



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

# Trump's Principled Realism

- 1) The Trump administration has characterized its emerging national security strategy as “principled realism.” How might such a policy actually work abroad?
- 2) What is the difference between a “Jacksonian” and a “realist” foreign policy?
- 3) Is a realist foreign policy amoral in its pessimistic appraisal of human nature?
- 4) How did we characterize the foreign policy of Ronald Reagan? Neo-isolationist? Realist? Jacksonian? Neo-conservative?
- 5) What best characterizes the current foreign policy doctrine of the respective Democratic and Republican establishments?

## STRATEGIKA

Conflicts Of The Past As Lessons For The Present

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