

VIRTUE & TRUTH

FIAT VITA BONA ET VIRTUOSA

The theologians enjoin us to value the eternal life over everything else. Hence, rather than enjoy life and help enjoy it, they prepare ^{us} for death, which they hope will be succeeded by after-life. On the other hand the moral vitalists and pragmatists invite us to value life over all, if necessary at the cost of truth: Fiat vita, pereat veritas! The hedonists proclaim Fiat vita bona! The deontologists enjoin us to value virtue, in particular duty: they cry Fiat virtus, pereat vita! (Some of them, the more politically minded or bellicose, chose ~~some~~ such slogan as Freedom or death.) None of them seeks the individual and social good, the good and righteous life, which is on the other hand the goal of agathonism. The latter has a slogan but not a battle cry: Fiat vita bona et virtuosa!

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