

Discussion of the Society of Epicurus' 20 Tenets of 12/21/19

Post by “Elayne” of December 30, 2019 at 11:57 AM

Hiram, I can understand your assertion that what you are saying is Epicurean, if it turns out Epicurus was not a realist after all, or if you are defining that as being what people who have called themselves Epicureans have said.

If neither one of us had ever read Epicurus, though, our baseline philosophies are different.

When you say "perfect person", what do you mean? What standard are you using? If it is not subjective pleasure, then it has to be something else, and what is that, for you? Based on your other writing, I assumed it was tied to some unfailing demonstration of a golden rule of some kind, which is idealist, assuming everyone agrees on how they want to be treated, rather than based on subjective experience.

But perhaps I have put words in your mouth. Can you tell me what you mean by perfect person without referring to any ideas you can't show me with perceptual examples? How do you define that?