

Episode 203 - Cicero's On Ends - Book Two - Part 11 - Do The Senses Have Jurisdiction To Pronounce On The Supreme Good?

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The "feelings" of pleasure and pain are πάθη (pathē).

The "senses", perceptions, sense-perceptions, sensations (including mental perceptions) are αἴσθησις (aisthēsis).

Two different words, two different connotations.

We can't decide whether something is pleasurable or painful. It's immediate, pre-rational.

αἴσθησις is also the word used in PD2. It also can refer to "consciousness" in general.