Week 2 (Utilitarianism continued)

## Student Learning Outcomes Week 2

- 1. Understand the difference between Mill's and Bentham's Utilitarianism.
- 2. Undertand Bentham's Calculus of Felicity and remember at least three criteria.
- 3. Understand how rights are reduced to utility for utilitarians. (Free speech as example)
- 4. Understand the difference between Act and Rule Utilitarianism.

Justice, read pp. 35-57.

http://caae.phil.cmu.edu/cavalier/80130/part2/II\_3BC.html

## Read Bentham's Utilitarianism

<u>Episode 2 - Discussion Questions</u> Due Monday/Tuesday - Please type, double space, use no larger than 12 font, and minimum 600 words.

Answer the DQ's EVALUATING UTILITARIANISM 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 for this episode.

Bentham's Hedonic Calculus:

Intensity (I)--How intense is the pleasure or pain?

Duration (D)--How long does the pleasure of pain last?

Certainty (C)--What is the probability that the pleasure or pain will occur?

Propinquity (nearness or remoteness) (N)--How far off in the future is the pleasure or pain?

Fecundity (F)--What is the probability that the pleasure will lead to other pleasures?

Purity (P)--What is the probability that the pain will lead to other pains?

Extent (E)--How many persons are affected by the pleasure?