Ring of Gyges

- Just man will act the same as the unjust man. Pg 354

- If people think they can't get caught, unjust
  - People are just for fear of punishment
  - Want appearance of being just
    + with no credit/reinforcement no justice

- Nature encourages self
  - Solipsism - nothing else exists

- Incentives to be just
  - Honors & gifts
  - Biblical encourages no rewards
    - God to Abraham & Job
    - Pray in private
    - Sell all wealth
      - appear unjust
      - Suffering
      - others impressions

Pg 54 · 359 · Justice unobtainable
- Justice does not exist
- External perception/reputation
- "Be true to yourself"
- Truth

- Machiavelli seem good vs. being good
  - Guardian vs. Civilian
  - Unjust but seem just - better off
    - Tangible reward vs. metaphysical

So... There are no just men with no laws
The unjust man who seems just is more well off
City Justice

- It's easier to go to the roots of a city
  - larger/bigger model
  - self-sufficient
  - interactions in city
  - solipsists

Can you be unjust when alone?
- just to environment
  - law is enforcer of justice
  - interest of stronger
  - no stronger/strongest
  - give self due
  - giving others due

- be unjust to yourself
  - personal standards

Measure of justice - state of your soul
- can justice exist independently of humanity?

What is required to make a just city?
- Pg 65/2
  - human necessity
  - food shelter clothing/farmer builder
  - create an economy
  - specialization/trade excess
  - self interest
  - surpassing necessity/luxury (Pg 68, e)
  - covet our neighbors land
  - mutual needs
  - interactions take place
  - children's upbringing
  - law/jealousy/fear
Guardians (by zycam...)

- Gentle & high spirited (71, d) - contradictory
- Fierce to enemies/gentle to friends
- Give everyone their due personal opinion

Leit motiv
- Managed/reputation
  - Fallible
  - Manipulating
  - Good person won't strive for image

- Arts/Medicine
- Position/Social role

- Most to be honored
  - God mixes in gold at their birth (pg 113)
- Taken care of
  - Citizens pay stipend (pg. 115)
  - Melt (not surpass) needs
- Work for good of the state
  - Pg. 115 (don't touch gold or silver)
  - No corruption
  - State needs above self needs

Does guardian follow law?
- Good education - conditioned to be just
  - That there are laws for guardian shows lack of faith in education
- Control perception of city (by enemies)
  - Rulers can lie

Guardian is in charge of:
- Music & gymnastics
- Education