

Title: Concept of God in Ancient Greece

Mysteries of life and vastness of nature forced the human beings to believe in supernatural power, which is able to regulate the universe and fate of man. Ancient Greeks were able to know the wishes of gods by giving oracles, practiced by soothsayers. Soothsayers interpreted lightning, thunder, movements of birds and direction of fire related to sacrificed animals. Interpretation of dreams was also popular. Their famous soothsayers were Tarsiers, Calchas, etc. Sometimes, gods spoke directly to the people. Their oracles worked on the basis of future prediction, with each oracle associated with one of the gods. Apollo was responsible to convey the

decisions of Zeus Delphi was associated with Apollo and Dodona was associated with Zeus.

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i. Author characterizes the concepts of civil society as the places, where people spend their free time. They talk to one another. They discuss the common issues, and they try to find out their solutions. Local parks, sports clubs, social movements, etc. are examples of civil society.

ii. Civil society strives towards better socialization by promotion of tolerance. People learn to listen the opinions of others. They focus on common interests. They focus on developing productive strategies for dealing

with conflicts and differences.

iii. Social capital refers to general sense of social trust and mutual obligation. This promotes solidarity in society, and society functions more efficiently.

iv. Civil society assumes the role of public stake holders by promoting the sense of collective public interest, instead of individual interests. They try to make public interest safe and secure. They also try to influence public opinion and public policy.

v. Weakening state of civil society will cause less security of collective interests. This will lead to weaker socialization. The common issues will not be addressed. Public will not be able to influence the opinion of public.

Every era brings such matters, which are not liked by everyone, but they have to accept it. Sometimes, to test us, nature brings such things in front of us, which are not related to us, but to move on, we make them part of our life. Same is happening today. Every century brings such changes, which are completely new one as compare to previous centuries. Advancement in natural science has given such things, which are considered as waste of economy and knowledge. Nature gives us fruits, and also warns us to dispose its peels properly. Otherwise, environmental degradation will increase.