

Just War Theory and the Goal of Protecting Human Rights

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War can sometimes be an
instrument of justice

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Just war theory is a limited war tradition

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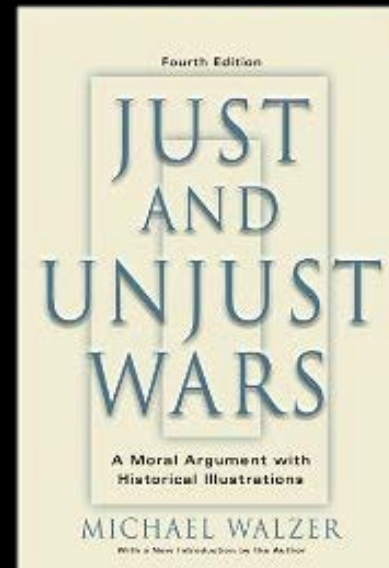
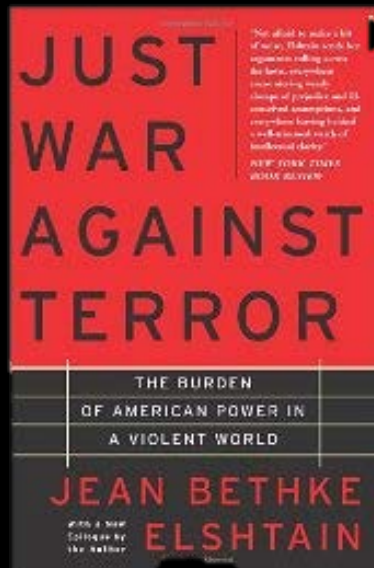
City of God, 413 A.D.

“Love thy neighbor”



Contemporary Just War Theorists

- Jean Bethke Elshtain • Michael Walzer



Just War Theory

Just Resort to War

Jus ad bellum

Just Action in War

Jus in bello

Just Resort to War

- Just cause
- Right authority
- Right intentions
- Last resort
- Reasonable chance for success

Just Action in War

- Discrimination/Noncombatant immunity
- Proportionality of means

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w7cZuhqSzzc>

