

Latest Thoughts On Natural and Necessary Classification of Desires - Adding A FAQ entry

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Tonight we had a spirited discussion on several options for interpreting this doctrine. I see that we don't have FAQ entry on this and now would be good time to construct one.

We clearly have some divergent opinions on how to interpret this one so I'll prepare a FAQ entry listing the various contenders for most likely interpretation.

If you have current thoughts on how to distill this doctrine down into a succinct form that provides reasonably clear guidance to a new reader, please post in this thread and I'll update the FAQ as we go forward.

Everyone pretty much asks the same question, something like this:

How do I know what desires fall into the various categories of natural and necessary desires, and are there hard and fast rules about how to apply the resulting categorization of a particular desire I am considering?"