

# What If Anything Has Changed About Human Nature In the Last 2000 Years?

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## [Quote from Don](#)

Since this is an Epicurean philosophy forum, I thought it might be helpful look at whether your interpretations of those words line up with Epicurus's interpretation of those words. Here one the relevant passage from Diogenes Laertius, The Live of the Eminent Philosophers, Book 10.31-34:

What a wonderful group you are! Thanks [Don](#) for the perspective. While there are interesting discussions derived, perhaps it is best to just appreciate how very insightful those elders were! (At least for the moment.)

Once again, it is certainly not my intent to detour any of the agendas extant in this wonderful and scholarly group. So, rather than directly respond to the wonderful quote, let me just ask a question: given that the wisdom of the sages has been known for 2000+ years, and that in spite of this we still find ourselves in this era of rancorous divisions, rampant drug addiction, and philosophical dissolution, what do you scholars think is the path forward?

Perhaps because of my background treating serious illness, I am very interested in practical responses to difficult situations. I make a diagnosis. I understand the patient with the diagnosis. Then the patient and I seek to determine an appropriate course of therapy. So, how would you, [Don](#) or any others, diagnose the current situation? How would you understand "the patient"? How would you determine an appropriate course of treatment that the patient can accept and manage?