

Perspectives On "Proving" That Pleasure is "The Good"

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all of these points have been mentioned but...

- Pleasure is something we don't need to reason to determine it's worth, the experience of pleasure shows that by it's very presence in us.

Quote

8. No pleasure is in itself evil, but the things which produce certain pleasures entail annoyances many times greater than the pleasures themselves.

- All choices we make ultimately move toward our pleasure. Whether we choose rightly is another issue.
- To be asked "why would you want to experience pleasure" is almost redundant, it's like being asked why do you want to have fresh air or why do you want functioning mind.
- We don't need to be convinced of pleasure, rather we are usually taught that pleasure is bad and some other thing is good.

Overall, pleasure just has a terrible reputation, for some reason even non religious friends of mine do not desire to admit pleasure is the highest good. Sometimes they exchange the word with happiness, wellbeing, fulfillment etc.. Sometimes it's the all encompassing "good person" alternative.

All these quasi Christian and Stoic influencers in the world don't help either, Jordan Peterson, Andrew Tate, Russell Brand etc...have such a large affect on the younger generations 18-45 and commonly preach pleasure is bad. Anyway small tangent.