

Episode 176 - "Epicurus And His Philosophy" Part 28

- Chapter 12 - The New Hedonism 05

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[Quote from Cassius](#)

"the happy life cannot mount the scaffold to the wheel"

I've given that some extra thought. Joshua also helped me understand this during the recording. I'll admit it's still a little obscure. Here's my summary so far:

- It is in response to the idea that the "The wise one will have a sense of fulfillment (eudaimonia) even on the rack."
- The "mount" is not "attach" but rather "climb a set of steps" as in to mount a horse.
- One mounts the steps to the scaffold to be hung.
- The torture wheel is not up a set of stairs so you don't climb stairs to the wheel.
- Joshua also brought up that maybe you have to willingly walk up steps but can be dragged to the wheel and strapped to it.

Like I said, still obscure, but like Cassius I wanted to preserve our thoughts.

PS. LOL... Or maybe it does mean you can't attach two torture devices together and still be happy. I really don't know! 😊