

Epicurean philosophy vs. Stoicism in public popularity

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In PD5, Epicurus does not idealize the words prudently, morally, and justly. He doesn't put forth a concept of prudence that would result in the same action for every human in every situation.

I never said he idealized those "virtues" as capital-V Virtues.

In fact, that's exactly why he did **NOT** write:

Quote

It is not possible to live a pleasurable life without Wisdom, Morality, and Justice; and it is impossible to live with Wisdom, Morality, and Justice without living pleurably. When one of these is lacking, it is impossible to live a pleasurable life.

as if they were Platonic ideals or absolutes. He used adverbs to clearly show he was not talking about specific actions but rather acting *prudently, morally, and justly* in any given situation.