



## Part 3. National Socialist Philosophy

### 6. *The Nazi Party Program*

The Nazi Party grew out of the D.A.P., the German Workers' Party. Its goal according to one of its founders, Gottfried Feder, "was to reconcile nationalism and socialism." It was a lecture by Feder in 1919 that attracted Adolf Hitler to the party. Within a year the party changed its name in order to have a name that expressed more accurately its core principles: The new name was the National Socialist German Workers' Party. At a rally in Munich in 1920 involving over 2,000 participants, the party announced its platform—a twenty-five point program.<sup>9</sup> The main authors of the program were Feder, Adolf Hitler, and a third man, Anton Drexler. To understand what National Socialism stood for, the main points of the Program are worth looking at more closely.



**Adolf Hitler**

### 7. *Collectivism, not individualism*

A major theme of the Program is a stress upon collectivism and a rejection of individualism.

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<sup>9</sup> See Appendix 1 for the twenty-five point *Program of the National Socialist German Workers' Party*.