

## **Subject: On Construction Methods of Political Theories of Jia Yi from New Books**

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### **ABSTRACT**

Inheriting the political thoughts of Confucianists' ethics in Pre-Qin Dynasty, Jia Yi proposes the theories of reconstruction of social, economic and political order and mixes the extreme emperor respect color of Legalists as the unique political theories of appealing to ethics with means of political reign. Such spirit of containing both ethics and law is completely developed in his ideas of strict classification of classes, courteous treatment of ministers, respect obedience and centralization of state power. Superficially, such theories are supported by Confucianism views. In fact, they are not established on the ethics mental values of Confucianism but depend on the thoughts of respecting emperors of the Legalists to enhance the power of emperors. Through the political thoughts in combination of ethics and law, one can find that Jia Yi expresses the attitude of respecting Confucianism and reducing respect of Legalism in the name of Confucianism. However, the core values of the theories are still respecting emperors of the Legalism. With ethics of Confucianism to comfort people and then rectification of the Legalism, he achieves the goal of centralization of state power. This not only avoids resistance of people but also stabilizes the foundation of the nation and political situations, forming his unique political theories of combination of ethics and Legalism.

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