

The Delphic Maxims

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SEC: The Three Inscribed at the Entrance

MAX: Know thyself.

MAX: Nothing in excess.

MAX: Pledge a surety, and ruin is near.

SEC: The One Hundred Forty-Seven of the Seven Sages

MAX: Follow the gods.

MAX: Obey the law.

MAX: Revere the gods.

MAX: Respect your parents.

MAX: Be ruled by justice.

MAX: Know what you have learned.

MAX: Perceive what you have heard.

MAX: Be yourself.

MAX: Intend to marry.

MAX: Know the right moment.

MAX: Think mortal thoughts.

MAX: When a stranger, behave as one.

MAX: Honor the hearth.

MAX: Rule yourself.

MAX: Help your friends.

MAX: Master your temper.

MAX: Practice prudence.

MAX: Honor foresight.

MAX: Do not use an oath.

MAX: Love friendship.

MAX: Cling to discipline.

MAX: Pursue honor.

MAX: Long for wisdom.

MAX: Praise the good.

MAX: Find fault with no one.

MAX: Praise virtue.

MAX: Practice what is just.

MAX: Be kind to friends.

MAX: Ward off enemies.

MAX: Cultivate nobility of character.

MAX: Shun evil.

MAX: Be sociable.

MAX: Guard what is yours.

MAX: Keep off what belongs to others.

MAX: Listen to everyone.

MAX: Be reverent in speech.

MAX: Do a friend a favor.

MAX: Nothing in excess.

MAX: Spend time wisely.

MAX: Look to what is coming.

MAX: Despise insolence.

MAX: Respect the suppliant.

MAX: Suit yourself to all.

MAX: Educate your sons.

MAX: Give of what you have.

MAX: Beware of cunning.

MAX: Speak well of everyone.

MAX: Become a seeker of wisdom.

MAX: Discern what is holy.

MAX: Act once you know.

MAX: Refrain from killing.

MAX: Pray for what is possible.

MAX: Consult the wise.

MAX: Test the character.

MAX: Return what you have received.

MAX: Look down on no one.

MAX: Use your skill.

MAX: Do what you mean to do.

MAX: Honor a kindness.

MAX: Envy no one.

MAX: Stand on your guard.

MAX: Praise hope.

MAX: Despise a slanderer.

MAX: Acquire justly.

MAX: Honor the good.

MAX: Know the judge.

MAX: Master your wedding feasts.

MAX: Recognize fortune.

MAX: Flee from a pledge.

MAX: Speak plainly.

MAX: Keep company with your peers.

MAX: Govern your expenses.

MAX: Take pleasure in what you have.

MAX: Revere a sense of shame.

MAX: Carry out a favor.

MAX: Pray for happiness.

MAX: Be content with your lot.

MAX: Observe what you have heard.

MAX: Work for what is worth keeping.

MAX: Hate strife.

MAX: Detest disgrace.

MAX: Hold your tongue.

MAX: Guard against insolence.

MAX: Judge justly.

MAX: Use what you have.

MAX: Judge incorruptibly.

MAX: Accuse the one present.

MAX: Speak when you know.

MAX: Do not rely on force.

MAX: Live without grief.

MAX: Converse gently.

MAX: Finish the race without flinching.

MAX: Treat everyone kindly.

MAX: Do not curse your sons.

MAX: Rule your wife.

MAX: Do good to yourself.

MAX: Be approachable.

MAX: Answer in good time.

MAX: Toil for honor.

MAX: Act so as not to regret it.

MAX: When you err, repent.

MAX: Master the eye.

MAX: Take counsel in time.

MAX: Act decisively.

MAX: Guard your friendships.

MAX: Be grateful.

MAX: Pursue concord.

MAX: Keep secret what should be kept.

MAX: Fear the ruling power.

MAX: Hunt for what is profitable.

MAX: Wait for the right moment.

MAX: Dissolve enmities.

MAX: Accept old age.

MAX: Do not boast of your strength.

MAX: Practice reverent speech.

MAX: Flee from hatred.

MAX: Grow rich justly.

MAX: Do not abandon honor.

MAX: Hate evil.

MAX: Take risks prudently.

MAX: Never tire of learning.

MAX: Never cease to save.

MAX: Wonder at oracles.

MAX: Love those you rear.

MAX: Do not quarrel with the absent.

MAX: Respect the elder.

MAX: Teach the younger.

MAX: Mistrust wealth.

MAX: Have self-respect.

MAX: Do not be the first to insult.

MAX: Crown your ancestors.

MAX: Die for your country.

MAX: Do not be discontented with life.

MAX: Do not laugh at the dead.

MAX: Share the load of the unfortunate.

MAX: Give without harming.

MAX: Do not grieve for everything.

MAX: Beget from a noble line.

MAX: Make promises to no one.

MAX: Do not wrong the dead.

MAX: Endure well, as a mortal.

MAX: Do not trust fortune.

MAX: As a child, be well-behaved.

MAX: As a youth, be self-controlled.

MAX: In middle age, be just.

MAX: In old age, be reasonable.

MAX: At the end, be free from sorrow.