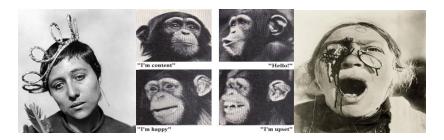
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What do cross-cultural differences in moral attitudes tell us about the nature of morality? How do people actually form moral judgments? How pervasive are forms of implicit race and gender bias, and how might they be overcome? Do robust and stable moral character traits (e.g., generosity, loyalty, courage) exist? What do phenomena like procrastination and weakness of will reveal about human agency and personal identity? And how, if at all, can empirical psychology contribute to normative ethics? These are some of the questions that we will be exploring in this course. We will read historical (e.g., by Aristotle, Montaigne, Spinoza, and Hume) and contemporary (e.g., by Gendler, Davidson, Harman, Prinz) philosophical texts, alongside relevant contemporary psychological literature.