

Episode 269 - By Pleasure We Mean The Absence of Pain (All Experience That Is Not Painful)

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Why should someone hold pleasure for evil ?

Some do it as Torquatus said because they do not know how to pursue pleasure intelligently.

But there are large numbers of people who are by disposition or training (mostly training) who think that asceticism is preferable, because they hate the world and life in it. The Epicureans may not have had much experience in confronting large numbers of those people, or more likely the Epicureans were being charitable by not focusing on them, but this latter is by far the more dangerous group,