

**Siena  
Palazzo Pubblico**

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**Allegories of Good and Bad Government**

**1338-1340**









“The City-State  
Under Tyranny”

“The Virtues of Good  
Government”

“The Good-City  
Republic”





Effects of Good Government in the City



City wall with Angel of Security





## Angel of Security

Without fear each man walks freely, working and sowing, so long as this commune maintains this Lady in power.

Senza paura  
ogn'uom franco  
camini e lavorando  
semini ciascuno  
mentre che tal comuno  
manterrà questa  
donna in signoria  
ch'el alevata arei  
ogni balia



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Effects of Good Government in the City





Commerce and  
shops (botteghe)













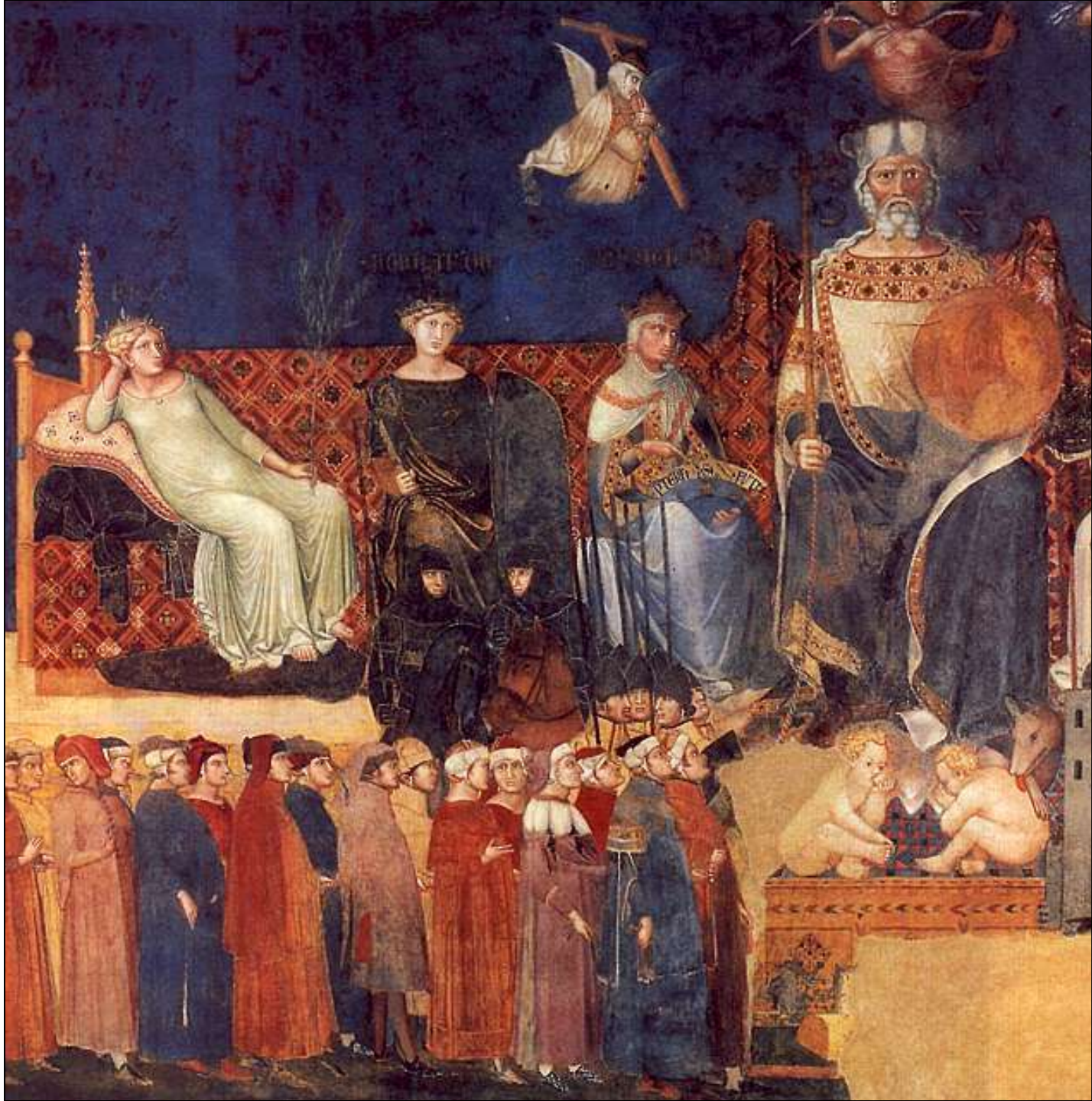
Allegory of Good Government



Right: Divine Wisdom with the theological virtues of Faith Hope and Charity



Justice enthroned: Distributive (left) and Commutative (right) Below: Concordia



Divine  
Wisdom  
Enthroned

On Left:

Peace,  
Fortitude  
Prudence

Peace  
with  
olive  
branch







Citizens



Below: She Wolf with Romulus & Remus Right: Magnanimity, Temperance, Justice

Justice  
with severed  
head



Magnanimity with  
coins





Allegory of Good Government

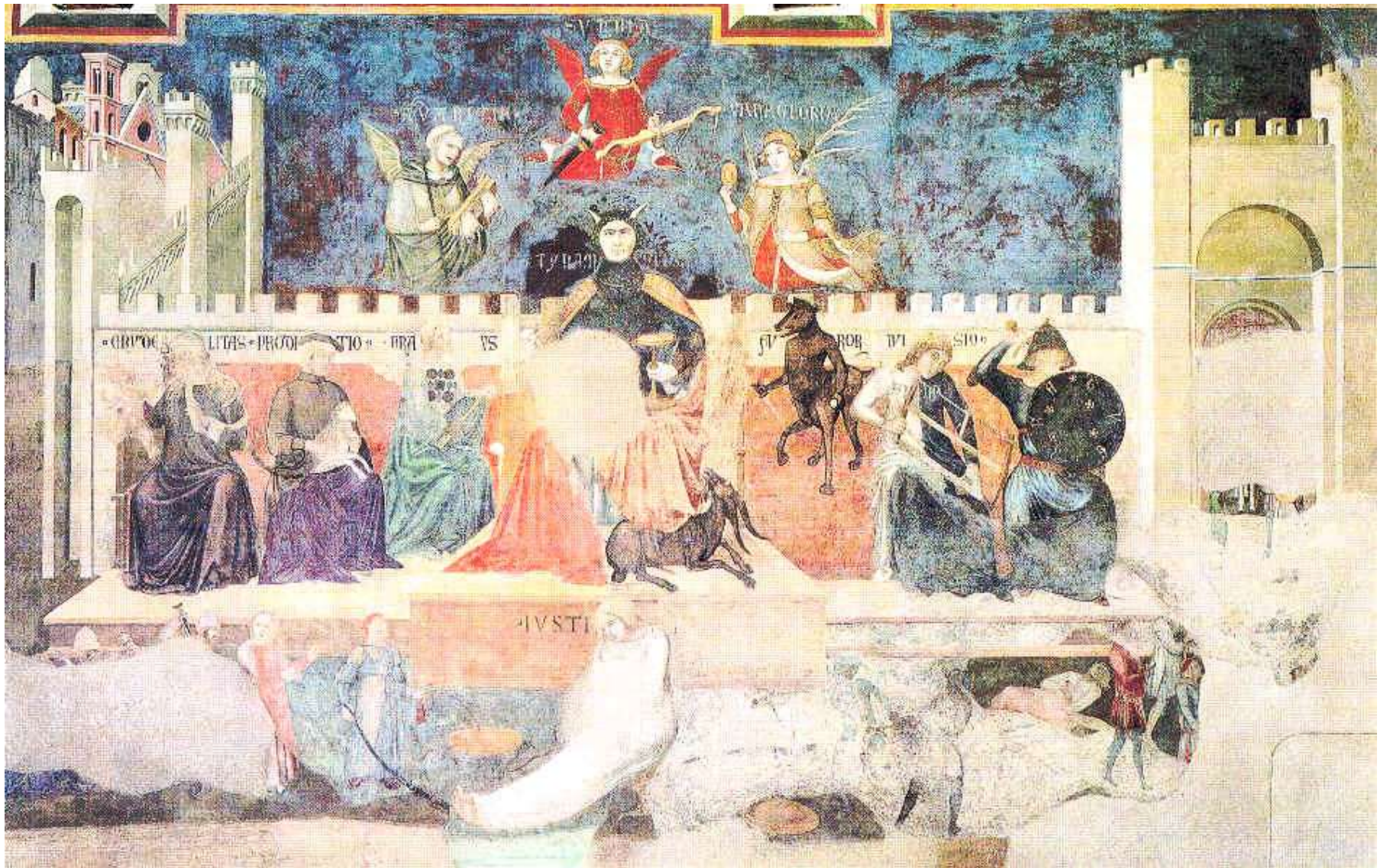


Effects of bad government in the city



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LACON...  
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Avarice,  
Pride  
Vainglory



On Left: Cruelty, Treason, Fraud On right: Fury, Division and War  
Below: Corpse of Justice

Tyranny





Violence in the city



Desolation in the countryside





























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SIENA

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*Simone Martini and Ambrogio Lorenzetti  
in the Town Hall of Siena*

