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Reading & Discussion Questions pp.	183-190, 224-228, 253-257, 281-284, 354-358	

Directions: Please answer the following questions in a typed document following MLA formatting. On time submission = printed document submitted in class on the due date AND submission to Turnitin.com by class time.

- 1. Describe the character of Zeus. What kind of sense of justice would the Greeks receive from Theogony and the character of Zeus in Homer?
- 2. (From "The Polis" primary source reading). According to Aristotle, what is the purpose of the family? How does this contrast with the Biblical purpose of the family?
- 3. Aristotle's Politics, of which "The Polis" is a section, and Genesis 9, form an interesting contrast in their views of the purpose of civil government. Read Genesis 9:5-6 and Romans 13:4. What is God's purpose for civil government? What is the purpose of civil government (the state) according to Aristotle?
- 4. The textbook explains concerning the Minoan civilization that "human sacrifice wasn't carried out very often" (134). Is human sacrifice ever acceptable? In America, should human sacrifice be a protected practice under the First Amendment? Explain.

Historical Analysis Writing Assignment

In two well-developed paragraphs, discuss the importance of the polis, according to Aristotle. How does the meaning of the polis to the Greeks compare or contrast to the modern-day view of our "home city"? Your paragraphs must be at 300 words total and you must use examples from the reading to support your response. Points will be deducted if minimum requirements are not met.