

The dangers of dialectical logic

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I think he misses the subtleties of Epicurus' language:

From the letter to Pythocles; "The size of the sun is *to us* what it appears to be, and in reality it is either greater or less or the same size."

"Death is nothing *to us*; for what has disintegrated is without perception, and what is without perception is nothing to us."

It is not principally a question of harm, but of experience. And just like with the size of the sun, a different perspective yields a different perception. The death of a child is a horror to his mother, because the mother still exists as a subject whose experience is modified by predicates. The child? No subject; therefore no predicate.