

# **Please, no dogmatism, no absolute truths**

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Good point! I did not think about this.

But is not the ability to distinguish pleasure and pain the second faculty of Epicurus' "tripod of truth"? This would suggest that Epicurus assumed that pain and pleasure are more or less the same for all humans.

But I understand that people have indeed different desires that make them happy, but it is probably such a specific issue that only affects one individual without the need to achieve an agreement with others. Agreements are only necessary, when we make a common effort to understand the world (science) or need to establish a social contract to coexist without violence. The question whether to have a pizza or a steak for dinner does not really require a debate. Each individual can decide this for himself.