

Discussion on Philodemus Fragments

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[Bryan](#) I noticed you posted some fragments on your profile Timeline, and so I wanted to repost them here, and also bring up the questions: What are good sources of Philodemus fragments - translators, books, websites? Recommendations or thoughts on determining accuracy of sources?

Here are the two that Bryan quoted:

(Philodemus - On the Stable Conduct of the Gods - P.Herc. 157 col. 7) "complete happiness is achieved when one keeps their burdens under control and can manage their life in a beneficial way for themselves, and thus attains everything they wish for -- because they harbor no desires or intentions that conflict with nature."

(P.Herc. 152 fr. 9) "External needs contribute to the community's role in fostering interactions, as it is impossible to maintain a sense of community without some level of engagement. This is particularly relevant for us, those who rely on the essential aspects of friendship, with the implication that our lives heavily depend on this communal support."