PHIL 1012 Formal Reading Response 1 UC Denver Spring 2025 **DUE Friday February 21 via Canvas**

Reading response 1 asks you to display your ability synthesize our readings and incorporate specific textual support from assigned readings into formal writing in MLA format.

In class, we've covered texts from the ancient far east up to Plato's dialogues, particularly the *Meno* where Socrates discusses the nature of the soul in relation to virtue.

For your response, please compare and contrast the **metaphysical and ethical implications** from *Tao Te Ching*, *Dhammapada*, and *Bhagavad Gita* to Socrates' ideas about the soul. How do the metaphysics offered in these texts relate to ethical conduct and action in the world?

Length: 800-1200 words. MLA format guide:

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