

Epicurean substitute for prayer

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Okay, so here is draft 2, composed in the light of day. I tried to pay more attention to the syllable structure and alliteration and a little rhyme:

Blissful gods I do not fear,

free from care and woe.

Destined death bears not a threat,

think not rod nor gift.

Pleasant feeling is the good,

easy to procure.

Terror comes from pain and grief,

but I can endure.

EDIT: Okay, final revision (LOL) with more attention to syllable structure and formal alliteration, etc. I can almost guarantee this won't be the last one... but I'll stop hijacking the thread!

Blissful gods I do not fear,

free from care and woe.

Destined death, devoid of risk,

removes rod and reward.

Pleasant feeling is the good,

gained by nature's ease.

Dreadful pain disturbs my peace,

but I can endure.

Note: I have purposefully "almost" alliterated "peace" and "but" (same articulation, but one voiced one unvoiced). I also just realized ease and peace are almost rhymes with the same voiced/unvoiced pair. That was accidental but ... hmm...