

Welcome SmoothieKiwi!

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Stoicism shows a clear path, without other branches: virtue is the only good, so your goal is to focus on virtue. That's it. You like photography and think that you are extraordinarily talented? It doesn't really matter, because your goal is virtue. It's better if you go into politics, because that's where you can be the most virtuous.

I'm beginning to see why I generally like your posts and thought processes -- i think you've tagged Stoicism exactly right. For some reason it's hard for a lot of people to understand this. I tend to think it's because they can't imagine that Stoicism really asserts this, and the modern stoics do try to downplay it. But i think you're exactly right, and once this is called out most of this "Epicurus and the Stoics are so similar!" attitude evaporates.