

The Use of Negation in Epicurean Philosophy Concepts

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[Quote from Cassius](#)

The danger in giving up the word "pleasure" and substituting "peace" or anything else in its place is that the result is to narrow the definition and to imply that what people ordinarily think of as pleasure is not part of the goal, and that danger is present whether the word one chooses is "peace" or "tranquility" or "absence of pain" or anything else. The ancient writers were very clear in stating that Epicurus was held to be an advocate of "pleasure," and that words like tranquility or peace fall within pleasure, not the other way around.

Then one might say: 'When my glass is unwaveringly full, I dwell in peaceful pleasure.' Understanding 'glass' as the body/mind in the most purely materialistic way?

That could be called bliss!