

# Regarding categories | Will to Power: a natural or un-natural desire?

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Are you specifically looking for an answer that ties to Nietzsche's "will to power"? If you are I think the definition of that term would need to be discussed in detail.

If you are just asking generically about power, fame, wealth, etc., My understanding would be that the issue is not that there is anything intrinsically wrong with some amount of wealth, or power, or fame, but that the error is to pursue these as ends in themselves without consideration of the question of "how much do I really need to remain safe and happy. Some degree of all those things are generally going to be necessary for sustaining control over our living conditions, and they are pleasurable in many cases, so you must first remember the premise that all pleasures are desirable because they are pleasurable. The question is always in every case a matter of whether any course of conduct should be pursued by a particular person under particular circumstances, with the test being will the pursuit in fact lead to greater pleasure or pain

I think that's the general framework and if we want to analyze Nietzsche we simply have to penetrate the density of his expressions to see how what he actually meant fits within that Epicurean paradigm