



The Reading List

In scope:

- Political theory
- Metapolitics
- Metahistory
- Philosophy
- Political tactics

Out of scope:

- Economics
- History
- “Low” Politics
- Psychology
- Fiction

Cleavages



- Universalism vs. Particularity
- Populism vs. Elitism
- Tradition vs. Modernity
- Religion vs. Science
 - Christianity vs. Paganism
 - Catholicism vs. Protestantism
- Monarchy vs. Democracy
- Conservative vs. Reactionary

Rules

1. No more than five books per author.
2. Must be a book I own.
3. No more than one hundred books total.

Reference Works



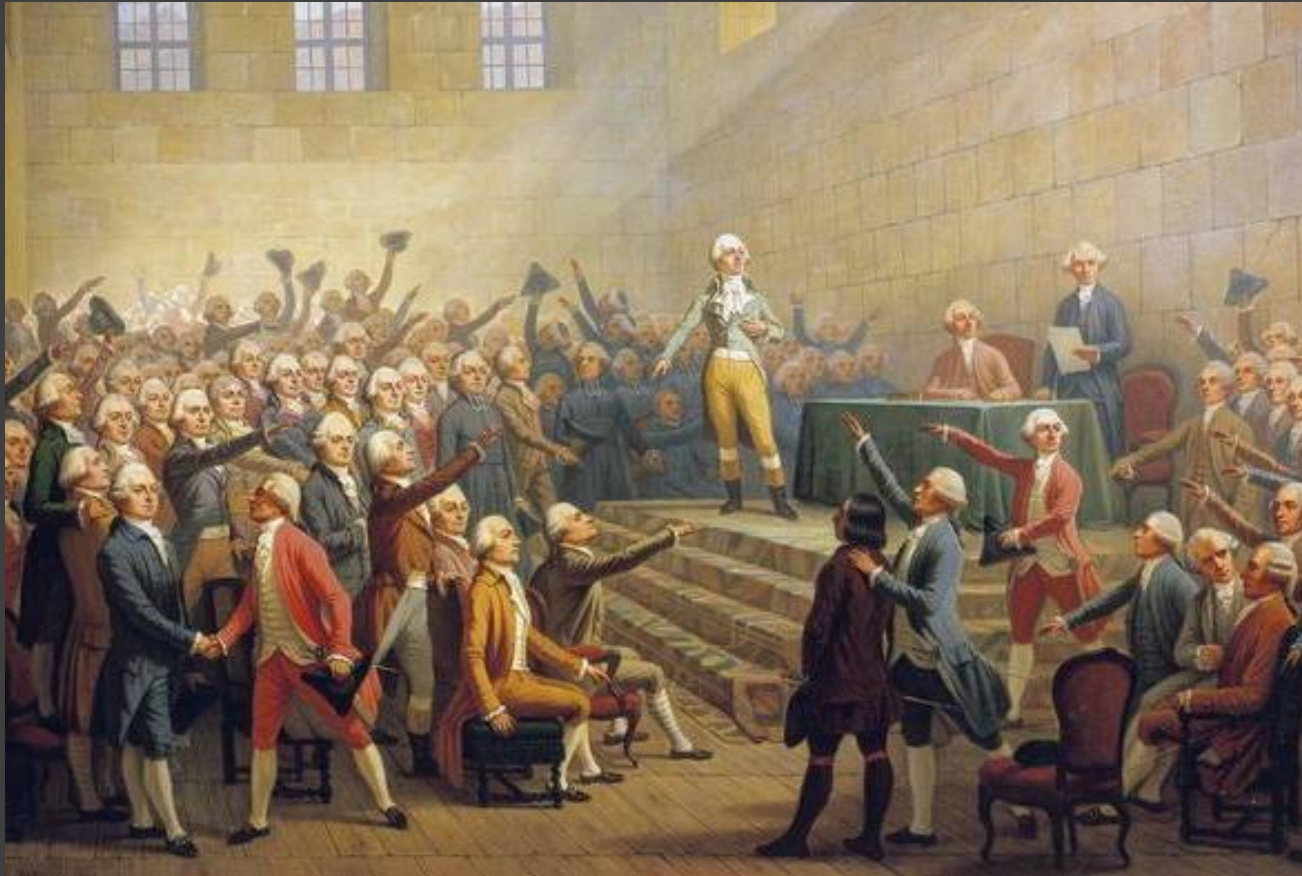
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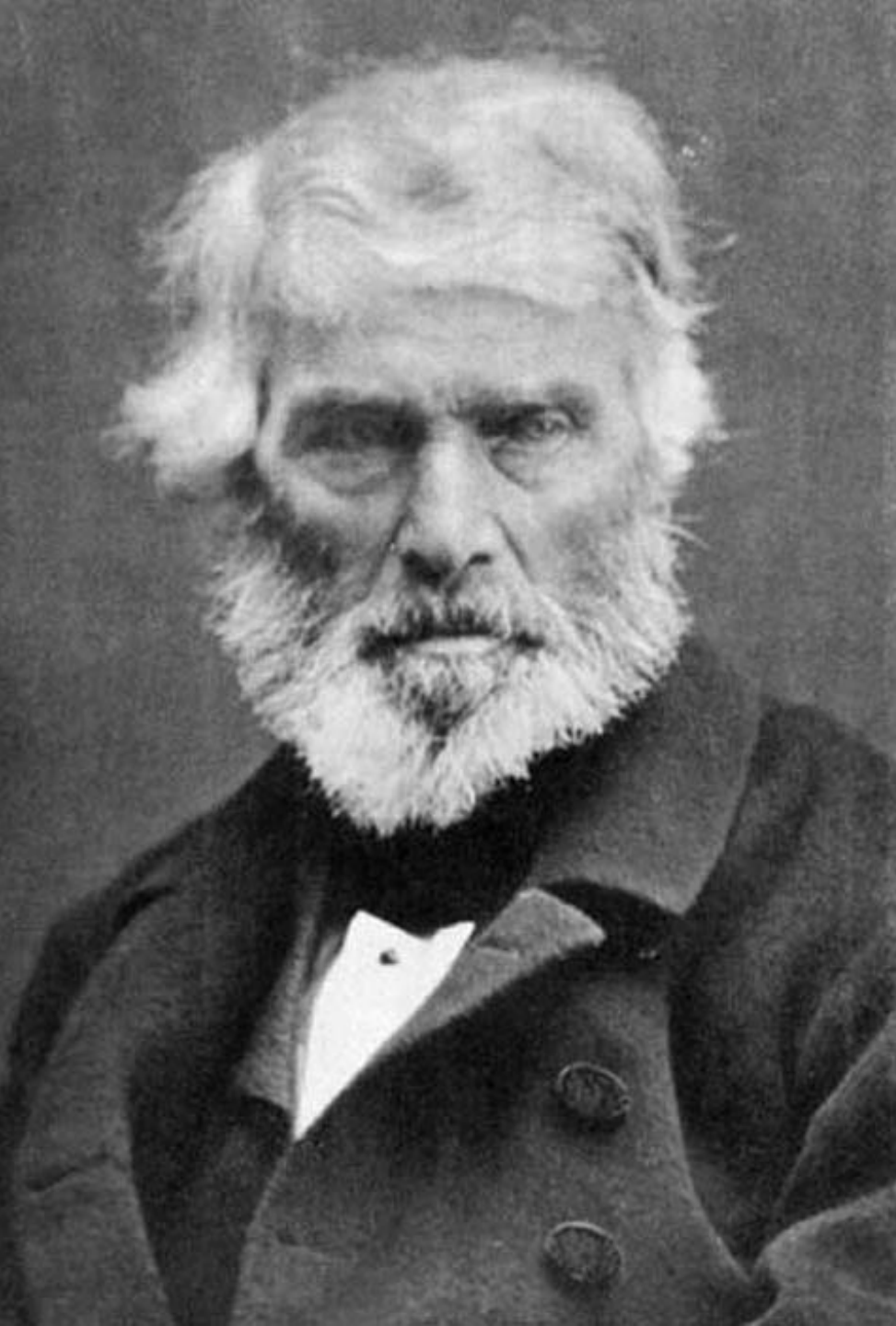
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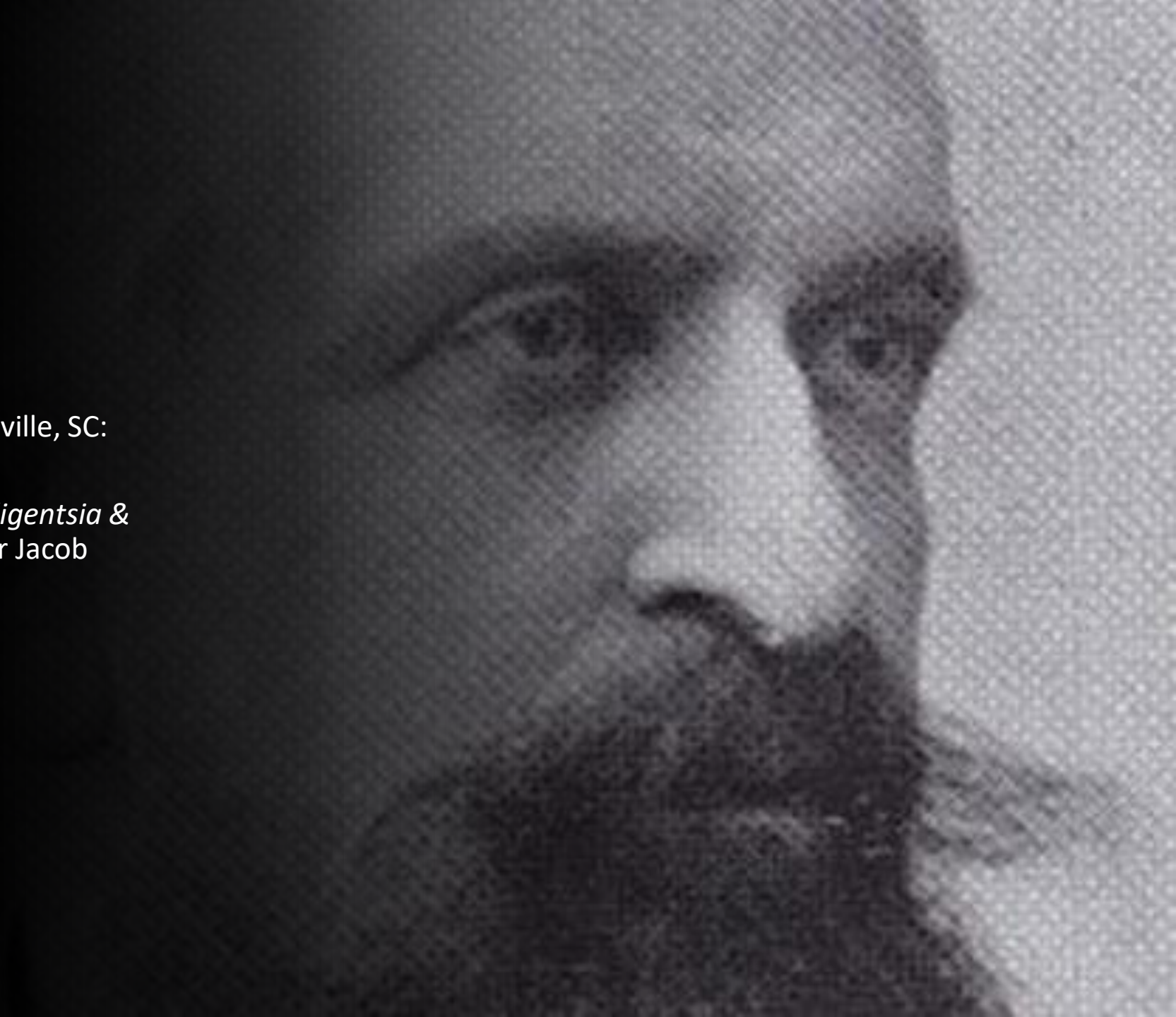
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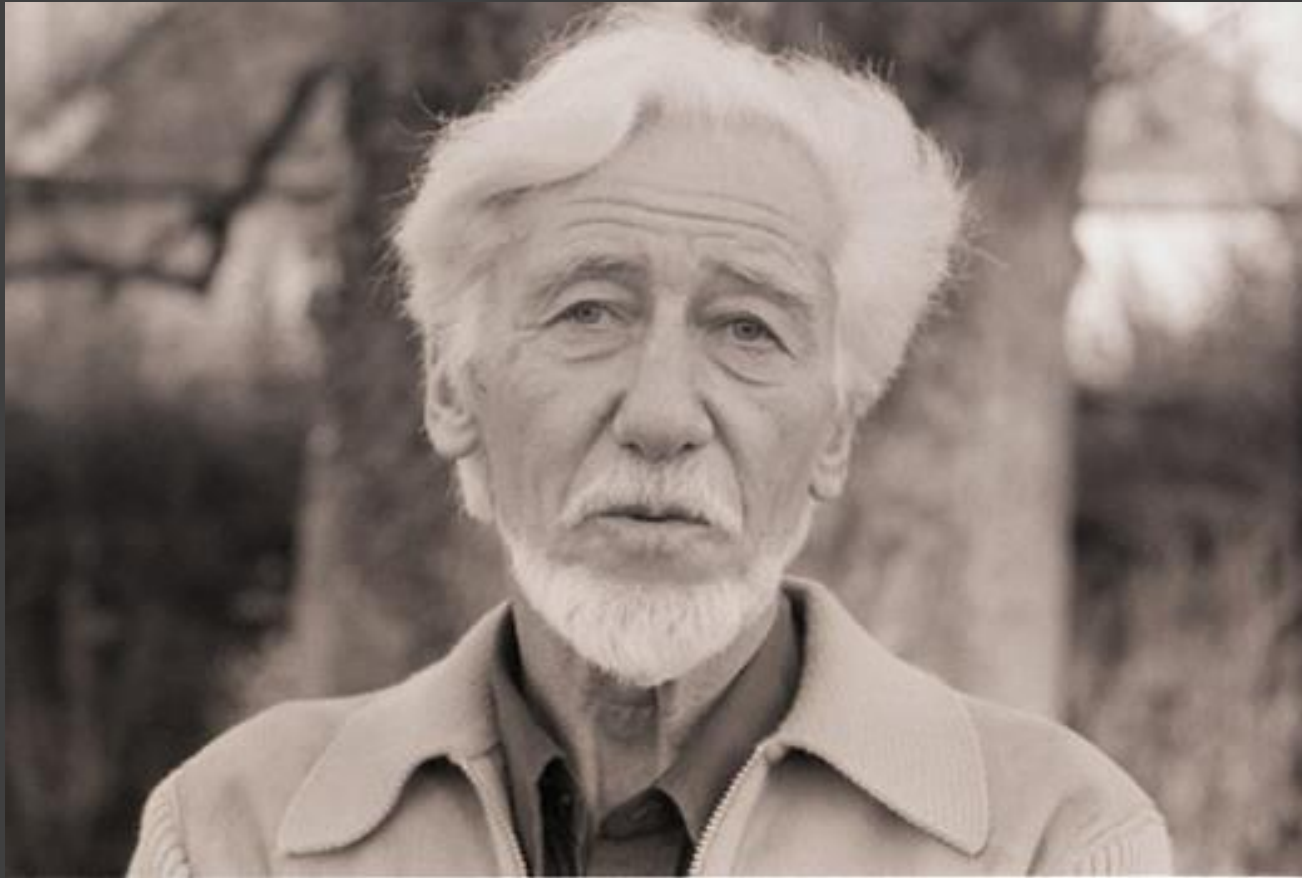




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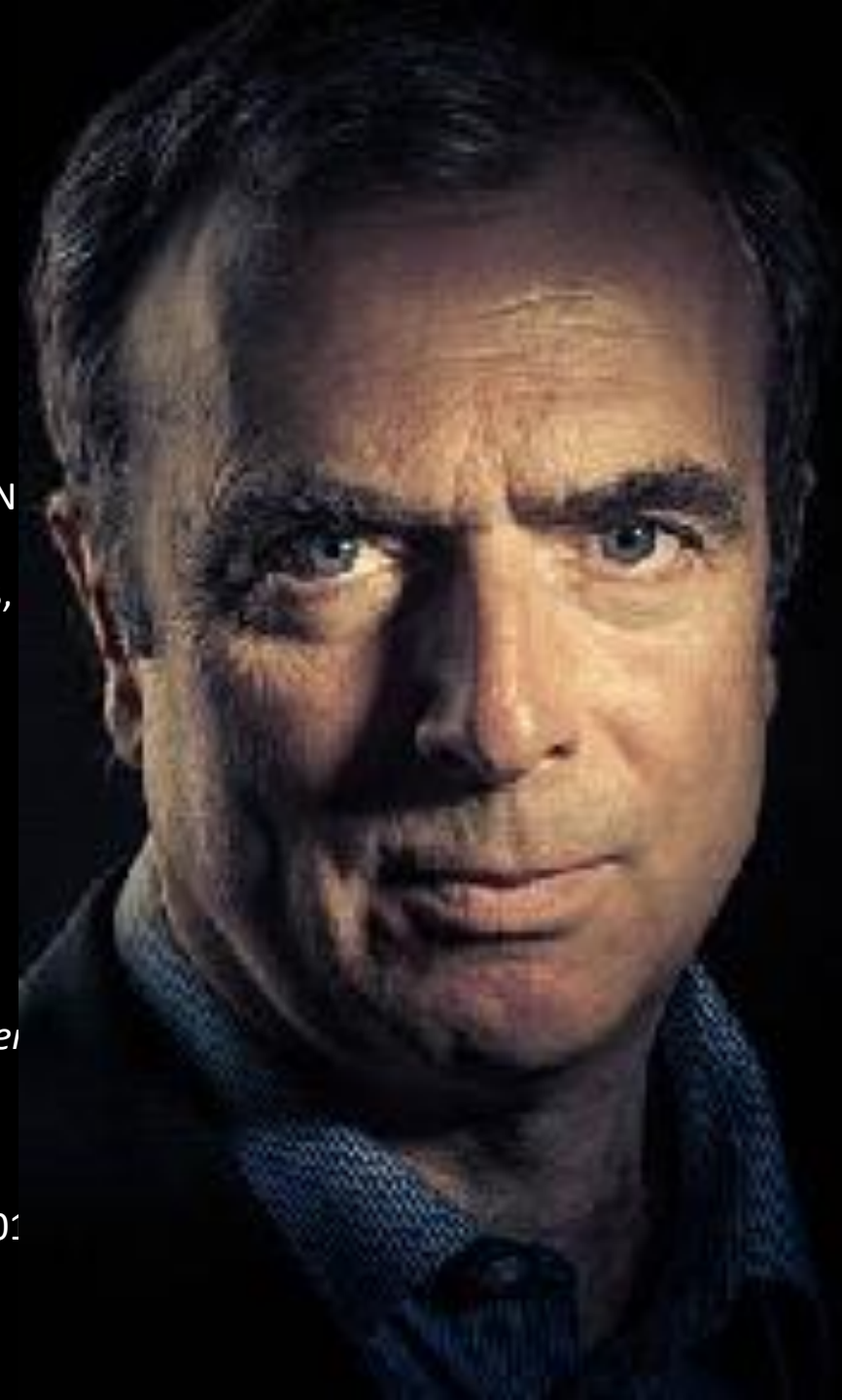
American Mainstream Right

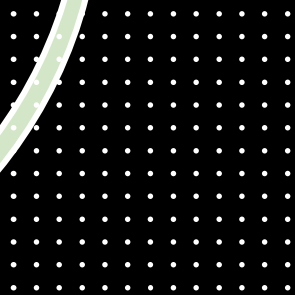
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