

# What Are The Possible Reasons (And Of These, The Most Likely) Why The List of 40 Principal Doctrines Does Not Feature A Statement Explicitly Stating Pleasure To Be The Goal of Life?


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Principal Doctrine 1

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Τὸ μακάριον καὶ ἄφθαρτον οὔτε αὐτὸ πράγματα ἔχει οὔτε ἄλλῳ παρέχει, ὥστε  
That which is blessed and indestructible neither → → has (any) [trouble itself] nor → does it cause (trouble) [for anyone else] so that

οὔτε ὀργαῖς οὔτε χάρισι συνέχεται· ἐν ἀσθενεῖ γὰρ πᾶν τὸ τοιοῦτον.   
[it has no part] either in anger or in favors → → → because all → such (things are only for) [the weak]

[Don](#), as our resident Greek expert, what is your assessment of the possibility that [PD01](#) is not a reference to the gods alone, but is intended to be a reference to the best life for humans as well as gods, and thus serves as a reference to pleasure (the opposite of pain as stated in PDO3) being the goal?