



Teaching Leaflet

Legacies of Care Lesson Four: Philosophies of Care

“Timeline of Social Ministry”

- 1536** First draft of the English Poor Laws
- 1834** Act of 1834 differentiated between the deserving and undeserving poor
- 1841** Dorothea Dix documents inadequate care for mentally ill, beginning with hospital in Cambridge, MA
- 1877** American Charity Organization, Buffalo, NY, was one of first attempts to help people with severe social problems in an organized and logical way
- 1889** Jane Addams and Ellen Gates Starr begin Hull House in Chicago. Such Settlement Houses addressed the causes of poverty and expanded jobs for the poor.
- 1929** Great Depression begins and lasts almost to the start of World War II in 1941. Dust Bowl from 1935 to 1938 adds millions to the unemployed and displaced in America.
- 1933-41** FDR ushers in several initiatives including:
- The New Deal
 - National Labor Relations Act
 - Works Progress Administration
 - Social Security Act
 - Civilian Conservation Corps
- 1964** Civil Rights Act passed; Title II and Title VII forbid racial discrimination in “public accommodations” and race and sex discrimination in employment
- 1965** Lyndon B. Johnson begins his War on Poverty in which he vows to overcome poverty and ushers in his vision of the “Great Society”:
- Voting Rights Act
 - Affirmative Action
 - Economic Opportunity Act
 - Older Americans Act
 - Administration for Children and Families
 - Medicare and Medicaid
 - Food Stamp Program
 - Elementary and Secondary School Education Act
- 1972-73** State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act and Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) introduce revenue sharing, direct aid to local communities
- 1975** Title XX of Social Security Act provides states with the flexibility to provide social services
- 1970s-’80s** Moral conservatism of Republican party; Moral Majority’s influence increases and begins to impact national political agenda; government begins legislating moral values
- 1990s-2000** “Compassionate conservatism” of George H.W. Bush
- 1996** Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act, which established Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) in 1997, effectively ending welfare as entitlement.
- Bill Clinton opens Faith-Based Initiatives Office, which doesn’t become fully active until George W. Bush’s administration

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