Chapter 6 - Assignment 3: Pythagoras the Philosopher

1. Pythagorean Ethics -

   (i) According to Pythagoras, why does justice resemble a square?
   (See page 11 in Chapter 6.)

   (ii) What is *metempsychosis* (μετεμψύχωσις)?

   (iii) According to Pythagoras, what does *metempsychosis* have to do with ethics? According to him, what does *metempsychosis* have to do with virtue and vice?
   (See page 33 in Chapter 6.)

   (iv) What is a hedonist?

   (v) Was Pythagoras a hedonist? Why or why not? Explain.
   (See page 33 in Chapter 6.)

2. Pythagoras and Leo - (See pages 43—44 in Chapter 6.)

   (i) According to Pythagoras, what is better than everything else?

   (ii) According to Pythagoras, what is truer than everything else?

   (iii) According to Pythagoras, why wasn't Thales a sage? According to Pythagoras, why didn't Thales have the cardinal virtue of wisdom?

   (iv) According to Pythagoras, what is a philosopher?

   (v) According to Pythagoras, "philosophy" is a word for *physics*.
   By "physics", did he mean *moral* philosophy or *natural* philosophy?