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Epicurus (Epikouros) (born Samos 341 BCdied Athens, 270 BC) was an Ancient Greek philosopher who was the founder of Epicureanism, one of the most popular schools of Hellenistic Philosophy.

A free life cannot acquire many possessions, because this is not easy to do without servility to mobs or monarchs...

-Epicurus

The time when most of you should withdraw into yourself is when you are forced to be in a crowd.

-Epicurus

Misfortune seldom intrudes upon the wise man; his greatest and highest interests are directed by reason throughout the course of life.

-Epicurus

I have never wished to cater to the crowd; for what I know they do not approve, and what they approve I do not know.

-Epicurus

Skillful pilots gain their reputation from storms and tempest.

-Epicurus

There is no such thing as justice in the abstract; it is merely a compact between men

-Epicurus

It is impossible to live a pleasant life without living wisely and well and justly. And it is impossible to live wisely and well and justly without living a pleasant life.

-Epicurus

If thou wilt make a man happy, add not unto his riches but take away from his desires.

-Epicurus

Do not spoil what you have by desiring what you have not; but remember that what you now have was once among the things you only hoped for.

-Epicurus

We do not so much need the help of our friends as the confidence of their help in need.

-Epicurus

Of all things which wisdom provides to make life entirely happy, much the greatest is the possession of friendship.

-Epicurus

I never desired to please the rabble. What pleased them, I did not learn; and what I knew was far removed from their understanding.

-Epicurus

It is possible to provide security against other ills, but as far as death is concerned, we men all live in a city without walls.

-Epicurus

The art of living well and the art of dying well are one.

-Epicurus

Nothing is enough for the man to whom enough is too little.

-Epicurus

Is God willing to prevent evil, but not able? Then he is not omnipotent. Is he able, but not willing? Then he is malevolent. Is he both able and willing? Then whence cometh evil? Is he neither able nor willing? Then why call him God?

-Epicurus



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