

April 7, 2025 - First Monday Epicurean Philosophy Zoom - Agenda

Post by "Kalosyni" of April 8, 2025 at 7:30 AM

Thank you to everyone who attended last night's Zoom. I found it to be a very interesting discussion last night, and still thinking about some aspects of it (especially the discussion between [AxA](#) and [TauPhi](#)).

Without a god which gave moral mandates as absolutes, then we see that moral precepts are a product of humans living together with other humans and desiring to find safety, trust, and peace, rather than creating fear, distrust, anger and perpetual violence. So we as groups of humans living in community can then come up with a set of actions which result in better living conditions, and from these we create laws of justice, and then these laws must also be backed up by an honest judicial system to justly punish those who break the laws. (The punish aspect is also a protective aspect).

For any further discussion on the specific Delphic maxims, there is an earlier thread that we can use:

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[Delphic Maxims from an Epicurean Perspective](#)

Thought about this on my morning walk today. The three maxims said to have been inscribed on the temple of the Oracle at Delphi are probably most well known through Socrates emphasis of "know thyself." But there were three inscriptions plus 147 maxims ascribed to the Seven Sages. For a summary, check out the Wikipedia article:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delphic_maxims?wprov=sfla1

What got me on my walk was thinking about the first maxim, then that led to thinking about the others.

My question...



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