



WISDOM OF ANCIENT GREECE:

The Maxims of Delphi, and the Quotations of the Seven Sages

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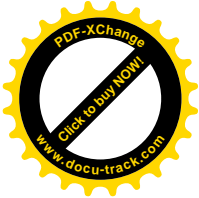


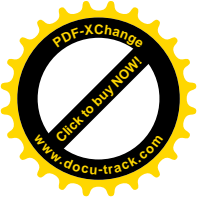
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THE SEVEN WISE MEN



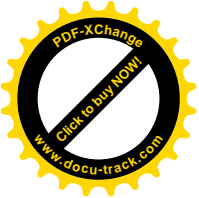
A mosaic (3rd Century, ancient Corinth, Greece) showing the muse Kalliope, Socarates, and the seven sages: Solon, Thales, Cleovoulos, Periandros, Pittacos, Bias, and Chilon.



DEDICATIONS

This book is dedicated:

To the glory of Ancient Greece,
And to my blue-eyed,
lovely grand-daughter,
and princess of my life, Melina.



PREFACE

This book contains a set of wisdom pieces of ancient Greece, in terms of maxims and quotations of the seven sages of ancient Greece.

The seven sages were Thales, Pittacos, Bias, Solon, Cleovoulos, Periandros, and Chilon. They lived in ancient Greece over 600 years B.C. and before the advent of the classical Greek philosophers, like Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, etc.

Their maxims and quotations set the background for the development of the classical Greek philosophy.

This book contains 2 chapters and two appendices:

Chapter 1: The maxims of the Oracle of Delphi,

Chapter 2: The quotations of the seven sages of ancient Greece,

Appendix A: The maxims of the Oracle of Delphi, in ancient Greek and in English.

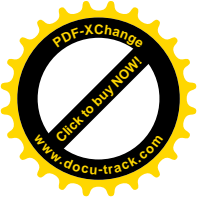
Appendix B: The quotations of the seven sages, in ancient Greek and in English.

The purpose of this book is to offer any reader a very simple guide into the wisdom of ancient Greece, and possibly allow him or her to gain some better understanding of this very old wisdom, and therefore see with their own 'eyes' and soul how these can help them in their every-day life..

The translation of the maxims and quotations into English were done by the author on the basis of the original texts in both ancient Greek and modern Greek.

I am responsible for any errors and omissions in the translation, hoping that the reader will excuse me in this very difficult and demanding task.

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CHAPTER 1: THE MAXIMS OF DELPHI

*'O quanta qualia sunt illa sabbata,
Quae semper celebrat superna curia'.*

*'O what their joy and their glory must be,
Those endless Sabbaths the blessed one see!'*

*Peter Abelard, 1079-1142
'Hymnus Paraclitensis'*

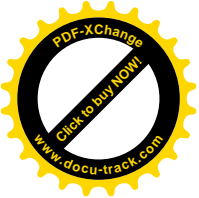
The maxims of the Oracle at Delphi were made up of very brief quotations (two to five words) full of wisdom and moral values. The subject matter they deal with varies from religious faith, to obedience to law, how to treat friends, how to behave in a just manner, education, country, way of life, happiness, etc.

These maxims were inscribed in the frontal columns at the temple of the god Apollo, at the Oracle of Delphi. They were copied on single marble tablets and were transported to all parts of the Ancient Greek World, as the writing on paper or on parchment was not known at the time.

Most of them have been attributed to the seven sages of Ancient Greece: Thales, Pittacos, Bias, Solon, Cleovoulos, Periandros, and Chilon. A short life history of each sage is included in Chapter 2, along with their own quotations.

The maxims of Delphi, translated into English, are presented next. These maxims, in the original ancient Greek and their English translation, are included in the appendix.

1. Follow God.
2. Obey the law.
3. Worship God.
4. Respect your parents.
5. Be overcome by justice.
6. Base your knowledge on learning.
7. Understand after you have heard what has occurred.
8. Know yourself.



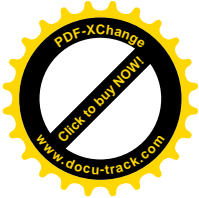
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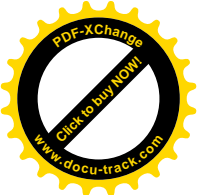
9. Intend to get married.
10. Take care to know the right opportunity.
11. Think as a mortal.
12. Act as if you are a stranger.
13. Honor your family.
14. Control yourself.
15. Help your friends.
16. Control your anger.
17. Exercise prudence.
18. Honor divine providence.
19. Do not use an oath.
20. Love friendship.
21. Concentrate on education.
22. Pursue honor.
23. Seek wisdom.
24. Praise the good.
25. Do not accuse anyone.
26. Praise virtue.
27. Practice what is just.
28. Be benevolent to your friends.
29. Guard yourself against your enemies.
30. Exercise nobility of character.
31. Shun evil.
32. Be interested in public affairs.
33. Guard what is yours.



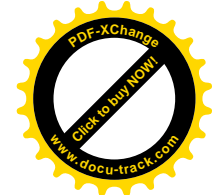
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34. Shun what belongs to others.
35. Listen to everyone.
36. Be religiously silent.
37. Do favors for your friends.
38. Nothing to excess.
39. Use time in an economical way.
40. Look toward the future.
41. Hate violent and offensive behavior.
42. Respect those who have taken refuge in holy temples.
43. Be accommodated to all.
44. Educate your sons.
45. When you have, give freely.
46. Fear deceit.
47. Praise everyone.
48. Be a seeker of wisdom.
49. Judge according to divine law.
50. Think first, act later.
51. Shun murder.
52. Wish for things possible.
53. Associate with the wise.
54. Test the character of a person.
55. Give back what you have received.
56. Do not suspect anyone.
57. Exercise knowledge and skills in profession, trade or science.
58. Give what you mean to give.



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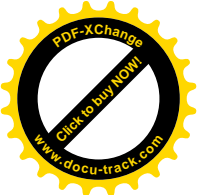
59. Honor good deeds.
60. Be jealous of no one.
61. Be on your guard.
62. Praise hope.
63. Hate a false accusation.
64. Gain possessions justly.
65. Honor good men.
66. Know the person who judges.
67. Submit to married life.
68. Believe in good luck.
69. Do not sign a guarantee when obtaining a loan.
70. Speak plainly.
71. Associate with your peers.
72. Govern your expenses.
73. Be happy with what you have.
74. Revere a sense of shame.
75. Fulfill a favor.
76. Pray for happiness.
77. Be fond of fortune.
78. Observe what you have heard.
79. Work for what you can own.
80. Despise strife.
81. Detest disgrace.
82. Restrain your tongue.
83. Guard against violent and offensive behavior.



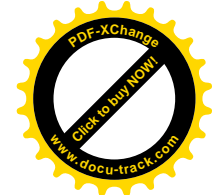
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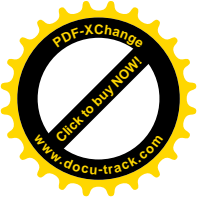
84. Judge in a just way.
85. Use what you have.
86. Judge without accepting gifts.
87. Accuse someone (only) when he is present.
88. Speak (only) when you know.
89. Do not behave in a violent way.
90. Live without sorrow.
91. Behave with gentleness to others.
92. Complete your activities without fear and without shrinking back.
93. Treat everyone with kindness and friendship.
94. Do not curse your sons.
95. Govern your wife.
96. Benefit yourself.
97. Behave with a friendly and courteous manner.
98. Respond in a timely way.
99. Struggle without losing your good reputation.
100. Act without repenting.
101. When you err, repent.
102. Control your eyes.
103. Think without time limits.
104. Act quickly.
105. Guard friendship.
106. Be grateful.
107. Pursue harmonic co-existence.
108. Do not reveal entrusted secrets.



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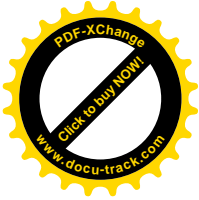
109. Fear ruling.
110. Pursue what is profitable.
111. Accept opportunity with pleasure.
112. Do away with enmities.
113. Accept old age.
114. Do not boast about your physical strength.
115. Your words should be words of kindness and respect.
116. Flee enmity.
117. Acquire wealth in a just way.
118. Do not abandon what you have decided to do.
119. Despise evil.
120. Venture into danger with prudence.
121. Do not get tired of learning.
122. Do not leave things undone due to thrift.
123. Admire the oracular responses (i.e. the responses of the holy men or women to questions put to them by anyone).
124. Love the people you feed.
125. Do not oppose somebody absent.
126. Respect the elders.
127. Teach the young.
128. Do not trust wealth.
129. Respect yourself.
130. Do not use insolence to govern.
131. Honor your ancestors by placing flower wreaths on their tombs.
132. Die for your country.
133. Do not be discontented by life.



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- 134. Do not make fun of the dead.
- 135. Sympathize with the unlucky.
- 136. Gratify without harming.
- 137. Grieve for none.
- 138. Beget children from noble ancestry.
- 139. Make promises to no one
- 140. Do not wrong the dead.
- 141. Be well off as a mortal.
- 142. Do not trust fortune.
- 143. As a child, be well behaved.
- 144. As a teenager, control yourself.
- 145. As middle-age, be just.
- 146. As an old man, be sensible.
- 147. On reaching the end, be without sorrow.



CHAPTER 2: THE QUOTATIONS OF THE SEVEN SAGES OF ANCIENT GREECE

'I shall quote quickly, the name, the birth-place and one quotation of each of the seven sages:

Cleovoulos from Lindos said that 'The measure (limit, analogy) in all things is the best'.

Chilon from Sparta 'Know yourself',

Periandros from Corinth 'You must hold your temper'.

Pittacos from Mytilene 'Do not exaggerate in anything'.

Solon from Athens 'You must always plan for the end of your life'.

'Most people are bad' said Bias from Priene, and

'Avoid giving guarantees for a loan' said Thales from Miletus'.

Anthologia Graeca, Volume 4, by Griedericus Jacobs.

This chapter contains the quotations of the seven sages of ancient Greece. These sages were: Thales, Pittacos, Bias, Solon, Cleovoulos, Periandros, and Chilon. A short life history of each sage is included in each paragraph along with their own quotations.

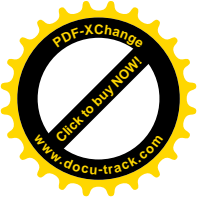
Their quotations, translated into English, are presented next. These quotations, in the original ancient Greek and their English translation, are included in the appendix.

2.1. Quotations of Cleovoulos

Cleovoulos was the son of Evagoras. He was born in Lindos, on the island of Rodos. He lived in the sixth century B.C., and he was the ruler of Lindos. He was considered as one of the seven sages (wise men) of Ancient Greece.

The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

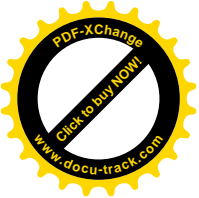
1. The measure (limit, analogy) in all things is the best.
2. Respect your father.
3. Maintain your body and mind in good order.



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4. Like to listen and not to say too much.
5. It is best to know many things than to be ignorant.
6. You should only speak in respectful terms.
7. Be a fiend to virtue, and a stranger to vice.
8. Hate injustice.
9. Be always respectful.
10. To your co-citizens always advise the best.
11. Master pleasure.
12. Never do anything with violence.
13. Educate your children.
14. Pray to fortune.
15. Destroy enmities.
16. Consider as your enemy the enemy of the people.
17. Do not fight with your wife and do not behave with arrogance in front of others. The first shows mainly stupidity, while the second may make others consider you to be a crazy man.
18. Do not punish drunk slaves otherwise you will too seem to be drunk.
19. Marry from your own social level because if the wife (or husband) is from a higher social level, you will acquire bosses, not relatives.
20. Do not laugh aloud when a man mocks others, because you will draw upon your self the hate of those who are been mocked.
21. If you are rich, do not feel proud. If you are poor, do not feel meek.
22. We must gratify our friend so that he/she becomes friendlier to us and we must also gratify our enemy so that he/she becomes our friend.



2.2. Quotations of Solon

Solon was the son of Exikestidis. He was born in Salamis. He lived in Athens in the sixth century B.C. (ca. 640-560 B.C.), and he was a law-maker, political reformer and a poet. He was considered as one of the seven sages (wise men) of Ancient Greece.

The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

1. Never exaggerate.
2. Do not take the position of a judge, as in this case you will be hated by the condemned.
3. Avoid pleasure and joy that creates pain (physical or psychic)
4. Keep the politeness and goodness of your character more faithful than your oath.
5. Seal up your words with silence, and your silence with the right timing.
6. Do not lie but tell the truth.
7. Involve yourself with the serious and worthy things.
8. Do not claim to be more just than your parents.
9. Do not acquire friends quickly. When, however, you acquire them, do not reject them quickly.
10. Only when you learn how to be governed, you will know how to govern.
11. If you ask others to justify their action, be eager to also do the same (justify your actions).
12. Your advice should not be for the pleasurable, but for the best (or noblest).
13. Do not be insolent towards your co-citizens.
14. Do not associate with bad people.
15. Do have relationships with Gods.
16. Respect your friends.
17. If you don't see something, keep silent.



18. Even if you know, keep silent.
19. Be kind to your own people.
20. On the basis of the significant draw conclusions on the not significant.
21. If you want enemies, make sure that you seem better than your friends, but if you want friends, let them seem better than you.
22. Great riches do not make a happy man, but moderate property, fortune, health, good looks, satisfaction of his desires, having good children, and a peaceful death.
23. Many wicked men are rich, while virtuous men are poor. But we will not exchange the wealth of virtue with their riches. For the wealth of virtue is everlasting, whereas human riches are ever changing their owners.

2.3. Quotations of Chilon

Chilon was the son of Damagitos. He was born in Sparta. He lived in Sparta in the sixth century B.C. (born ca. 560 B.C.), and he was a law-maker, political leader and a poet. He was considered as one of the seven sages (wise men) of Ancient Greece.

The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

1. Know yourself.
2. When you drink alcohol, do not talk too much, you will make mistakes.
3. Do not offend free men, because it is not right.
4. Do not slander your neighbours, for you are likely to hear things which make you unhappy.
5. Support your friends during their unfortunate events, and do not get near them only when they are most fortunate..
6. Your wedding should be simple.
7. Bless the dead person.
8. Respect your elders.
9. Hate the person who is involved in the affairs of others.
10. Prefer loss to shameful profit. The first will make you sad only once, while the other will worry you for ever.



11. Do not laugh at the person who is unfortunate.
12. Remain calm against rugged people, so that they are ashamed rather than feared of you.
13. Govern and protect your family.
14. Do not allow your tongue to run ahead of your intellect.
15. Control your anger.
16. Do not desire things that cannot be acquired.
17. Do not try to overpass people on the road nor make all kinds of hand gestures, this is done by the crazy people.
18. Obey law.
19. When they are unjust to you, be willing to reconcile, when they insult you, do not seek revenge.

2.4. Quotations of Thales

Thales was the son of Examyas and Cleovoulina. He was born in the Ancient Greek City of Militos, in Ionia, in Asia Minor. He lived in Militos in the sixth century B.C. (ca. 624-546 B.C.), and he was a scientist, a philosopher, and the founder of the Ionian school of natural philosophy. He was considered as one of the seven sages (wise men) of Ancient Greece.

The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

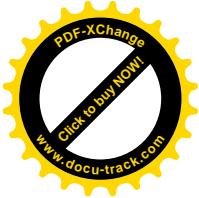
1. Do not give guarantees (on loans) as the misfortune is nearby.
2. Remember your friends, both, when they are near you, as well as when they are far away.



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3. Do not beautify your external appearance, but you should look to become good in your behavior.
4. Do not get rich in a bad way.
5. Do not allow false accusations to influence you against persons that have earned your trust.
6. Do not get tired in flattering and speaking well to your parents.
7. Do not accept bad things.
8. Whatever care you provide for your parents, the same you should expect to receive when you reach old age, by your children.
9. The correct judgment (or opinion) is a difficult thing.
10. The achievement of something desirable is a very pleasurable thing.
11. Laziness is an ill-pleased thing.
12. No being able to control yourself is a hurtful thing.
13. Ignorance is a painful thing.
14. Teach and learn the best.
15. Do not be lazy, even if you are rich.
16. Hide bad things in your home.
17. It is better if they hate you than if they feel sorrow for you.
18. Regulate your life according to a standard.
19. Do not trust all people.
20. When you rule as a chief, you should adorn yourself.



2.5. Quotations of Pittacos

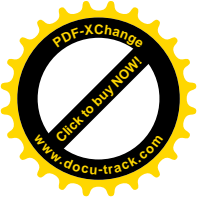
Pittacos was the son of Yrradios. He was born in Mytilini on the Greek island of Lesbos. He lived in Mytilini in the sixth century B.C. (ca. 650-570 B.C.), and he was a political and military leader. He was considered as one of the seven sages (wise men) of Ancient Greece.

The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

1. Learn to judge the right moment
2. Don't say what you intend to do, because if you don't succeed, everyone will laugh at you
3. Listen to your friends
4. Don't do yourself, what you don't like in others
5. Don't blame someone who is being unfortunate. These are things that provoke the anger and punishment by Gods
6. Return goods that have been entrusted to you
7. Show tolerance to small damages inflicted upon you by your neighbors
8. Don't slander your friend, nor praise your enemy because such a thing is unreasonable.
9. It is difficult to foresee the future what has already happened is the only certain thing.
10. Land is trustworthy, while sea is untrustworthy.
11. Profit is greedy
12. Acquire what is not destroyed by time: piety, education, prudence, thoughtful mind, truth, belief, expense, skills and dexterities, co-operation, care, effective management, professional knowledge.

2.6. Quotations of Bias

Bias was the son of Tevtamos. He was born in Priene, an Ancient Greek City in Ionia, north of Militos, in Asia Minor. He lived in Priene in the sixth century B.C. (ca. 625-



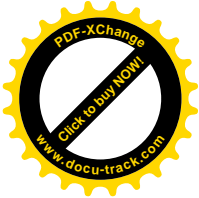
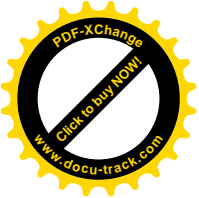
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540 B.C.). He was considered as one of the seven sages (wise men) of Ancient Greece.

The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

1. Most people are bad people.
2. Look into your mirror, and if you look nice, you must do nice things if, however, you look ugly, you must correct your physical deficiency with politeness and goodness.
3. Do not be in a hurry to undertake something. When, however, you start, stay fixed to that until the end.
4. Hate to talk in haste as there is the fear of making mistakes, in which case, asking for forgiveness follows.
5. Do not be a naïve benevolent man, not a malicious man.
6. Do not accept thoughtlessness.
7. Love practical wisdom.
8. You should state that Gods exist.
9. Understand what has been achieved.
10. Listen to everything.
11. Speak at the exact moment that is most appropriate.
12. If you are poor, do not accuse the rich, unless you benefit much everyone.
13. Do not praise the rich man, if he has no values.
14. Take with persuasion, not with violence.
15. Thank Gods for whatever good comes your way, not yourself.
16. Pursue the means, while young, for a plentiful life, and wisdom, when you reach old age.
17. You will be remembered well by your good deeds, you will become more pious with the passing of time, you will be more brave, with your behaviour, you will be more self-controlled, by working hard, you will have more respect, by instilling fear, you will have more friends, by becoming richer, you will be more persuasive, by exercising reason, you will be looking better, by using silence,



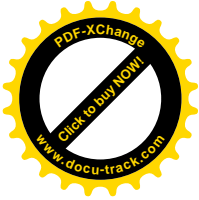
you will be more just, by using intellect,
you will be more courageous, by showing valour,
you will be more powerful, by your achievements,
you will attain authority, by your good name.

2.7. Quotations of Periandros

Periandros was the son of Kypselos. He was born in Corinth. He lived in Corinth in the sixth century B.C. (ca. 627-587 B.C.), and he was its ruler. He was considered as one of the seven sages (wise men) of Ancient Greece.

The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

1. Exercising is the best thing
2. To be quiet is a nice thing, to be arrogant and abusive, a dangerous one
3. Profit is shameful
4. Democracy is better than the power of tyrant
5. Mischievous pleasures are mortal, while virtues are immortal
6. When you are happy, be modest, when you are unhappy, be sensible
7. If one is to live in a thrifty manner, it is best to die rather than live in need.
8. Take care to make yourself worthy of your parents
9. While you live, they should praise you when you die, then should speak well for you
10. Treat your friends the same way, and in their good times, and in their misfortunes
11. Bypass whoever you personally feel as bad
12. Do not share with others secrets entrusted to you.
13. Abuse the other person on the basis that you will quickly become his friend
14. Your laws should be old, your dinners fresh
15. Do not be happy by punishing those who commit errors, but you should also hinder those who are willing to commit them
16. Hide your misfortune, so that you do not give joy to your enemies



APPENDIX A: THE MAXIMS OF DELPHI IN ANCIENT GREEK AND ENGLISH

'Man is the measure of all things'

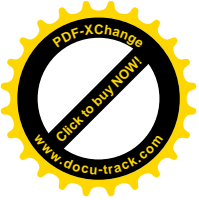
Protagoras, circa 481-411 B.C.

These maxims (capitals in Ancient Greek and the translation equivalent in English) are the following:

1. ΕΠΟΥ ΘΕΩ. Follow God
2. ΝΟΜΩ ΠΕΙΘΟΥ. Obey the law
3. ΘΕΟΥ ΣΕΒΟΥ. Worship God
4. ΓΟΝΕΙΣ ΑΙΔΟΥ. Respect your parents
5. ΗΤΤΩ ΥΠΟ ΔΙΚΑΙΟΥ. Be overcome by justice
6. ΓΝΩΘΙ ΜΑΘΩΝ. Base your knowledge on learning
7. ΑΚΟΥΑΣ ΝΟΕΙ. Understand after you have heard what has occurred
8. ΣΑΥΤΟΝ ΙΣΘΙ. Know yourself
9. ΓΑΜΕΙΝ ΜΕΛΛΕ. Intend to get married
10. ΚΑΙΡΟΝ ΓΝΩΘΙ. Take care to know the right opportunity
11. ΦΡΟΝΕΙ ΘΝΗΤΑ. Think as a mortal
12. ΞΕΝΟΣ ΩΝ ΙΣΘΙ. Act as if you are a stranger
13. ΕΣΤΙΑΝ ΤΙΜΑ. Honor your family
14. ΑΡΧΕ ΣΕΑΥΤΟΥ. Control yourself
15. ΦΙΛΟΙΣ ΒΟΗΘΕΙ. Help your friends
16. ΘΥΜΟΥ ΚΡΑΤΕΙ. Control your anger
17. ΦΡΟΝΗΣΙΝ ΑΣΚΕΙ. Exercise prudence



18. ΠΡΟΝΟΙΑΝ ΤΙΜΑ. Honor divine providence
19. ΟΡΚΩ ΜΗ ΧΡΩ. Do not use an oath
20. ΦΙΛΙΑΝ ΑΓΑΠΑ. Love friendship
21. ΠΑΙΔΕΙΑΣ ΑΝΤΕΧΟΥ. Concentrate on education
22. ΔΟΞΑΝ ΔΙΩΚΕ. Pursue honor
23. ΣΟΦΙΑΝ ΖΗΛΟΥ. Seek wisdom
24. ΚΑΛΟΝ ΕΥ ΛΕΓΕ. Praise the good
25. ΨΕΓΕ ΜΗΔΕΝΑ. Do not accuse anyone
26. ΕΠΑΙΝΕΙ ΑΡΕΤΗΝ. Praise virtue
27. ΠΡΑΤΤΕ ΔΙΚΑΙΑ. Practice what is just
28. ΦΙΛΟΙΣ ΕΥΝΟΕΙ. Be benevolent to your friends
29. ΕΧΘΡΟΥΣ ΑΜΥΝΟΥ. Guard yourself against your enemies
30. ΕΥΤΕΝΕΙΑΝ ΑΣΚΕΙ. Exercise nobility of character
31. ΚΑΚΙΑΣ ΑΠΕΧΟΥ. Shun evil
32. ΚΟΙΝΟΣ ΓΙΝΟΥ. Be interested in public affairs
33. ΙΔΙΑ ΦΥΛΑΤΤΕ. Guard what is yours
34. ΑΛΛΟΤΡΙΩΝ ΑΠΕΧΟΥ. Shun what belongs to others
35. ΑΚΟΥΕ ΠΑΝΤΑ. Listen to everyone
36. ΕΥΦΗΜΟΣ ΙΣΘΙ. Be religiously silent
37. ΦΙΛΩΝ ΧΑΡΙΖΟΥ. Do favors for your friends
38. ΜΗΔΕΝ ΑΓΑΝ. Nothing to excess
39. ΧΡΟΝΟΥ ΦΕΙΔΟΥ. Use time in an economical way
40. ΟΡΑ ΤΟ ΜΕΛΛΟΝ. Look toward the future
41. ΥΒΡΙΝ ΜΙΣΕΙ. Hate violent and offensive behavior
42. ΙΚΕΤΑΣ ΑΙΔΟΥ. Respect those who have taken refuge in holy temples



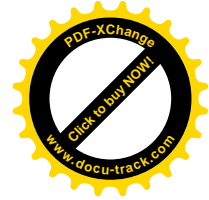
43. ΠΑΣΙΝ ΑΡΜΟΖΟΥ. Be accommodated to all
44. ΥΙΟΥΣ ΠΑΙΔΕΥΕ. Educate your sons
45. ΕΧΩΝ ΧΑΡΙΖΟΥ. When you have, give freely
46. ΔΟΛΟΝ ΦΟΒΟΥ. Fear deceit
47. ΕΥΛΟΓΕΙ ΠΑΝΤΑΣ. Praise everyone
48. ΦΙΛΟΣΟΦΟΣ ΓΙΝΟΥ. Be a seeker of wisdom
49. ΟΣΙΑ ΚΡΙΝΕ. Judge according to divine law
50. ΓΝΟΥΣ ΠΡΑΤΤΕ. Think first, act later
51. ΦΟΝΟΥ ΑΠΕΧΟΥ. Shun murder
52. ΕΥΧΟΥ ΔΥΝΑΤΑ. Wish for things possible
53. ΣΟΦΟΙΣ ΧΡΩ. Associate with the wise
54. ΗΘΟΣ ΔΟΚΙΜΑΖΕ. Test the character of a person
55. ΛΑΒΩΝ ΑΠΟΔΟΣ. Give back what you have received
56. ΥΦΟΡΩ ΜΗΔΕΝΑ. Do not suspect anyone
57. ΤΕΧΝΗ ΧΡΩ. Exercise knowledge and skills in profession, trade or science
58. Ο ΜΕΛΛΕΙΣ ΔΟΣ. Give what you mean to give
59. ΕΥΕΡΓΕΣΙΑΣ ΤΙΜΑ. Honor good deeds
60. ΦΘΟΝΕΙ ΜΗΔΕΝΙ. Be jealous of no one
61. ΦΥΛΑΚΗ ΠΡΟΣΕΧΕ. Be on your guard
62. ΕΛΠΙΔΑ ΑΙΝΕΙ. Praise hope
63. ΔΙΑΒΟΛΗΝ ΜΙΣΕΙ. Hate a false accusation
64. ΔΙΚΑΙΩΣ ΚΤΩ. Gain possessions justly
65. ΑΓΑΘΟΥΣ ΤΙΜΑ. Honour good men
66. ΚΡΙΤΗΝ ΓΝΩΘΙ. Know the person who judges
67. ΓΑΜΟΥΣ ΚΡΑΤΕΙ. Submit to married life



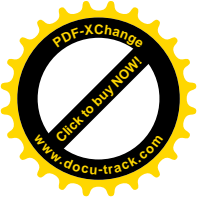
68. ΤΥΧΗΝ ΝΟΜΙΖΕ. Believe in good luck
69. ΕΓΓΥΗΝ ΦΕΥΓΕ. Do not sign a guarantee when obtaining a loan
70. ΑΠΛΩΣ ΔΙΑΛΕΓΟΥ. Speak plainly
71. ΟΜΟΙΟΙΣ ΧΡΩ. Associate with your peers
72. ΔΑΠΑΝΩΝ ΑΡΧΟΥ. Govern your expenses
73. ΚΤΩΜΕΝΟΣ ΗΛΟΥ. Be happy with what you have
74. ΑΙΣΧΥΝΗΝ ΣΕΒΟΥ. Revere a sense of shame
75. ΧΑΡΙΝ ΕΚΤΕΛΕΙ. Fulfill a favor
76. ΕΥΤΥΧΙΑΝ ΕΥΧΟΥ. Pray for happiness
77. ΤΥΧΗΝ ΣΤΕΡΓΕ. Be fond of fortune
78. ΑΚΟΥΟΝ ΟΡΑ. Observe what you have heard
79. ΕΡΓΑΖΟΥ ΚΤΗΤΑ. Work for what you can own
80. ΕΡΙΝ ΜΙΣΕΙ. Despise strife
81. ΟΝΕΙΔΟΣ ΕΧΘΑΙΡΕ. Detest disgrace
82. ΓΛΩΤΤΑΝ ΙΣΧΕ. Restrain your tongue
83. ΥΒΡΙΝ ΑΜΥΝΟΥ. Guard against violent and offensive behavior
84. ΚΡΙΝΕ ΔΙΚΑΙΑ. Judge in a just way
85. ΧΡΩ ΧΡΗΜΑΣΙΝ . Use what you have
86. ΑΔΩΡΟΔΟΚΗΤΟΣ ΔΙΚΑΖΕ. Judge without accepting gifts
87. ΑΙΤΙΩ ΠΑΡΟΝΤΑ. Accuse someone (only) when he is present
88. ΛΕΓΕ ΕΙΔΩΣ. Speak (only) when you know
89. ΒΙΑΣ ΜΗ ΕΧΟΥ. Do not behave in a violent way
90. ΑΛΥΠΩΣ ΒΙΟΥ. Live without sorrow
91. ΟΜΙΛΕΙ ΠΡΑΩΣ. Behave with gentleness to others



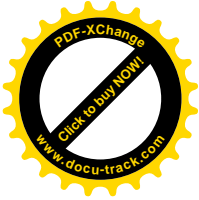
92. ΠΕΡΑΣ ΕΠΙΤΕΛΕΙ ΜΗ ΑΠΟΔΕΙΛΙΩΝ. Complete your activities without fear and without shrinking back.
93. ΦΙΛΟΦΡΟΝΕΙ ΠΑΣΙΝ. Treat everyone with kindness and friendship
94. ΥΙΟΙΣ ΜΗ ΚΑΤΑΡΩ. Do not curse your sons
95. ΓΥΝΑΙΚΟΣ ΑΡΧΕ. Govern your wife
96. ΣΕΑΥΤΟΝ ΕΥ ΠΟΙΕΙ. Benefit yourself
97. ΕΥΠΡΟΣΗΓΟΡΟΣ ΓΙΝΟΥ. Behave with a friendly and courteous manner
98. ΑΠΟΚΡΙΝΟΥ ΕΝ ΚΑΙΡΩ. Respond in a timely way
99. ΠΟΝΕΙ ΜΕΤ' ΕΥΚΛΕΙΑΣ. Struggle without losing your good reputation
100. ΠΡΑΤΤΕ ΑΜΕΤΑΝΟΗΤΩΣ. Act without repenting
101. ΑΜΑΡΤΑΝΩΝ ΜΕΤΑΝΟΕΙ. When you err, repent
102. ΟΦΘΑΛΜΟΥ ΚΡΑΤΕΙ. Control your eyes
103. ΒΟΥΛΕΥΟΥ ΧΡΟΝΩ. Think without time limits
104. ΠΡΑΤΤΕ ΣΥΝΤΟΜΩΣ. Act quickly
105. ΦΙΛΙΑΝ ΦΥΛΑΤΤΕ. Guard friendship
106. ΕΥΓΝΩΜΩΝ ΓΙΝΟΥ. Be grateful
107. ΟΜΟΝΟΙΑΝ ΔΙΩΚΕ. Pursue harmonic co-existence
108. ΑΡΡΗΤΟΝ ΚΡΥΠΤΕ. Do not reveal entrusted secrets
109. ΤΟ ΚΡΑΤΟΥΝ ΦΟΒΟΥ. Fear ruling
110. ΤΟ ΣΥΜΦΕΡΟΝ ΘΗΡΩ. Pursue what is profitable
111. ΚΑΙΡΟΝ ΠΡΟΣΔΕΧΟΥ. Accept opportunity with pleasure
112. ΕΧΘΡΑΣ ΔΙΑΛΥΕ. Do away with enmities
113. ΓΗΡΑΣ ΠΡΟΣΔΕΧΟΥ. Accept old age
114. ΕΠΙ ΡΩΜΗ ΜΗ ΚΑΥΧΩ. Do not boast about your physical strength
115. ΕΥΦΗΜΙΑΝ ΑΣΚΕΙ. Your words should be words of kindness and respect
116. ΑΠΕΧΘΕΙΑΝ ΦΕΥΓΕ. Flee enmity



117. ΠΛΟΥΤΕΙ ΔΙΚΑΙΩΣ. Acquire wealth in a just way
118. ΔΟΞΑΝ ΜΗ ΛΕΙΠΕ. Do not abandon what you have decided to do
119. ΚΑΚΙΑΝ ΜΙΣΕΙ. Despise evil
120. ΚΙΝΔΥΝΕΥΕ ΦΡΟΝΙΜΩΣ. Venture into danger with prudence
121. ΜΑΝΘΑΝΩΝ ΜΗ ΚΑΜΝΕ. Do not get tired of learning
122. ΦΕΙΔΟΜΕΝΟΣ ΜΗ ΛΕΙΠΕ. Do not leave things undone due to thrift
123. ΧΡΗΣΜΟΥΣ ΘΑΥΜΑΖΕ. Admire the oracular responses (i.e. the responses of the holy men or women to questions put to them by anyone)
124. ΟΥΣ ΤΡΕΦΕΙΣ ΑΓΑΠΑ. Love the people you feed
125. ΑΠΟΝΤΙ ΜΗ ΜΑΧΟΥ. Do not oppose somebody absent
126. ΠΡΕΣΒΥΤΕΡΟΝ ΑΙΔΟΥ. Respect the elders
127. ΝΕΩΤΕΡΟΝ ΔΙΔΑΣΚΕ. Teach the young
128. ΠΛΟΥΤΟ ΑΠΙΣΤΕΙ. Do not trust wealth
129. ΣΕΑΥΤΟΝ ΑΙΔΟΥ. Respect yourself
130. ΜΗ ΑΡΧΕ ΥΒΡΙΖΕΙΝ. Do not use insolence to govern
131. ΠΡΟΓΟΝΟΥΣ ΣΤΕΦΑΝΟΥ. Honour your ancestors by placing flower wreaths on their tombs
132. ΘΝΗΣΚΕ ΥΠΕΡ ΠΑΤΡΙΔΟΣ. Die for your country
133. ΤΩ ΒΡΩ ΜΗ ΑΧΘΟΥ. Do not be discontented by life
134. ΕΠΙ ΝΕΚΡΩ ΜΗ ΓΕΛΑ. Do not make fun of the dead
135. ΑΤΥΧΟΥΝΤΙ ΣΥΝΑΧΘΟΥ. Sympathize with the unlucky
136. ΧΑΡΙΖΟΥ ΑΒΛΑΒΩΣ. Gratify without harming
137. ΜΗ ΕΠΙ ΠΑΝΤΙ ΛΥΠΟΥ. Grieve for none
138. ΕΞ ΕΥΤΕΝΩΝ ΓΕΝΝΑ. Beget children from noble ancestry
139. ΕΠΑΓΓΕΛΟΥ ΜΗΔΕΝΙ. Make promises to no one
140. ΦΘΙΜΕΝΟΥΣ ΜΗ ΑΔΙΚΕΙ. Do not wrong the dead



141. ΕΥ ΠΑΣΧΕ ΩΣ ΘΝΗΤΟΣ. Be well off as a mortal
142. ΤΥΧΗ ΜΗ ΠΙΣΤΕΥΕ. Do not trust fortune
143. ΠΑΙΣ ΩΝ ΚΟΣΜΙΟΣ ΙΣΘΙ. As a child, be well behaved
144. ΗΒΩΝ ΕΓΚΡΑΤΗΣ. As a teenager, control yourself
145. ΜΕΣΟΣ ΔΙΚΑΙΟΣ. As middle-age, be just
146. ΠΡΕΣΒΥΤΗΣ ΕΥΛΟΓΟΣ. As an old man, be sensible
147. ΤΕΛΕΥΤΩΝ ΑΛΥΠΙΟΣ. On reaching the end, be without sorrow



APPENDIX B: THE QUOTATIONS OF THE SEVEN SAGES IN ANCIENT GREEK AND ENGLISH

'The life so short, the craft so long to learn'

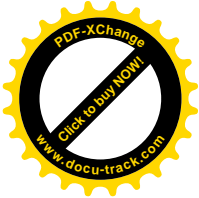
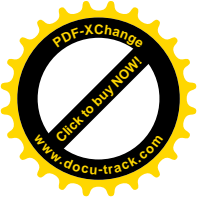
Hippocrates, circa 460-357 B.C.

These quotations (capitals in Ancient Greek and the translation equivalent in English) are the following:

B.1. Quotations of Cleovoulos

The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

1. ΜΕΤΡΟΝ ΑΡΙΣΤΟΝ. The measure (limit, analogy) in all things is the best.
2. ΠΑΤΕΡΑ ΔΕΙ ΑΙΔΕΙΣΘΑΙ. Respect your father.
3. ΕΥ ΤΟ ΣΩΜΑ ΕΧΕΙΝ ΚΑΙ ΤΗΝ ΨΥΧΗΝ.
Maintain your body and mind in good order.
4. ΦΙΛΗΚΟΟΝ ΕΙΝΑΙ ΚΑΙ ΜΗ ΠΟΛΥΛΑΛΟΝ.
Like to listen and not to say too much.
5. ΠΟΛΥΜΑΘΗ Η ΑΜΑΘΗ. It is best to know many things than to be ignorant.
6. ΓΛΩΣΣΑΝ ΕΥΦΗΜΟΝ ΚΕΚΤΗΣΘΑΙ. You should only speak in respectful terms.
7. ΑΡΕΤΗΣ ΟΙΚΕΙΟΝ (ΕΙΝΑΙ) ΚΑΚΙΑΣ ΑΛΛΟΤΡΙΟΝ.
Be a fiend to virtue, and a stranger to vice.
8. ΑΔΙΚΕΙΑΝ ΜΙΣΕΙΝ. Hate injustice.
9. ΕΥΣΕΒΕΙΑΝ ΦΥΛΑΣΣΕΙΝ. Be always respectful.
10. ΠΟΛΙΤΑΙΣ ΤΑ ΒΕΛΤΙΣΤΑ ΣΥΜΒΟΥΛΕΙΝ.
To your co-citizens always advise the best.
11. ΗΔΟΝΗΣ ΚΡΑΤΕΙΝ. Master pleasure.
12. ΒΙΑ ΜΗΔΕΝ ΠΡΑΤΤΕΙΝ. Never do anything with violence.



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13. ΤΕΚΝΑ ΠΑΙΔΕΥΕΙΝ. Educate your children.

14. ΤΥΧΗ ΕΥΧΕΣΘΑΙ. Pray to fortune.

15. ΕΧΘΡΑΣ ΔΙΑΛΥΕΙΝ. Destroy enmities.

16. ΤΟΝ ΤΟΥ ΔΗΜΟΥ ΕΧΘΡΟΝ ΠΟΛΕΜΙΟΝ ΝΟΜΙΖΕΙΝ.
Consider as your enemy the enemy of the people.

17. ΓΥΝΑΙΚΙ ΜΗ ΜΑΧΕΣΘΑΙ ΜΗΔΕ ΑΓΑΝ ΦΡΟΝΕΙΝ ΑΛΛΟΤΡΙΩΝ
ΠΑΡΟΝΤΩΝ ΤΟ ΜΕΝ ΓΑΡ ΑΝΟΙΑΝ, ΤΟ ΔΕ ΜΑΝΙΑΝ ΔΥΝΑΤΑΙ ΠΑΡΕΧΕΙΝ.
Do not fight with your wife and do not behave with arrogance in front of others. The first shows mainly stupidity, while the second may make others consider you to be a crazy man.

18. ΟΙΚΕΤΑΣ ΜΕΘΥΟΝΤΑΣ ΜΗ ΚΟΛΑΖΕΙΝ ΕΙ ΔΕ ΜΗ, ΔΟΣΕΙΣ ΠΑΡΟΙΝΕΙΝ.
Do not punish drunk slaves otherwise you will too seem to be drunk.

19. ΓΑΜΕΙΝ ΕΚ ΤΩΝ ΟΜΟΙΩΝ ΕΑΝ ΓΑΡ ΕΚ ΤΩΝ ΚΡΕΙΤΤΟΝΩΝ, ΔΕΣΠΟΤΑΣ,
ΟΥ ΣΥΓΓΕΝΕΙΣ ΚΤΗΣΗ.
Marry from your own social level because if the wife (or husband) is from a higher social level, you will acquire bosses, not relatives.

20. ΜΗ ΕΠΙΓΕΛΑ ΤΩ ΣΚΩΠΤΟΝΤΙ ΑΠΕΧΘΗΣ ΓΑΡ ΕΣΗ ΤΟΙΣ
ΣΚΩΠΤΟΜΕΝΟΙΣ
Do not laugh aloud when a man mocks others, because you will draw upon your self the hate of those who are been mocked.

21. ΕΞΥΠΟΡΟΥΝΤΑ ΜΗ ΥΠΕΡΗΦΑΝΟΝ ΕΙΝΑΙ, ΑΠΟΡΟΥΝΤΑ ΜΗ
ΤΑΠΕΙΝΟΥΣΘΑΙ.
If you are rich, do not feel proud. If you are poor, do not feel meek.

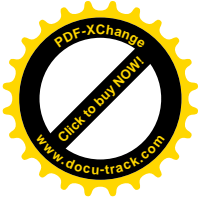
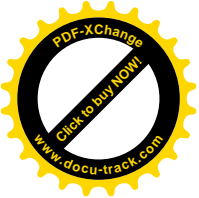
B.2. Quotations of Solon

The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

1. ΜΗΔΕΝ ΑΓΑΝ. Never exaggerate.

2. ΚΡΙΤΗΣ ΜΗ ΚΑΘΙΣΟ ΕΙ ΔΕ ΜΗ, ΤΩ ΛΗΦΘΕΝΤΙ ΕΧΘΡΟΣ ΕΣΗ.
Do not take the position of a judge, as in this case you will be hated by the condemned.

3. ΗΔΟΝΗΝ ΦΕΥΓΕ, ΗΤΙΣ ΛΥΠΗΝ ΤΙΚΤΕΙ
Avoid pleasure and joy that creates pain (physical or psychic)



4. ΦΥΛΑΣΣΕ ΤΡΟΠΟΥ ΚΑΛΟΚΑΓΑΘΙΑΝ ΟΡΚΟΥ ΠΙΣΤΟΤΕΡΑΝ.
Keep the politeness and goodness of your character more faithful than your oath.

5. ΣΦΡΑΓΙΖΟΥ ΤΟΥΣ ΜΕΝ ΛΟΓΟΥΣ ΣΙΓΗ, ΤΗΝ ΔΕ ΣΙΓΗΝ ΚΑΙΡΩ.
Seal up your words with silence, and your silence with the right timing.

6. ΜΗ ΨΕΥΔΟΥ, ΑΛΛ ΑΛΛΗΘΕΥΕ. Do not lie but tell the truth.

7. ΤΑ ΣΠΟΥΔΑΙΑ ΜΕΛΕΤΑ. Involve yourself with the serious and worthy things.

8. ΤΩΝ ΓΟΝΕΩΝ ΜΗ ΛΕΓΕ ΔΙΚΑΙΟΤΕΡΑ.
Do not claim to be more just than your parents.

9. ΦΙΛΟΥΣ ΜΗ ΤΑΧΥ ΚΤΩ, ΟΥΣ Δ' ΑΝ ΚΤΗΣΗ, ΜΗ ΤΑΧΥ ΑΠΟΔΟΚΙΜΑΖΕ.
Do not acquire friends quickly. When, however, you acquire them, do not reject them quickly.

10. ΑΡΧΕΣΘΑΙ ΜΑΘΩΝ, ΑΡΧΕΙΝ ΕΠΙΣΤΗΣΗ
Only when you learn how to be governed, you will know how to govern.

11. ΕΥΘΥΝΑΣ ΕΤΕΡΟΥΣ ΑΞΙΩΝ ΔΙΔΟΝΑΙ, ΚΑΙ ΑΥΤΟΣ ΥΠΕΧΕ.
If you ask others to justify their action, be eager to also do the same (justify your actions).

12. ΣΥΜΒΟΥΛΕΥΕ ΜΗ ΤΑ ΗΔΙΣΤΑ, ΑΛΛΑ ΤΑ ΒΕΛΤΙΣΤΑ.
Your advice should not be for the pleasurable, but for the best (or noblest).

13. ΤΟΙΣ ΠΟΛΙΤΑΙΣ ΜΗ ΘΡΑΣΥΝΟΥ. Do not be insolent towards your co-citizens.

14. ΜΗ ΚΑΚΟΙΣ ΟΜΙΛΕΙ. Do not associate with bad people.

15. ΧΡΩ ΤΟΙΣ ΘΕΟΙΣ. Do have relationships with Gods.

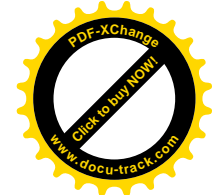
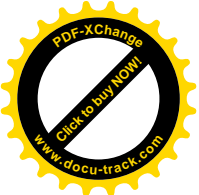
16. ΦΙΛΟΥΣ ΕΥΣΕΒΕΙ. Respect your friends.

17. Ο ΑΝ ΜΗ ΙΔΗΣ ΜΗ ΛΕΓΕ. If you don't see something, keep silent.

18. ΕΙΔΩΣ ΣΙΓΑ. Even if you know, keep silent.

19. ΤΟΙΣ ΕΑΥΤΟΥ ΠΡΑΟΣ ΙΣΘΙ. Be kind to your own people.

20. ΤΑ ΑΦΑΝΗ ΤΟΙΣ ΦΑΝΕΡΟΙΣ ΤΕΚΜΑΙΡΟΥ.
On the basis of the significant draw conclusions on the not significant.



B.3. Quotations of Chilon

The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

1. ΓΝΩΘΙ ΣΑΥΤΟΝ. Know yourself.
2. ΠΙΝΩΝ, ΜΗ ΠΟΛΛΑ ΛΑΛΕΙ ΑΜΑΡΤΗΣΗ ΓΑΡ.
When you drink alcohol, do not talk too much, you will make mistakes.
3. ΜΗ ΑΠΕΙΛΕΙ ΤΟΙΣ ΕΛΕΥΘΕΡΟΙΣ ΟΥ ΓΑΡ ΔΙΚΑΙΟΝ.
Do not offend free men, because it is not right.
4. ΜΗ ΚΑΚΟΛΟΓΕΙ ΤΟΥΣ ΠΛΗΣΙΟΝ ΕΙ ΔΕ ΜΗ, ΑΚΟΥΣΗ ΕΦ' ΟΙΣ
ΛΥΠΗΘΗΣΗ.
Do not slander your neighbours, for you are likely to hear things which make you unhappy.
5. ΕΠΙ ΤΑ ΔΕΙΠΝΑ ΤΩΝ ΦΙΛΩΝ ΒΡΑΔΕΩΣ ΠΟΡΕΥΟΥ, ΕΠΙ ΔΕ ΤΑΣ ΑΤΥΧΙΑΣ
ΤΑΧΕΩΣ.
Take your time during the dinners of your friends, while be quick during their unfortunate events.
6. ΓΑΜΟΥΣ ΕΥΤΕΛΕΙΣ ΠΟΙΟΥ. Your wedding should be simple.
7. ΤΟΝ ΤΕΤΕΛΕΥΤΗΚΟΤΑ ΜΑΚΑΡΙΖΕ. Bless the dead person.
8. ΠΡΕΣΒΥΤΕΡΟΝ ΣΕΒΟΥ. Respect your elders.
9. ΤΟΝ ΤΑ ΑΛΛΟΤΡΙΑ ΠΕΡΙΕΡΓΑΖΟΜΕΝΟΝ ΜΙΣΕΙ.
Hate the person who involved in the affairs of others.
10. ΖΗΜΙΑΝ ΑΙΡΟΥ ΜΑΛΛΟΝ Η ΚΕΡΔΟΣ ΑΙΣΧΡΟΝ. ΤΟ ΜΕΝ ΓΑΡ ΑΠΑΞ
ΛΥΠΗΣΕΙ, ΤΟ ΔΕ ΑΕΙ.
Prefer loss to shameful profit. The first will make you sad only once, while the other will worry you for ever.
11. ΤΩ ΔΥΣΤΥΧΟΥΝΤΙ ΜΗ ΕΠΙΓΕΛΑ.
Do not laugh at the person who is unfortunate.
12. ΤΡΑΧΕΣΙΝ ΗΣΥΧΟΝ ΣΕΑΥΤΟΝ ΠΑΡΕΧΕ, ΟΠΩΣ ΣΕ ΑΙΣΧΥΝΟΝΤΑΙ
ΜΑΛΛΟΝ, Η ΦΟΒΩΝΤΑΙ.



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Remain calm against rugged people, so that they are ashamed rather than feared of you.

13. ΤΗΣ ΙΔΙΑΣ ΟΙΚΙΑΣ ΠΡΟΣΤΑΤΕΙ. Govern and protect your family.

14. Η ΓΛΩΣΣΑ ΣΟΥ ΜΗ ΠΡΟΤΡΕΧΕΤΟ ΤΟΥ ΝΟΥ.

Do not allow your tongue to run ahead of your intellect.

15. ΘΥΜΟΥ ΚΡΑΤΕΙ. Control your anger.

16. ΜΗ ΕΠΙΘΥΜΕΙ ΑΔΥΝΑΤΑ. Do not desire things that cannot be acquired.

17. ΕΝ ΟΔΩ ΜΗ ΣΠΕΥΔΕ ΠΡΟΑΓΕΙΝ, ΜΗΔΕ ΤΗΝ ΧΕΙΡΑ ΚΙΝΕΙΝ ΜΑΝΙΚΟΝ ΓΑΡ.

Do not try to overpass people on the road nor make all kinds of hand gestures, this is done by the crazy people.

18. ΝΟΜΟΙΣ ΠΕΙΘΟΥ. Obey law.

19. ΑΔΙΚΟΥΜΕΝΟΣ ΔΙΑΛΛΑΣΣΟΥ, ΥΒΡΙΖΟΜΕΝΟΣ ΔΕ ΜΗ ΤΙΜΩΡΟΥ.

When they are unjust to you, be willing to reconcile, when they insult you, do not seek revenge.

B.4. Quotations of Thales

The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

1. ΕΓΓΥΑ, ΠΑΡΑ Δ' ΑΤΑ.

Do not give guarantees (on loans) as the misfortune is nearby.

2. ΦΙΛΩΝ ΠΑΡΟΝΤΩΝ ΚΑΙ ΑΠΟΝΤΩΝ ΜΕΜΝΗΣΟ

Remember your friends, both, when they are near you, as well as when they are far away.

3. ΜΗ ΤΗΝ ΟΨΙΝ ΚΑΛΛΩΠΙΖΟΥ, ΑΛΛ' ΕΝ ΤΟΙΣ ΕΠΙΤΗΔΕΥΜΑΣΙΝ ΙΣΘΙ ΚΑΛΟΣ.

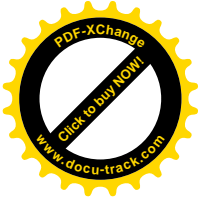
Do not beautify your external appearance, but you should look to become good in your behavior.

4. ΜΗ ΠΛΟΥΤΕΙ ΚΑΚΩΣ. Do not get rich in a bad way.

5. ΜΗ ΣΕ ΔΙΑΒΑΛΛΕΤΩ ΛΟΓΟΣ ΠΡΟΣ ΤΟΥΣ ΠΙΣΤΕΩΣ ΚΕΚΟΙΝΩΝΗΚΟΤΑΣ

Do not allow false accusations to influence you against persons that have earned your trust.

6. ΚΟΛΑΚΕΥΕΙΝ ΓΟΝΕΙΣ ΜΗ ΟΚΝΕΙ.



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Do not get tired in flattering and speaking well to your parents.

7. ΜΗ ΠΡΟΣΔΕΧΟΥ ΤΟ ΦΑΥΛΟΝ. Do not accept bad things.

8. ΟΙΟΥΣ ΑΝ ΕΡΑΝΟΥΣ ΕΝΕΓΚΗΣ ΤΟΙΣ ΓΟΝΕΥΣΙ, ΤΟΥΤΟΥΣ ΑΥΤΟΥΣ ΕΝ ΤΩ ΓΗΡΑ ΠΑΡΑ ΤΩΝ ΤΕΚΝΩΝ ΠΡΟΣΔΕΧΟΥ.

Whatever care you provide for your parents, the same you should expect to receive when you reach old age, by your children.

9. ΧΑΛΕΠΟΝ ΤΟ ΕΥ ΓΝΩΝΑΙ.

The correct judgment (or opinion) is a difficult thing.

10. ΗΔΙΣΤΟΝ ΤΟ ΕΠΙΘΥΜΙΑΣ ΤΥΧΕΙΝ.

The achievement of something desirable is a very pleasurable thing.

11. ΑΝΙΑΡΟΝ ΑΡΓΙΑ. Laziness is an ill-pleased thing.

12. ΒΛΑΒΕΡΟΝ ΑΚΡΑΣΙΑ. No being able to control yourself is a hurtful thing.

13. ΒΑΡΥ ΑΠΑΙΔΕΥΣΙΑ. Ignorance is a painful thing.

14. ΔΙΔΑΣΚΕ ΚΑΙ ΜΑΝΘΑΝΕ ΤΟ ΑΜΕΙΝΟΝ. Teach and learn the best.

15. ΑΡΓΟΣ ΜΗ ΙΣΘΙ, ΜΗΔ' ΑΝ ΠΛΟΥΤΗΣ. Do not be lazy, even if you are rich.

16. ΚΑΚΑ ΕΝ ΟΙΚΩ ΚΡΥΠΤΕ. Hide bad things in your home.

17. ΦΘΟΝΟΥ ΜΑΛΛΟΝ Η ΟΙΚΤΕΙΡΟΥ.

It is better if they hate you than if they feel sorrow for you.

18. ΜΕΤΡΩ ΧΡΩ. Regulate your life according to a standard.

19. ΜΗ ΠΑΣΙ ΠΙΣΤΕΥΕ. Do not trust all people.

20. ΑΡΧΩΝ ΚΟΣΜΕΙ ΣΕΑΥΤΟΝ.

When you rule as a chief, you should adorn yourself.

B.5. Quotations of Pittacos

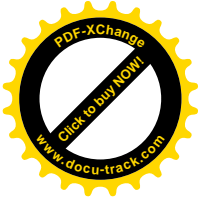
The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

1. ΚΑΙΡΟΝ ΓΝΩΘΙ. Learn to judge the right moment

2. Ο ΜΕΛΛΕΙΣ ΠΟΙΕΙΝ, ΜΗ ΛΕΓΕ ΑΠΟΤΥΧΩΝ ΓΑΡ ΚΑΤΑΓΕΛΛΑΣΘΗΣΗ.

Don't say what you intend to do, because if you don't succeed, everyone will laugh at you

3. ΤΟΙΣ ΕΠΙΤΗΔΕΙΟΙΣ ΧΡΩ. Listen to your friends



4. ΟΣΑ ΝΕΜΕΣΑΣ ΤΩ ΠΛΗΣΙΟΝ, ΑΥΤΟΣ ΜΗ ΠΟΙΕΙ.

Don't do yourself, what you don't like in others

5. ΚΑΚΟΠΡΑΓΟΥΝΤΑ ΜΗ ΟΝΕΙΔΙΖΕ ΕΠΙ ΓΑΡ ΤΟΥΤΟΙΣ ΝΕΜΕΣΙΣ ΘΕΩΝ ΚΑΘΗΤΑΙ.

Don't blame someone who is being unfortunate. These are things that provoke the anger and punishment by Gods

6. ΠΑΡΑΚΡΑΤΗΘΗΚΕ ΑΠΟΔΟΣ.

Return goods that have been entrusted to you

7. ΑΝΕΧΟΥ ΥΠΟ ΤΩΝ ΠΛΗΣΙΟΝ ΜΙΚΡΑ ΕΛΑΤΤΟΥΜΕΝΟΣ.

Show tolerance to small damages inflicted upon you by your neighbors

8. ΤΟΝ ΦΙΛΟΝ ΚΑΚΩΣ ΜΗ ΛΕΓΕ, ΜΗΔ' ΕΥ ΤΟΝ ΕΧΘΡΟΝ ΑΣΥΛΛΟΓΙΣΤΟΝ ΓΑΡ ΤΟ ΤΟΙΟΥΤΟΝ.

Don't slander your friend, nor praise your enemy because such a thing is unreasonable

9. ΔΕΙΝΟΝ ΣΥΝΙΔΕΙΝ ΤΟ ΜΕΛΛΟΝ, ΑΣΦΑΛΕΣ ΤΟ ΓΕΝΟΜΕΝΟΝ.

It is difficult to foresee the future what has already happened is the only certain thing

10. ΠΙΣΤΟΝ ΓΗ, ΑΠΙΣΤΟΝ ΘΑΛΑΣΣΑ.

Land is trustworthy, while sea is untrustworthy

11. ΑΠΛΗΣΤΟΝ ΚΕΡΔΟΣ. Profit is greedy

12. ΚΤΗΣΑΙ ΑΙΔΙΑ: ΕΥΣΕΒΕΙΑΝ, ΠΑΙΔΕΙΑΝ, ΣΩΦΡΟΣΥΝΗΝ, ΦΡΟΝΗΣΙΝ, ΑΛΗΘΕΙΑΝ, ΠΙΣΤΙΝ, ΕΜΠΕΙΡΙΑΝ, ΕΠΙΔΕΞΙΟΤΗΤΑ, ΕΤΑΙΡΕΙΑΝ, ΕΠΙΜΕΛΕΙΑΝ, ΟΙΚΟΝΟΜΙΑΝ, ΤΕΧΝΗΝ.

Acquire what is not destroyed by time: piety, education, prudence, thoughtful mind, truth, belief, expense, skills and dexterities, co-operation, care, effective management, professional knowledge.

B.6. Quotations of Bias

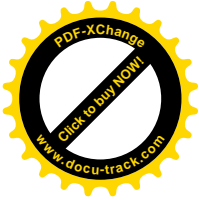
The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

1. ΟΙ ΠΛΕΙΣΤΟΙ ΑΝΘΡΩΠΟΙ ΚΑΚΟΙ.

Most people are bad people

2. ΕΣ ΤΟ ΕΣΟΠΤΡΟΝ ΕΦΗ ΕΜΒΛΕΨΑΝΤΑ ΔΕΙ, ΕΙ ΜΕΝ ΚΑΛΟΣ ΦΑΙΝΗ, ΚΑΛΑ ΠΟΙΕΙΝ, ΕΙ ΔΕ ΑΙΣΧΡΟΣ, ΤΟ ΤΗΣ ΦΥΣΕΩΣ ΕΛΛΙΠΕΣ ΔΙΟΡΘΟΥΣΑΙ ΤΗ ΚΑΛΟΚΑΓΑΘΙΑ.

Look into your mirror, and if you look nice, you must do nice things if, however, you look ugly, you must correct your physical deficiency with politeness and goodness



3.ΒΡΑΔΕΩΣ ΕΓΧΕΙΡΕΙ Ο Δ' ΑΝ ΑΡΕΗ, ΔΙΑΒΕΒΑΙΟΥ.

Do not be in a hurry to undertake something. When, however, you start, stay fixed to that until the end

4.ΜΙΣΕΙ ΤΟ ΤΑΧΥ ΛΑΛΕΙΝ, ΜΗ ΑΜΑΡΤΗΣ ΜΑΤΑΝΟΙΑ ΓΑΡ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΕΙ.

Hate to talk in haste as there is the fear of making mistakes, in which case, asking for forgiveness follows

5.ΜΗΤ' ΕΥΗΘΗΣ ΙΣΘΙ, ΜΗΤΕ ΚΑΚΟΗΘΗΣ.

Do not be a naïve benevolent man, not a malicious man

6.ΑΦΡΟΣΥΝΗΝ ΜΗ ΠΡΟΣΔΕΧΟΥ. Do not accept thoughtlessness

7.ΦΡΟΝΗΣΙΝ ΑΓΑΠΑ. Love practical wisdom

8.ΠΕΡΙ ΘΕΩΝ ΛΕΓΕ, ΩΣ ΕΙΣΙ ΘΕΟΙ. You should state that Gods exist

9.ΝΟΕΙ ΤΟ ΠΡΑΤΤΟΜΕΝΟΝ. Understand what has been achieved

10.ΑΚΟΥΕ ΠΟΛΛΑ. Listen to everything

11.ΛΑΛΕΙ ΚΑΙΡΙΑ. Speak at the exact moment that is most appropriate

12.ΠΕΝΗΣ ΩΝ ΠΛΟΥΣΙΟΙΣ ΜΗ ΕΠΙΤΙΜΑ, ΗΝ ΜΗ ΜΕΓΑ ΩΦΕΛΗΣ.

If you are poor, do not accuse the rich, unless you benefit much everyone

13.ΑΝΑΞΙΟΝ ΑΝΔΡΑ ΜΗ ΕΠΑΙΝΕΙ ΔΙΑ ΠΛΟΥΤΟΝ.

Do not praise the rich man, if he has no values

14.ΠΕΙΣΑΣ ΛΑΒΕ, ΜΗ ΒΙΑΣΑΜΕΝΟΣ. Take with persuasion, not with violence

15.ΟΤΙ ΑΝ ΑΓΑΘΟΝ ΠΡΑΣΣΗΣ, ΘΕΟΥΣ ΜΗ ΣΕΑΥΤΟΝ ΑΙΤΙΩ.

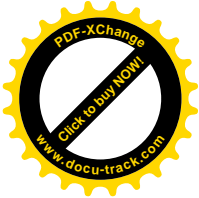
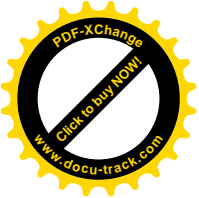
Thank Gods for whatever good comes your way, not yourself

16.ΚΤΗΣΑΙ ΕΝ ΜΕΝ ΝΕΟΤΗΤΙ ΕΥΠΡΑΞΙΑΝ, ΕΝ ΔΕ ΤΩ ΓΗΡΑ ΣΟΦΙΑΝ.

Pursue the means, while young, for a plentiful life, and wisdom, when you reach old age

17.ΕΞΕΙΣ ΕΡΓΩ ΜΝΗΜΗΝ, ΚΑΙΡΩ ΕΥΛΑΒΕΙΑΝ, ΤΡΟΠΩ ΓΕΝΝΑΙΟΤΗΤΑ,
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ΣΙΓΗ ΚΟΣΜΟΝ, ΓΝΩΜΗ ΔΙΚΑΙΟΣΥΝΗΝ, ΤΟΛΜΗ ΑΝΔΡΕΙΑΝ, ΠΡΑΞΕΙ
ΔΥΝΑΣΤΕΙΑΝ, ΔΟΞΗ ΗΓΕΜΟΝΙΑΝ.

You will be remembered well by your good deeds,
you will become more pious with the passing of time,
you will be more brave, with your behaviour,
you will be more self-controlled, by working hard,
you will have more respect, by instilling fear,
you will have more friends, by becoming richer,

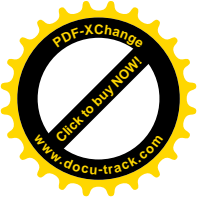


you will be more persuasive, by exercising reason,
you will be looking better, by using silence,
you will be more just, by using intellect,
you will be more courageous, by showing valour,
you will be more powerful, by your achievements,
you will attain authority, by your good name.

B.7. Quotations of Periandros

The quotations, according to various sources, attributed to him, were the following:

1. ΜΕΛΕΤΗ ΤΟ ΠΑΝ. Exercising is the best thing
2. ΚΑΛΟΝ ΗΣΥΧΙΑ ΕΠΙΣΦΑΛΕΣ ΠΡΟΠΕΤΕΙΑ.
To be quiet is a nice thing, to be arrogant and abusive, a dangerous one
3. ΚΕΡΔΟΣ ΑΙΣΧΡΟΝ. Profit is shameful
4. ΔΗΜΟΚΡΑΤΙΑ ΚΡΕΙΤΤΟΝ ΤΥΡΑΝΝΙΔΟΣ.
Democracy is better than the power of tyrant
5. ΑΙ ΜΕΝ ΗΔΟΝΑΙ ΘΝΗΤΑΙ, ΑΙ ΔΕ ΑΡΕΤΑΙ ΑΘΑΝΑΤΟΙ.
Mischievous pleasures are mortal, while virtues are immortal
6. ΕΥΤΥΧΩΝ ΜΕΝ ΜΕΤΡΙΟΣ ΙΣΘΙ, ΑΤΥΧΩΝ ΔΕ ΦΡΟΝΙΜΟΣ.
When you are happy, be modest, when you are unhappy, be sensible
7. ΦΕΙΔΟΜΕΝΟΝ ΚΡΕΙΤΤΟΝ, ΑΠΟΘΑΝΕΙΝ Η ΖΩΝΤΑ ΕΝΔΕΙΣΘΑΙ.
If one is to live in a thrifty manner, it is best to die rather than live in need.
8. ΣΕΑΥΤΟΝ ΑΞΙΟΝ ΠΑΡΑΣΚΕΥΑΖΕ ΤΩΝ ΓΟΝΕΩΝ
Take care to make yourself worthy of your parents
9. ΖΩΝ ΜΕΝ ΕΠΑΙΝΟΥ, ΑΠΟΘΑΝΩΝ ΔΕ ΜΑΚΑΡΙΖΟΥ.
While you live, they should praise you when you die, then should speak well for you
10. ΦΙΛΟΙΣ ΕΥΤΥΧΟΥΣΟΙ ΚΑΙ ΑΤΥΧΟΥΣΙΝ Ο ΑΥΤΟΣ ΙΣΘΙ.
Treat your friends the same way, and in their good times, and in their misfortunes
11. ΟΝ ΑΝ ΕΚΩΣ ΟΜΟΛΟΓΗΣΗΣ ΠΟΝΗΡΟΝ, ΠΑΡΑΒΑΙΝΕ.
Bypass whoever you personally feel as bad
12. ΛΟΓΩΝ ΑΠΟΡΡΗΤΩΝ ΕΚΦΟΡΑΝ ΜΗ ΠΟΙΟΥ.
Do not share with others secrets entrusted to you.
13. ΛΟΙΔΟΡΟΥ ΩΣ ΤΑΧΥ ΦΙΛΟΣ ΕΣΟΜΕΝΟΣ.



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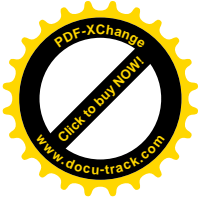
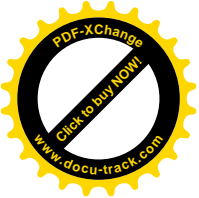
Abuse the other person on the basis that you will quickly become his friend

14.ΤΟΙΣ ΜΕΝ ΝΟΜΟΙΣ ΠΑΛΑΙΟΙΣ ΧΡΩ, ΤΟΙΣ Δ' ΟΨΟΙΣ ΠΡΟΣΦΑΤΟΙΣ.
Your laws should be old, your dinners fresh

15.ΜΗ ΜΟΝΟΝ ΤΟΥΣ ΑΜΑΡΤΑΝΟΝΤΑΣ ΚΟΛΑΖΕ, ΑΛΛΑ ΚΑΙ ΤΟΥΣ
ΜΕΛΛΟΝΤΑΣ ΚΩΛΥΕ.

Do not be happy by punishing those who commit errors, but you should also hinder those who are willing to commit them

16.ΔΥΣΤΥΧΩΝ ΚΡΥΠΤΕ, ΙΝΑ ΜΗ ΤΟΥΣ ΕΧΘΡΟΥΣ ΕΥΦΡΑΝΗΣ.
Hide your misfortune, so that you do not give joy to your enemies



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