

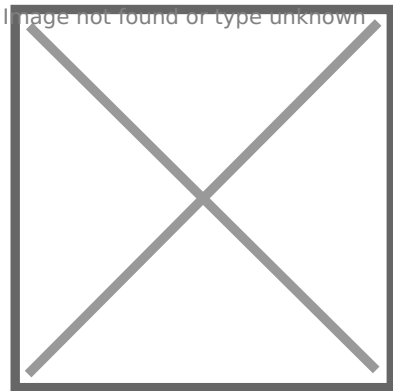
Do Pigs Value Katastematic Pleasure? (Summer 2022 K / K Discussion)

Post by “Don” of July 14, 2022 at 8:44 AM

Let's start with some definitions and we're going to focus on the word Epicurus uses not the translation for right now:

[Henry George Liddell, Robert Scott, A Greek-English Lexicon, ἐπιθυμία](#)

I'm including the Blue Letter Bible entry to illustrate that the Christians took ἐπιθυμία to be inherently bad. Mostly I think because any choice not sanctioned by the church was evil. Remember that the Greek for choice is αἴρεσις hairese̅ whereby we get English heresy.



[G1939 - epithymia - Strong's Greek Lexicon \(kjv\)](#)

G1939 - ἐπιθυμία epithymía, ep-ee-thoo-mee'-ah; from ; a longing (especially for what is forbidden):—concupiscence, desire, lust (after).

www.blueletterbible.org

And finally, some translations for ἐπιθυμία :

Woodhouse, S. C. (1910) English-Greek Dictionary: A Vocabulary of the Attic Language, London: Routledge & Kegan Paul Limited.

appetite idem, page 35.

aspiration idem, page 45.

bent idem, page 74.

caprice idem, page 112.

concupiscence idem, page 156.

<http://www.epicureanfriends.com/thread/2586-do-pigs-value-katastematic-pleasure-summer-2022-k-k-discussion/?postID=18846#post18846>

craving idem, page 182.

desire idem, page 215.

hunger idem, page 410.

inclination idem, page 428.

itch idem, page 461.

longing idem, page 498.

lust idem, page 505.

passion idem, page 597.

predilection idem, page 634.

proneness idem, page 653.

vagary idem, page 942.

want idem, page 961.

whim idem, page 976.

wish idem, page 983.

So you can decide to fulfill an επιθυμία or not. It is an opportunity for a volitional and/or a cognitive act. It could also be a sensory stimulation as in realizing you're hungry or thirsty.

You want something. You decide whether or not you pursue it, to fill that perceived need. So, sensation may be part of it.

The feeling you experience by fulfilling that want, desire, passion, hunger, longing is either pleasurable or painful.

Still thinking...