

## Renaissance Christian Humanist vs. Machiavellian

- God in control of everything and has plan for everything and everyone
  - everything works toward perfect essence
  - everyone else strives to world towards perfection
  - metaphorical language (sun, lion, king, on same levels)
  - chain of being
  - learn moral truths from history
  - appearance is reality
  - divine right of kings
  - Gaunt (God will punish Richard II, no revenge needed)
  - Richard II and beginning of the play *Richard II* ("Earth speech" God would fight for him)
- no overarching plan
  - don't rely on God
  - rely on own sense of power
  - use reason language
  - do things for own gain of power
  - understand Renaissance Christian Humanists but don't except beliefs and use understanding to wards own benefit
  - York (turns own son in)
  - Richard II at end of the play *Richard II* (taking Gaunt's land for his own benefit)
  - Henry IV (killed Richard II, for his own benefit of becoming king)

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