

VS 47 - Thoughts and Application

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That same word for "fortune" (LSJ "the act of a god") also is used for "chance" (LSJ "chance, regarded as an impersonal cause")

εὐτυχεῖν	to be prosperous	ΕΥΤΥΧΕΙΝ <i>coming to be well</i>
τυγχάνειν	to happen to be	ΤΥΓΧΑΝΕΙΝ <i>coming to be</i>
τὸ τυχόν τὰ τυχόντα	what happens [to come] to be	ΤΥΧΟΝ <i>coming to be</i>
ἡ τύχη αἱ τύχαι	chance	ΤΥΧΗ <i>coming to be</i>

I also wanted to point out that the beginning of this saying -- "I have thoroughly anticipated you / Προκατείλημαί σε" -- is built from the same stem as the the word for anticipations.

καταλαμβάνειν	to thoroughly comprehend	ΚΑΤΑΛΑΜΒΑΝΕΙΝ <i>thoroughly grasping</i>
προλαμβάνειν	to anticipate	ΠΡΟΛΑΜΒΑΝΕΙΝ <i>grasping before</i>
ἢ πρόληψις αἰ προλήψεις	[•Λ] anticipation	ΠΡΟΛΗΨΙΣ <i>will grasp before</i>
προκαταλαμβάνειν	to thoroughly anticipate	ΠΡΟΚΑΤΑΛΑΜΒΑΝΕΙΝ <i>thoroughly grasping before</i>
προκατειληφέναι	to have thoroughly anticipated	ΠΡΟΚΑΤΕΙΛΗΦΕΝΑΙ <i>thoroughly grasped before</i>