

# **Does focus on emotion and intimacy lead to better outcomes in group therapy?**

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## **Annotated references**

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	"free will"	determinist
Individualist	Illusion behind American right to bear arms	Freud's psychic determinism
pluralist	polytheism	Heraclitus's social pluralism
monist	monotheism	Marx's economic determinism

TABLE 1

This table positions social pluralism (championed here by the pre-Socratic philosopher, Heraclitus) in contrast to (a) the non-determinist ("free-will") positions of magical and religious thought, and (b) the determinist but unsophisticated positions of individualism and monism. The most thoroughgoing delineation of social pluralism is found in A J Baker (1997) *Social Pluralism: A Realistic Analysis* (Wild & Woolley, Glebe). A pdf version, albeit with numerous errors of transcription, is available at <http://setis.library.usyd.edu.au/anderson/contributors/price/Social-Pluralism.pdf>

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From “Notes on the Theme, Structure, Content and Presenters”:

“The Conference theme reflects the evident burgeoning of all manner of antipathies and sympathies in the political/psychosocial domain. It also mirrors the title of Jurgen Reeder’s book *Hate and Love in Psychoanalytical Institutions* (Other Press, NY, 2004) in which he explores the navigation between idealization (love) and denigration (hate) that may be seen to permeate most human experiences in relationship (intimate and therapeutic), groups and organizations”

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