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## Abstract:

One of the most important issues in ancient Greek philosophical thinking was the definition of the good life. From the debates around this subject emerged the most influential concepts of well-being and happiness until nowadays: hedone and eudaimonia. Aristotle's conceptualization of well-being as a multidimensional concept is mostly influential for the quality of the research. This paper is mainly concerned with how the ancient Greek authors conceive the relationship between personal and societal happiness, which is still a matter of dispute in these days. The prevailing opinion was that the personal eudaimonia had a relative autonomy against the societal eudaimonia. Nevertheless, the argument that in their thinking there was no strong difference between theoretical and practical ethics, and the happiness of the society is far more than the aggregate of the individual happiness is not completely rejected.