

Epicurean Self-Sufficiency - Video Of A Short Address from the 2013 Promethea Conference in Greece - By George Kaplanis

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Key passages:

Epicurean self-sufficiency and adjustment to living within our means of the moment is not so that we may ratchet ourselves to a lower and lower existence, but to *change* our circumstances.

Behold! Just like the retreat of the Spartans in the battle of Plataea, at a time that was favorable to them they made a U-turn and thereafter they were victorious!

And the Epicureans? Are they trained to endure and withstand ultimately only to adjust to the necessary external conditions?

... What am I saying? That is the national anthem of the Stoics!

He who is self-sufficient is skilled and strong enough to act on his own, without being dependent on others.

And the Epicurean is self-sufficient.

The swerve allows him to not just adjust to the necessity, but to CHANGE it.

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