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Sommario/riassunto	This study attempts to articulate the nature of a secular society, describe its benefits, and suggest the conditions under which such a society could emerge. To become secular, argues Fenn, is to open oneself to a wide range of possibilities.

