

(Mis)Quoting Epicurus--An Analysis of Language in Epictetus

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For contrast...

[Quote from Epictetus, Discourses 3.3](#)

In this manner ought every one chiefly to train himself. When you go out in the morning, examine whomsoever you see or hear; and answer as if to a question. What have you seen? A handsome person. Apply the rule. Is this a thing controllable by Will or uncontrollable? Uncontrollable. Then discard it. What have you seen? One in agony for the death of a child. Apply the rule. Death is inevitable. Banish this despair, then.

This is an interesting dialogue in Epictetus, too:

[Epictetus, Discourses, book 3, Concerning a certain governor who was an epicurean.](#)