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A Philosophical Analysis

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Synopsis

This is a unique book on terrorism that openly, rationally and passionately delves into what underlies terrorism, what in some cases justifies it on ethical grounds, and how terrorism might be dealt with successfully. Rather than assuming from the start a particular point of view about terrorism, this book uniquely engages the reader in a series of critical discussions that unveil the ethical problems underlying terrorism. A must-read for everyone interested in understanding the depths of terrorism.

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What is Terrorism? Is there only one form of Terrorism? What the media and government want Americans to believe is that we as a country have fallen solely victim to acts of Terrorism. But what about the United States’ Terrorism against other countries? From dropping the Atomic bomb in Japan after knowledge of their peaceful surrender, to our invasion in Iraq. This book exposes the truth about Terrorism and views it from each different angle. There is terrorism that targets: property, certain individuals that had direct pain to the person, and terrorism aimed to do a lot of destruction and kill many people. The main question we hear is, “Can Terrorism ever me morally justified?” If you think close-minded, your answer will be no it cannot. But what if change is necessary or the government is terrorizing a group? Yes, this happened in the Waco Siege. Unfortunately it did not end peacefully, and the government did nothing afterwards to find justice for them. This led to the Oklahoma City Bombing which killed approximately 170 people. During the September 11 attacks
on the World Trade Centers, did Americans stop and ask why? By actually taking this course, this book helped me understand the act of Terrorism and why it occurs. Do not take the review about the Professor only wanting to up his sales because like any class in college, if you want to succeed you need to purchase your books!

Great book. I used this for an 18 page paper I wrote for a philosophy class. I was comparing ancient Greek philosophical thought to modern day thought. This author really covers the bases and goes further. He writes a rebuttal to Socrates, which is not easy, and definitely was the bulk of my secondary sources I used. I give 4 stars because I wish that it had covered Aristotle.

This is one of the most comprehensive, thought provoking and to the point books on terrorism I have read up to now. The author writes in a clear and concise way on the moral questions relating to terrorism and secession. He does not stop at the obvious and dares to take - well-reasoned - positions which might not always be what everybody would like to hear.

I bought this book because the author teaches at San Diego State University and gives open book tests to increase sales of his book. The book lacks an interesting quality but it does define terrorism in a way that hasn’t been looked at previously.

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