

Planning For A Weekly EpicureanFriends Zoom Meeting in 2022

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[Quote from Cassius](#)

Epicurus taught a full worldview, in which "pleasure" is only one part, and not what is generally conveyed by "hedonism" at all. As I see it, Epicurus used "pleasure" as a catch-all term for all agreeable feelings, mental and bodily, and on that level "pleasure" is a sweeping term that corresponds to and opposes "virtue" (as that is set up by the stoics and platonists) and "piety" (as that is set up by all those religions who suggest we should worship supernatural gods).

--human as a naturally evolved material animal, coming from pleasure and going ever onward toward pleasure

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--human as dualistic (body & spirit) created by god(s) and who must toil for perfection and to strive to please god(s)