

Randall's Personal Outline

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Nature provides water, food, shelter, friends, and wisdom.

Consistent with some of the other thoughts you have been expressing about friendship, this sentence causes me to reflect about the general point. More generally, the point that seems to go with this is that nature generally "makes available relatively easily" these things, but that for each of them we do still have to act to go after them. Also important would seem to be that success in obtaining them is not guaranteed (at least not in the sense that death is guaranteed).

The passage that goes with this is apparently:

U469 **Johannes Stobaeus, *Anthology*, XVII.23:** “Thanks be to blessed Nature because she has made what is necessary easy to supply, and what is not easy unnecessary.”