

Friedrich Nietzsche (1844-1900)



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The challenge of understanding Nietzsche

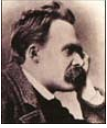
The many readings of Nietzsche

Nietzsche's extraordinary impact (p. 61)



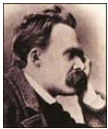
Nietzsche's Distinction Between the "Apollonian" and "Dionysian" Styles of Culture

How he used this distinction to mount a critique of Western civilization



Nietzsche's Attack on Christianity as a Slave Religion

- *what he meant by this*
- *the concept of repression*
- *the irrational in the sociology of knowledge*



"The Madman"

What is Nietzsche saying about

- *religion*
- *society*
- *science*
- *morality*
- *the challenge of the "death of god"*



Nietzsche's Search for a New Morality

"The ideas of Nietzsche still point us to the crucial paths toward liberation."
(Collins & Makowsky, p. 80)
