

# Liberty, Vice, Virtue, and Self-Discipline

If your liberty makes you lustful, gluttonous, greedy, indolent, angry, envious or boastful, then the problem is with you, not with liberty. It is not the fault of your tools that you break them, and it is not the fault of your gifts that you waste them. The role of liberty is not to make you good, but to allow you to be good: you can be free and bad, but you cannot be unfree and good. So, by all means, fight against your vices, but never be so unreasonable as to attack the very thing that allows you to confront them in the first place.