

# "Wise Man" Saying as to Rejoicing At the Misfortune of Another

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Today I received a question from one of our readers ( [shahabgh66](#) ) who asked about this excerpt from the section of Diogenes Laertius devoted to the string of sayings about what the "wise man" will or will not do:

**He will rejoice at another's misfortunes, but only for his correction.**

The question is - what does this mean? - because it is a little un-intuitive that we would ever rejoice at the misfortunes of another, even those that are instructive. But presumably that is the point, that when someone is corrected through misfortune that is something to be happy about (?)