The renowned Kenyan philosopher, Prof. D.A. Masolo, currently teaching at the University of Louisville, Kentucky, U.S.A., is much more than a historian of African philosophy: he is also a rigorous critic of current trends in the field. His latest book, *Self and Community in a Changing World*, explores the relationship between two concepts that have been the subject of socio-political philosophy for more than two millennia. The present article is a critical review of Masolo’s enlightening book.