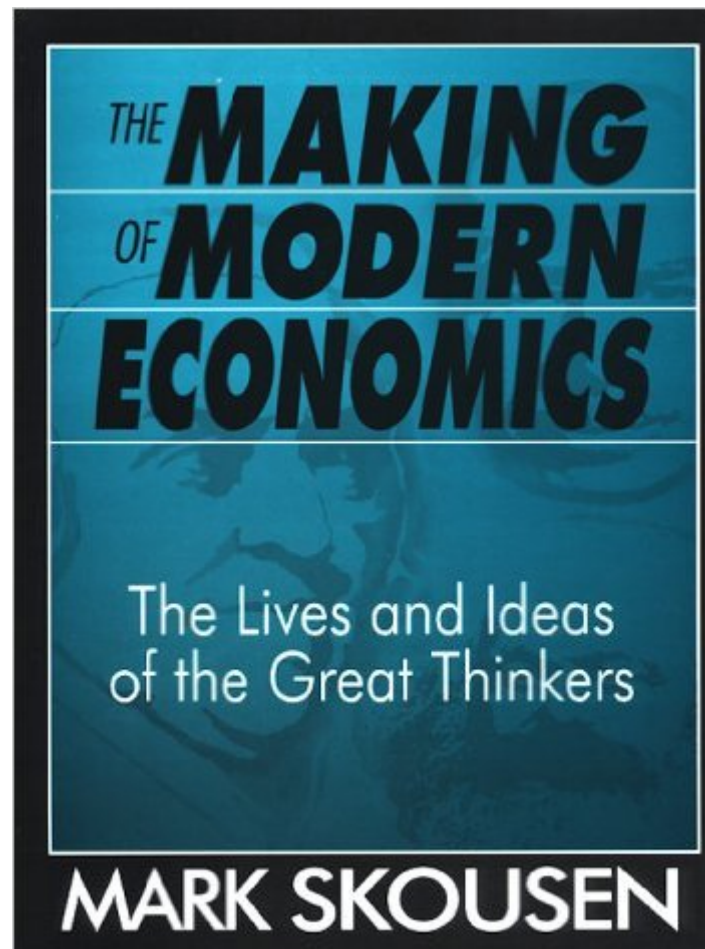


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There's a saying in the economics department of academia that the answers to the test are always the same, only the questions change. Mark Skousen does a masterful job in telling us why this is true. Skousen begins this marvelous book with a quote by J.M. Keynes. I'll paraphrase it as follows: "the ideas of economists and political philosophers are more powerful than commonly understood; indeed the world is ruled by little else". A quote on the same page by J.M. Ferguson avers, "Economics concerns itself with the greatest of all human dramas... the struggle of humanity to escape from want". These two quotes suggest that one: the "follow the money" theory of history has credence, particularly over the Hegelian master-slave theory, and its Marxist class oppression version. And, two: that the study of economics has essentially revolved around how to alleviate poverty, and to create a greater surplus for all people. Skousen begins this tome with a salute to Adam Smith whose "invisible hand" thesis explains the counter intuitive concept that "individual self interest attains for the greatest common good." This idea supports Tom Sowell's assertion that social policy should consist of ways to incentivize industrious, commercially competent, ambitious, self centered men; a push for the idea that greed is good. Skousen compares Smith's "Harmony of

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