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Epicurus had the most useful words IMO-- that if failing to achieve a desire won't cause pain, and if you can't get whatever it is or can't get it without more pain than pleasure, it's easy to let go of that desire once you understand it. Giving specific lists is just a way to provide examples of what would cause pain or not if unsatisfied for most people, but the map is not the territory. The observation of typical experience does not replace the peculiarities of individual experience. I think Epicurus understood this clearly.