

Episode 298 - TD26 - Facts And Feelings In Epicurean Philosophy - Part 1"

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But I've never liked the static or rest analogies. Off the top of my head, I'd be more readily drawn to a clear blue sky, free of clouds, and the night sky awash with various stars, planets, the moon. Still workshopping this

I agree that eventually the goal is to state specific examples of the type of pleasure that is meant. And I think the examples you are giving are correct. But I'm concerned that you and I reach the same conclusions but only after years of looking at the question, and I think that it would be desirable to put some meat on the bones of "katastematic" that would make that journey easier for people who first approach the question. Right now we might as well call it 'abracadabra pleasure' or "gibberish pleasura" instead of katastematic pleasure and extremely few would be any less confused by the term. And that seems to me a large part of the reason that so many are getting away with describing katastematic pleasure as the "real pleasure" that is what Epicurus was really after, instead of only one slice of a larger pie that constitutes the full meaning of "pleasure."