorists. Covers key figures such as Elias, Goffman, Foucault, Habermas, Giddens, Bourdieu, and Butler. Essays include biographical sketches, the social and intellectual context, and the impact of the thinker's work on social theory generally. Includes bibliographies of the theorist's most important works as well as key secondary works. Can be used in conjunction with **The Blackwell Companion to Major Classical Social Theorists**, edited by George

Ritzer, for a complete reference source in social theory.

Modern Sociological Theory

SAGE Publications Now with **SAGE Publishing**, and co-authored by one of the foremost authorities on sociological theory, the **Eighth Edition of Modern Sociological Theory** by **George Ritzer and Jeffrey Stepnisky** provides a comprehensive overview of the major theorists and theoretical schools, from the Structural Functionalism of early 20th century through the cutting-edge theories of the late 20th and early 21st centuries. The integration of key theories with biographical sketches of theorists and the requisite historical and intellectual context helps students to better understand the original works of contemporary thinkers. New to this Edition A new chapter focuses theories of race, racism, and colonialism, as well as theories about indigenous peoples and theories from the “Global South” that challenge the work of scholars from Europe and North America. New material on colonialization, classical women theorists, and race, as well as new timelines in history chapters. The chapter on Symbolic Interactionism now discusses work on the sociology of emotions. The concluding chapter now discusses affect theory and theories of presumption, one of the newest developments in consumer theory. The chapter on Contemporary Theories of Modernity includes new section on the work of Charles Taylor. New perspectives on the work of Immanuel Wallerstein have been added to the chapter on Neo-Marxian theories. The opening historical sketch chapters now include a discussion of colonialism as one of the forces that shaped modern society; new material on the historical significance of early women founders; and a section on theories of race.

Postmodern Social Theory

McGraw-Hill Humanities, Social Sciences & World Languages Ritzer's long-awaited text in **Postmodern Social Theory** is a readable & coherent introduction to the fundamental ideas & most important thinkers in postmodern social theory.

Classical and Contemporary Sociological Theory

Text and Readings

SAGE Publications The authors are proud sponsors of the 2020 **SAGE Keith Roberts Teaching Innovations Award**—enabling graduate students and early career faculty to attend the annual **ASA pre-conference teaching and learning workshop**. Now available for the first time in print and e-book formats **Classical and Contemporary Sociological Theory: Text and Readings** offers students with the best of both worlds—carefully-edited excerpts from the original works of sociology’s key thinkers accompanied by an analytical framework that discusses the lives, ideas, and historical circumstances of each theorist. This unique format enables students to examine, compare, and contrast each theorist’s major themes and concepts. In the Fourth Edition of this bestseller, examples from contemporary life and a rich variety of updated pedagogical tools (tables, figures, discussion questions, and photographs) come together to illuminate complex ideas for today’s readers. Attention Instructors! Free digital resources are included with this text. Learn more.

Frontiers of Social Theory

The New Syntheses

Columbia University Press This book presents essays reflecting the current state and near-term prospects of sociological theory.

Introduction to Sociology

SAGE Publications This Fourth Edition of George Ritzer's Introduction to Sociology shows students the relevance of sociology to their lives. While providing a rock-solid foundation, Ritzer illuminates traditional sociological concepts and theories, as well as some of the most compelling contemporary social phenomena: globalization, consumer culture, the digital world, and the "McDonaldization" of society. With examples on every page from current events and contemporary research, and stories about "public" sociologists who are engaging with the critical issues of today, the text demonstrates the power of sociology to explain the world, and the diversity of questions that sociologists seek to answer. New to this Edition New "Trending" boxes focus on influential books written by sociologists that have become part of the public conversation about important issues. Replacing "Public Sociology" boxes, these boxes demonstrate the diversity of sociology's practitioners, methods, and subject matter, and feature such authors as: Michelle Alexander (The New Jim Crow) Elizabeth Armstrong and Laura Hamilton (Paying for the Party) Randol Contreras (The Stick-Up Kids) Matthew Desmond (Evicted) Kimberly Hoang (Dealing in Desire) Arlie Hochschild (Strangers in Their Own Land) Eric Klinenberg (Going Solo) C.J. Pascoe (Dude, You're a Fag) Lori Peek and Alice Fothergill (Children of Katrina) Allison Pugh (The Tumbleweed Society) Updated examples in the text and "Digital Living" boxes keep pace with changes in digital technology and online practices, including Uber, bitcoin, net neutrality, digital privacy, WikiLeaks, and cyberactivism. New or updated subjects apply sociological thinking to the latest issues including: the 2016 U.S. election Brexit the global growth of ISIS climate change President Trump's proposed Mexican border wall further segmentation of wealthy Americans in the "super rich" transgender people in the U.S. armed forces charter schools the legalization of marijuana the Flint water crisis fourth-wave feminism

Sociological Theory in the Contemporary Era + Mcdonaldization of Society 3rd Ed. + Intensive Culture

Classical Sociological Theory

McGraw-Hill Education Written by one of the foremost authorities on sociological theory, this text gives readers a comprehensive overview of the major classical theorists and schools of sociological thought. The integration of key theories with biographical sketches of theorists and the requisite historical and intellectual context helps students to better understand the original works of classical authors as well as to compare and contrast classical theories.

Modern Sociological Theory

McGraw-Hill Humanities, Social Sciences & World Languages Gives readers an overview of the contemporary schools of sociological thought. This book integrates key theories with biographical sketches of theorists, placing readings in context and helping students understand the diversity of contemporary theory. It reflects debates in sociology and includes sections on Actor-Network theory, and more.

Introduction to Sociology

SAGE Publications Join the conversation with one of sociology's best-known thinkers. The Third Edition of Introduction to Sociology, thoroughly revised and updated, continues to show students the relevance of the introductory sociology course to their lives. While providing a rock-solid foundation, George Ritzer illuminates traditional sociological concepts and theories, as well as some of the most compelling contemporary social phenomena: globalization, consumer culture, the Internet, and the "McDonaldization" of society. As technology flattens the globe, students are challenged to apply a sociological perspective to their world, and to see how "public" sociologists are engaging with the critical issues of today.

The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Sociology

John Wiley & Sons Featuring a collection of original chapters by leading and emerging scholars, The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Sociology presents a comprehensive and balanced overview of the major topics and emerging trends in the discipline of sociology today. Features original chapters contributed by an international cast of leading and emerging sociology scholars Represents the most innovative and 'state-of-the-art' thinking about the discipline Includes a general introduction and section introductions with chapters summaries by the editor

The Blackwell Companion to Major Classical Social Theorists

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Explorations in Social Theory

From Metatheorizing to Rationalization

SAGE George Ritzer is one of the leading social and cultural commentators of the present day. In this essential new book he considers some of the main tendencies in contemporary social theory. Included here are Ritzer's latest reflections on the uses and misuses of metatheory. According to Ritzer, sociology is a multiparadigm science. The differences and intensities of rivalries between paradigms are often very confusing for students and even for professional sociologists. This book seeks to find a way out of the confusion by sketching out the lineaments of a new integrated sociological paradigm and demonstrates how this paradigm can be applied. It shows the various ways in which Ritzer has developed rationalization theory to shed light on professional integration, the shape of consumer culture, hyperrationality and the state of sociology today.

The McDonaldization of Society

Into the Digital Age

SAGE Publications The book that made "McDonaldization" part of the lexicon of contemporary sociological theory, read by hundreds of thousands of students, is now in its Tenth Edition! George Ritzer's seminal work of critical sociology, The McDonaldization of Society, continues to stand as one of the pillars of modern sociological thought. Building on the argument that the fast food restaurant has become the model for the rationalization process today, this book links theory to contemporary life in a globalized world. Ritzer opens our eyes to many current issues and shows how McDonaldization's principles—efficiency, calculability, predictability, and control—have been applied to other sectors of American society and throughout the world. This new edition continues to shift its focus to how we experience McDonaldization online, the new locus of production and consumption in the digital age.

Sociological Theory in the Contemporary Era

Text and Readings

Pine Forge Press **Sociological Theory in the Contemporary Era, Second Edition**, combines well-edited, important original writings from sociology's core contemporary theorists with introductory text that provides a historical and theoretical framework for understanding them. Authors Scott Appelrouth and Laura Desfor Edles use this unique text/reader approach to introduce students to contemporary sociological theory in a lively and engaging fashion. The text/reader provides not only a biographical and theoretical summary of each theorist's works but also an overarching scaffolding that students can use to examine, compare, and contrast each theorist's major themes and concepts. The book also offers discussions of past social and intellectual milieus to provide a holistic picture of the development of the theories discussed.

Classical Sociological Theory

SAGE Publications The authors are proud sponsors of the 2020 SAGE Keith Roberts Teaching Innovations Award—enabling graduate students and early career faculty to attend the annual ASA pre-conference teaching and learning workshop. **Classical Sociological Theory, Eighth Edition**, provides a comprehensive overview of the major theorists and schools of sociological thought from the Enlightenment roots of theory through the early 20th century. The integration of key theories with biographical sketches of theorists and the requisite historical and intellectual context helps students to better understand the original works of classical authors as well as to compare and contrast classical theories.

Capitalism and Classical Social Theory, Third Edition

University of Toronto Press In this third edition of **Capitalism and Classical Social Theory**, John Bratton and David Denham build on the classical triumvirate—Karl Marx, Émile Durkheim, and Max Weber—by extending the conversation to include early female theorists such as Mary Wollstonecraft and Charlotte Perkins Gilman, as well as the writings of W.E.B. Du Bois and G.H. Mead. Connecting current headlines in the political mainstream to concepts like alienation, anomie, class, gender, race, and the environment, **Capitalism and Classical Social Theory** sheds light on how classical social theories may be applied and understood within a contemporary context. This revised and expanded third edition features topical discussions of socio-economic shifts in the post-Trump and post-Brexit world and uses original excerpts and additional readings to further contextualize the significance of classical social theory today.

Classical and Contemporary Sociological Theory

Text and Readings

SAGE Publications **Classical and Contemporary Sociological Theory: Text and Readings** provides students with the best of both worlds—carefully-edited excerpts from the original works of sociology's key thinkers accompanied by an analytical framework that discusses the lives, ideas, and historical circumstances of each theorist. This unique format enables students to examine, compare, and contrast each theorist's major themes and concepts.

Encyclopedia of Social Theory

Psychology Press "The **Encyclopedia of Social Theory** provides a reference source for students and academics, embracing all major aspects of the field. Written by more than 200 internationally distinguished scholars, almost 500 entries cover core contemporary topics, concepts, schools, debates, and personalities in the history of the discipline. Special attention is paid to leading schools and debates, with shorter entries reserved for biographies of key theorists and definitions of key terms. Entries are fully cross-referenced and

contain concise listings for further reading. A comprehensive index guides the reader to further divisions of contents."--BOOK JACKET.

Classical Sociological Theory

This work provides an overview of the history of classical sociological theory and the work of the major classical theorists. Key theories are integrated with biographical sketches of the lives of theorists to place readings in their personal and historical context for students.

The International Handbook of Sociology

SAGE 'The most up-to-date survey of the range of research in contemporary sociology, extremely useful to students, teachers, and researchers alike. Indispensable for collective and personal libraries' - Immanuel Wallerstein, *Maison des Sciences de l'Homme*, Paris This unique Handbook provides state-of-the-art reviews of sociology conducted by prominent scholars. Drawing on dedicated knowledge and expertise, the book constitutes an unrivalled guide to the central theoretical and methodological perspectives in the discipline as a whole. The book is organized into six parts: o conceptual perspectives o social and cultural differentiation o changing institutions and collective action o demography, cities and housing o art and leisure o social problems Each chapter includes a comprehensive review of the literature, covering the full range of work from contrasting traditions of thought and approaches. No existing work matches this Handbook for scholarly coverage and relevance. It is a primary resource for understanding the discipline. As such, it will appeal to lecturers, researchers and advanced graduate and undergraduate students in Sociology.

Introduction to Sociological Theory

Theorists, Concepts, and their Applicability to the Twenty-First Century

John Wiley & Sons The revised third edition of the text that combines classical and contemporary theories of sociological theory Thoroughly revised and updated, the third edition of an *Introduction to Sociological Theory* offers an in-depth introduction to classical and contemporary theories, and demonstrates their relevance to offer a clear understanding of a broad range of contemporary issues and topics. As with the previous editions, the text continues to combine carefully selected primary quotations from a broad range of theorists with extensive discussion and illustrative examples from a diverse range of countries, helpful timelines of important and thematically relevant events, biographical notes, contemporary topic boxes, analytical photos, and chapter glossaries. The text addresses topics such as the persistence of economic and social inequality, Brexit, post-truth society, same-sex marriage, digital surveillance and the on-demand gig economy. Written in an engaging style, *Introduction to Sociological Theory* offers a comprehensive introduction to the pluralistic breadth and wide-ranging applicability of sociological theory. This updated edition of the authoritative text: Contains both classical and contemporary theories in a single text Builds on excerpts from original theoretical writings with detailed discussion of the concepts and ideas under review Includes new examples of current empirical topics such as Brexit, Donald Trump's presidency, China's growing economic power, global warming, intersectionality, social media, and much more Offers additional resources including a website that contains multiple choice and essay questions, a thoroughly refreshed set of PowerPoint slides for each chapter with multimedia links to content illustrative of sociological processes, a list of complementary primary readings, a quotation bank, and other background materials Written for undergraduate courses in contemporary and classical sociological theory, the third edition of an *Introduction to Sociological Theory* continues to provide a comprehensive, in-depth, and empirically engaging, introduction to sociological theory.

Invitation to the Sociology of International Law

Oxford University Press *Invitation to the Sociology of International Law* aims to cast light on the under-explored sociological dimension of international law. The book emphasizes that international legal rules are profoundly embedded in diverse social factors and processes, such as norms, identity, and collective memory. Thus, international law often reflects and affects societal factors and processes in state societies and in the international community. The book exposes some central tenets of the sociological perspective and its core theoretical approaches, and presents a sociological analysis of several significant topics in present-day international law. The volume surveys subjects such as compliance,

international economic law, legal fragmentation, law-making, and the impartiality of adjudicators, and reveals that a sociological analysis of international law enriches our understanding of social factors involved in the formation, evolution, and implementation of the law. Such analysis may not only explain past and present trends in international law but also bears significant implications for the interpretation of existing legal provisions, as well as suggesting better legal mechanisms for coping with contemporary challenges. In light of the underlying interrelationships between international law and other social factors, this book invites international law specialists to analyse international legal rules in their wider social context and to incorporate sociological tools into mainstream international law scholarship.

Globalization

A Basic Text

John Wiley & Sons Updated to reflect recent global developments, the second edition of **Globalization: A Basic Text** presents an up-to-date introduction to major trends and topics relating to globalization studies. Features updates and revisions in its accessible introduction to key theories and major topics in globalization Includes an enhanced emphasis on issues relating to global governance, emerging technology, global flows of people, human trafficking, global justice movements, and global environmental sustainability Utilizes a unique set of metaphors to introduce and explain the highly complex nature of globalization in an engaging and understandable manner Offers an interdisciplinary approach to globalization by drawing from fields that include sociology, global political economy, political science, international relations, geography, and anthropology Written by an internationally recognized and experienced author team

Handbook of Social Theory

SAGE The **Handbook of Social Theory** presents an authoritative and panoramic critical survey of the development, achievement and prospects of social theory.

Enchanting a Disenchanted World

Continuity and Change in the Cathedrals of Consumption

Pine Forge Press The only book to connect the everyday world of the 20-something undergraduate consumer with sound sociological analysis of the world of consumption **Enchanting a Disenchanted World, Third Edition** examines Disney, malls, cruise lines, Las Vegas, the world wide web, Planet Hollywood, credit cards, and all the other ways we now consume. Thoroughly updated to reflect the recent economic recession and the impact of the internet, bestselling author George Ritzer continues to explore this book's central thesis: that our society has undergone fundamental change because of the way and the level at which we consume. This Third Edition demonstrates how we have created new "cathedrals" of consumption (places that enchant us so as to entice us to stay longer and consume more) while continuing to take capitalism to a new level. These places of consumption, whether in our homes, the mall, or cyberspace, are in a constant state of "enchanting the disenchanted," luring us through new spectacles because their rational qualities are both necessary and deadening at the same time. **New and Hallmark Features** Offers a unique analysis of the world of consumption, especially the settings in which consumption takes place Discusses the recent global economic recession throughout Offers rich details on consuming in such places as Las Vegas, Disney World, on cruise ships, in Wal-Mart, at McDonald's, and, new to this edition, on the Web Includes a wide range of theoretical perspectives—Marxian, Weberian, critical theory, postmodern theory—as well as a number of concepts such as hyperconsumption, implosion, simulation, and time and space to show students how sociological theory can be applied to everyday phenomena

The McDonaldization of Society

The McDonaldization of Society

An Investigation Into the Changing Character of Contemporary Social Life

One of the most noteworthy and popular sociology books of all time, *The McDonaldization of Society* demonstrates the power of the sociological imagination to today's readers in a way that few books have been able to do. It is ideal for use in a wide range of undergraduate courses and will be of equal interest to anyone interested in social criticism. This book links a large number of social phenomena to McDonaldization, some which are directly affected by the principles of the fast-food restaurant and others where the effect is more indirect.

The SAGE Handbook of Sociology

SAGE Sociology has evolved greatly since its inception as an academic discipline. It has diverged into numerous strands often flowing in disparate directions - so much so that today the notion of canonical sociology has become widely disputed. The field of sociology at present approximates to one of multi-paradigmatic complexity in which many approaches to theory must be distinguished and situated. In addition, the discipline has had to confront new challenges from globalization, the shift of interest from production to consumption, the rise of new social movements, the challenge of bio-engineering, the collapse of a 'presently existing socialist alternative' and much else besides. The new *SAGE Handbook of Sociology* aims to address these new developments, while at the same time providing an authoritative guide to theory and method, the key sub-disciplines and the primary debates of today. To undertake this ambitious project three leading figures in the field of sociology were selected as editors to bring together the foremost exponents of the different strands that contribute towards the make up modern sociology. Drawn from both sides of the Atlantic the contributors have been commissioned to utilise the most up to date research available to provide a critical, international analysis of their area of expertise. The result is this essential resource collection that not just reflects upon the condition of sociology today but also looks to future developments in the discipline. The Handbook is invaluable not just all sociologists but to a wide variety of students and researchers across the social sciences. Click on 'Sample Chapters & Resources' to download the introduction.

Sociological Theory in the Classical Era

Text and Readings

Pine Forge Press This book is a hybrid of text and readings, providing both original, major writings of sociology's key classical theorists and a theoretical and historical framework, written by Edles/Applero, with which to better understand the readings. This is a major difference from the traditional reader which can leave students unmotivated when readings are thrown at them one after another with no interpretive guidance or analytical framework. Features/Benefits: - Text plus readings in a "hybrid form". The text will provide the interpretive and analytical guidance necessary to interpret the readings. It includes a 30 page introduction (Ch.1), 8 - 14 page introductions in each chapter, 1 - 2 page article introductions, and a 10 -15 page conclusion at the end of the book. - 'Theoretical Orientation Diagrams' and 'Core Concepts Diagrams' provide students a means to fit the theorist under study into the broader universe of social theory. - 'Significant Others' boxes provide information and biographies on theorists who may have followed and derived much of their own perspective from the major theorists featured in each chapter. - Discussion questions at the ends of chapters. New to this Edition: - At least 7 new 'Significant Others' boxes. - Each chapter updated with new examples. - New readings added to Weber, Marx, and Durkheim chapters. - New chronological order for readings where possible (where not possible - i.e. it does not fit the logical thematic to do so there will be an explanation in the introduction as to why the readings are ordered the way they are).

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The McDonaldization of Society

20th Anniversary Edition

SAGE George Ritzer's *McDonaldization of Society*, now celebrating its' 20th anniversary, continues to stand as one of the pillars of modern day sociological thought. By linking theory to 21st century culture, this book resonates with students in a way that few other books do, opening their eyes to many current issues, especially in consumption and globalization. As in previous editions, the book has been updated and it offers new discussions of, among others, In-N-Out- Burger and Pret A Manger as possible antitheses of McDonaldization. The biggest change, however, is that the book has been radically streamlined to offer an even clearer articulation of the now-famous McDonaldization thesis.

Contemporary Sociological Thinkers and Theories

Routledge This book offers a comprehensive overview of the major theoretical perspectives in contemporary sociology, covering schools of thought or intellectual movements within the discipline, as well as the work of individual scholars. The author provides not only a rigorous exposition of each theory, but also an examination of the scholarly reception of the approach in question, considering both critical responses and defences in order to reach a balanced evaluation. Chapters cover the following theorists and perspectives: † Alexander † Bourdieu † Ethnomethodology † Exchange Theory † Foucault † Giddens † Goffman † Habermas † Luhmann † Merton † Network and Social Capital Theory † Parsons † Rational Choice Theory † Schutz and Phenomenalism † Structuralism † Symbolic Interactionism An accessible and informative treatment of the central approaches in sociology over the course of the last century, this volume marks a significant contribution to sociological theory and constitutes an essential addition to library collections in the areas of the history of sociology and contemporary social theory.

Popular Culture: Global Intercultural Perspectives

Bloomsbury Publishing Through popular culture, we can define, explore and experiment with our identities. This vibrant text provides an understanding of popular culture in a globalized world through the intersection of sociology and cultural studies, combining cultural theory with a wide range of examples from everyday life, including fashion, social networking and music, drawn from the United States, the UK and the Asia-Pacific.

Classical Sociological Theory

SAGE Publications Now with SAGE Publishing, and co-authored by one of the foremost authorities on sociological theory, George Ritzer and Jeffrey Stepnisky's *Classical Sociological Theory, Seventh Edition*, provides a comprehensive overview of the major theorists and schools of sociological thought from the Enlightenment roots of theory through the early 20th century. The integration of key theories with biographical sketches of theorists and the requisite historical and intellectual context helps students to better understand the original works of classical authors as well as to compare and contrast classical theories. New to this Edition · In Ch. 1, Colonialism is now discussed as a major social force in development of modern society. · In Ch. 2, there is an expanded discussion of the historical significance of Early Women Founders and the contributions of W.E.B. Du Bois. · The chapter on Du Bois (Ch. 9) includes new material about his intellectual influences. · New contemporary commentary about Durkheim has been added to Ch. 7. · Ch. 9 includes new material from recently translated later writings of George Simmel, providing new context for his overall theory. · Addition of Historical Context boxes throughout text. · Sections on contemporary applications of classical theory have been added to each chapter.

The Socio-Intellectual Foundations of Malek Bennabi's Approach to Civilization

International Institute of Islamic Thought (IIIT) Since the publication of Samuel Huntington's "The Clash of Civilizations" concern about civilization has been reintroduced into the debate on the world order. Malek Bennabi (1905-1973), prominent Algerian thinker and great Muslim intellectual, intently focused on unravelling the causes of Muslim decline and the success of Western civilization and culture. The key problem he theorized lay not in the Qur'an or Islamic faith but in Muslims themselves. The author investigates Bennabi's approach to civilization and the fundamental principles drawn, using metatheorizing methodology. In doing so he sheds further light on perhaps one of the more intriguing elements of Bennabi's theory, that civilization is governed by internal-external and social-intellectual factors and that an equation can be generated for civilization itself. This equation of $\text{Man} + \text{Soil} + \text{Time} = \text{Civilization}$ and of which religion, according to Bennabi, forms the all-important catalyst, is explained and its significance in terms of the reversal of Muslim decline evaluated. What is clearly apparent is that for Bennabi, Man is the central force in any civilizing process and without him the other two elements are of no value. With regard to outcomes, Bennabi's unerring conviction that unless Muslims changed their spiritual condition they could not effect any far-reaching, meaningful change in society is echoed in the Qur'anic verse: "Verily, never will Allah change the condition of a people until they change what is in themselves" (13:11).

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