

Welcome Max Duboff

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[Don](#) what you said in that older thread seems generally right to me--thanks for mentioning it here. I especially agree with the point that tranquility is a pleasure, among other pleasures, but which is more worthy of pursuit, and other pleasures are added to a blessed life on top of it.

I might disagree about exactly how much ataraxia is under our control--it's quite unclear, I'd say. Clearly there are some sources saying we can have it under many different circumstances; but PD 4 seems to imply that fatal pains might be pretty rough for a short time, and there's the evidence in DL 10 that not all circumstances can lead to a good life.